Mission Statement of Midway Presbyterian Church

Our purpose is to call people into a living and growing relationship with God in Jesus Christ with the help of the Holy Spirit, and to promote the mission of Christ in compassionate ministries.

We intend to be a welcoming and caring church - a church family that nurtures a sense of community and belonging. We want young and old to join us in the Christian pilgrimage as sojourners in the great adventure of faith.

The Church Staff

Mrs. Roz Rozakos Mrs. Beth Croft Ms. Cindy Wentzky Mrs. LeNelle Chastain Mr. Will Greer Choir Director Pianist Media Specialist Secretary Staff Assistant

<u>Session</u>

<u>Class of 2025</u> Dee Ashworth Marilyn Martin Amy Morris <u>Class of 2026</u> Bob Bone Roz Rozakos Kent Saunders

John Dodwell Chrissie Saunders (Clerk)

Class of 2027

<u>Treasurers</u>

John Dodwell Linda Mylod Disbursing Treasurer Receiving Treasurer

Parish Nurse

Ginny Keiper

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MIDWAY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Worship Service February 23, 2025 10:30 a.m.

Established 1833

"Her sins, which were many, have been forgiven; hence she has shown great love." ~~Luke 7:47

The Service For the Lord's Day Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

The Gathering

Prelude	Mrs. Beth Croft
Introit	The Choir
 Chiming of the Hour	
Greeting	Elder John Dodwell
Announcements	
Jar Offering	Clean Start

Responsive Call to Worship

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord all the lands! People: Serve the Lord with gladness! Leader: Come into God's presence with singing!

People: Enter the courts of the Lord with praise!

Leader: Beloved let us love one another, for love is of God.

People: All who do not love do not know God, for God is love.

Unison: Let us worship God in spirit and in Truth!

Opening Prayer

*Hymn #11

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

*Call to Confession

*Unison Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, you love us, but we do not love you fully. You call, but we do not always listen. We often walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped in our own concerns. We often condone evil, hatred, warfare, and greed. God of grace, help us to admit our sin, so that as you move toward us in mercy, we may repent, turn to you, and receive forgiveness. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer we pray. Now hear us as we offer our own confessions in the silence...Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

*Passing the Peace

Pastor: The peace of God be with you. People: And also with you.

*Gloria Patri

The Word				
Prayer of Illumination				
The Epistle Reading	Romans 5:1-8			
Anthem	"Love Lifted Me"	The Choir		
The Gospel Reading	Luke 7:36-50			
Leader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.				

Sermon	"Extravagant Love"	Rev. David Bailey	
Responding to the Word			
*Hymn #606	"O Love That Will Not Let Me Go"		

*Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I BELIEVE in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory Prayer The Offertory Music *The Doxology

The Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

The Sending

"Just as I Am" *Charge and Blessing

*Choral Benediction #662 "With All My Heart"

With all my heart I want to love You, Lord, And live my life each day to know You more. All that is in me is Yours completely; I'll serve You only, with all my heart.

*Postlude

*Hvmn #488

(*Please stand in body or spirit.)



The Lovely Flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given by Ray and Ginny Keiper to the Glory of God and in honor of their 56th wedding anniversary, February 22nd.

February 23, 2025

Calendar of Activities and Upcoming Events

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK				
Sunday	Sunday School	9:30 a.m.		
	Morning Worship	10:30 a.m.		
Mon.	Scouts	5:00 p.m.		
Tues.	Legacy Academy	8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.		
Wed.	Lunch Bunch @The Coach House Restaurant	12:30 p.m.		
Thurs.	Legacy Academy	8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.		

On Call: Elder: John Dodwell 864-933-5144				
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LeNelle's e-mail: <u>lenelle@midwaypres.org</u>				

Those Servi	ng Our Church
<u>Elder</u>	Head Usher
John Dodwell	Amy Morris

Sunday School Secretaries Today: Bob Bone Next Week: Amy Morris This Week's Birthdays February 23 Bill Rexroad 24 Brenda Stamps <u>This Week's Anniversary</u> March 1 Tom & Terry Waddell

Announcements

Visitors, please fill out the orange cards in the pew rack so we will have a record of your attendance. **The yellow cards** in the pew rack are for prayer requests, etc. Please place completed cards in the Offering Plate.

Our Jar Offering for February will go to Clean Start of Anderson. This ministry serves the homeless, poor, and marginalized of our community in providing facilities for basic hygiene, cleanliness, mail and phone access, and providing direction to other needed services.

We welcome Rev. David Bailey to our Worship service today.

The Lunch Bunch will meet on Wednesday, February 26, at 12:30 p.m. at The Coach House Restaurant, 127 E. Shockley Ferry Rd. Make plans to join us for a time of fellowship and good food.

The Session will hold its regular monthly meeting next Sunday in the Church Office Activity Room following Worship.

A Special Ash Wednesday Service will be held in the sanctuary at noon on March 5 (the first day of Lent). Everyone will be invited to receive the Imposition of Ashes.