

**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.



*Established 1833*

**MIDWAY PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH**

**Worship Service**

**March 2, 2025**

**10:30 a.m.**

**The Church Staff**

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

**Session**

<u>Class of 2025</u>	<u>Class of 2026</u>	<u>Class of 2027</u>
Dee Ashworth	Bob Bone	John Dodwell
Marilyn Martin	Roz Rozakos	Chrissie Saunders (Clerk)
Amy Morris	Kent Saunders	

*Then from the cloud came a voice that said,  
"This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!"  
~~Luke 9:35*

**Treasurers**

John Dodwell	Disbursing Treasurer
Linda Mylod	Receiving Treasurer

**Parish Nurse**

Ginny Keiper

**The Service For the Lord's Day**  
*Transfiguration of the Lord*

**The Gathering**

<b>Prelude</b>	Mrs. Beth Croft
<b>Introit</b>	The Choir
<b>Chiming of the Hour</b>	
<b>Greeting</b>	Elder Roz Rozakos
<b>Announcements</b>	
<b>Jar Offering</b>	Calvary Home for Children

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## Responsive Call to Worship

Leader: Come to the mountain, all God's people;  
leave all else behind to reach out to the Eternal.

**People: How shall we climb the mountain while weighed down with cares?**

Leader: In Christ, God brings the mountaintop to us and meets us,  
even in the depths of despair.

**People: We see a lamp shining in a dark place  
and the morning star rises in our hearts.**

Leader: Pay attention to the signs through which God speaks; they are everywhere,

**People: The dazzling splendor of God is real, even to those who are blind.**

Leader: Like a devouring fire, the spirit sweeps through our midst  
and we are transformed.

**Unison: Let us come without fear, open to all God has in store for us.**

## Opening Prayer

\*Hymn #33 *"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"*

\*Call to Confession

\*Unison Prayer of Confession

**God of mercy, in Jesus we behold your transforming light, yet we continue to live in darkness. Preoccupied, we fail to see your work in the world. We speak when we should listen; we turn away when we should act. Empower us to live in your light and to walk in your ways for the sake of him who is the light of the world, Jesus Christ. 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 First Scripture Reading** Exodus 34:29-35

**Anthem** *"I Believe in a Hill Called Mount Calvary"* The Choir

**The Second Scripture Reading** Luke 9:28-36

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## Sermon

*"Changed"*

Rev. Peggy Swann

## Responding to the Word

\*Affirmation of Faith *Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.15*

**God's sovereign love is a mystery beyond the reach of the human mind. Human thought ascribes to God superlatives of power, wisdom, and goodness. But God reveals divine love in Jesus Christ by showing power in the form of a servant, wisdom in the folly of the cross, and goodness in receiving sinful men and women. The power of God's love in Christ to transform the world discloses that the Redeemer is the Lord and Creator who made all things to serve the purpose of God's love.**

## Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory Prayer

\*Doxology

\*Communion Hymn (See Insert) *"Rise, O Church, Like Christ Arisen"*

## The Sacrament of Holy Communion

The Invitation

The Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer

Pastor: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts. **People: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**Unison: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

The Words of Institution

The Sharing of the Bread and the Cup

## Unison Prayer after Communion

**Holy God, we give you thanks for the light of the world, Jesus Christ. United in this sacrament, send us out and let us work for the glory of your kingdom here on earth. Amen.**

## The Sending

\*Hymn #431 *"Shine, Jesus, Shine"*

\*Charge and Blessing

\*Choral Benediction #557 *"Seekers of Your Heart"*

*Lord, we want to know You, Live our lives to show You All the love we owe You –  
We're seekers of Your heart, Seekers of Your heart..*

\*Postlude *(\*Please stand in body or spirit.)*

March 2, 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.
	Session Meeting	
Mon.	Scouts	5:00 p.m.
Tues.	Legacy Academy	8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Wed.	Ash Wednesday Service	Noon
Thurs.	Legacy Academy	8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

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**Those Serving Our Church**

**Elder**

Roz Rozakos

**Head Usher**

Linda Mylod

**Sunday School Secretaries**

Today: Amy Morris Next Week: Linda Mylod

**This Week's Birthday**

March 2 Ann Bowen

**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 the first four Sundays in March will go to Calvary Home for Children whose goal is to build an exceptional community of nurturing foster homes for displaced children in the Upstate.

Our Fifth Sunday Jar Offering will be to Blue Dragonfly which provides hope to juvenile victims of human trafficking.

**The Session** will meet today 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.

**This month** as we celebrate, by way of our Jar offerings, all that Calvary Home does by fostering and protecting children throughout the years, we can also help by donating some of the staples that they use/need on a regular basis. Flour, sugar (2# boxes or 5# bags), pastas, jars or cans of tomato sauce, rice, beans, and chicken or beef broth are always needed and will be collected throughout the month.