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

### <u>Session</u>

<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	

# **Treasurers**

John Dodwell	Disbursing Treasurer
Linda Mylod	Receiving Treasurer

# Parish Nurse

Ginny Keiper

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# Established 1833

# MIDWAY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Worship Service March 16, 2025 10:30 a.m.

"For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God not by works, so that no one can boast." ~~Ephesians 2: 8-9

# The Service For the Lord's Day

Second Sunday in Lent

### **The Gathering**

Prelude Mrs. Beth Croft
Introit The Choir

**Chiming of the Hour** 

Greeting Elder Dee Ashworth

Announcements

**Jar Offering** Calvary Home for Children

## **Responsive Call to Worship**

Leader: Once we lived in darkness;

People: now, in the Lord we are light.

Leader: Jesus said: I am The light of the world. Unison: Let us live as children of the light.

# **Opening Prayer**

\*Hymn #224 "We Have Come into His House"

\*Call to Confession

# \*Unison Prayer of Confession

God of great mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you. We look at outward appearances and fail to see what pleases you. We look with judgment on others and fail to see our own sin. Forgive us with your steadfast love. Create a clean heart within us, teach us your holy way, and restore the joy of salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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 Scripture Reading** Ephesians 2:1-10

Leader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.** 

**Anthem** "We'll Soon Be Done With Troubles"

The Choir

**Sermon** "Truly Amazing" Rev. Mel Davis

# **Responding to the Word**

\*Hymn #506

"I'd Rather Have Jesus"

\*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

\*Hymn #415

"We Are Called to Be God's People"

\*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 16, 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.	
Tues.	Legacy Academy	8:00  a.m. - 2:00  p.m.	
Wed.	Lenten Service	11:00 a.m.	
Thurs.	Legacy Academy	8:00  a.m. - 2:00  p.m.	
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On Call: Elder: Dee Ashworth 864-309-6143			
Church Office: 864-226-1880			
LeNelle's e-mail: <u>lenelle@midwaypres.org</u>			

# **Those Serving Our Church**

Elder Head Usher
Dee Ashworth Tom Waddell

## **Sunday School Secretaries**

Today: Sammy Stevenson Next Week: Bob Bone

# This Week's Birthdays March 19 Linda Spoerry 20 Bob Harrell

#### **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.

We welcome Rev. & Mrs. Mel Davis to our Worship service today.

**Meals On Wheels is inviting** people who might be interested in volunteering as Route drivers to attend their Community Champions Breakfast Tuesday, March 18th, being held at their office at 105 S. Fant Street, from 9:30 until 11:00. We can always use more drivers on Route 15.

### **Note Correction** on Day and Time of Lenten Service

On <u>Wednesday</u>, March 19, at **11:00 a.m**., Midway will host a Lenten FACE-UP Service. A lunch will follow in the Fellowship Hall.

**Newsletter Deadline.** If you have items for the April Newsletter, please give them to LeNelle by Friday, March 21, 2025.

**A Memorial Service** for Elnor Harrell will be held at Midway on Sunday, March 23, at 2:00 p.m.

### Informational meeting on the round-a-bouts on Midway Road.

On Wednesday, March 26, at 6:00 p.m. Tyke Redfearn, SCDOT Project Manager for the round-a-bouts will meet with us in the Fellowship Hall to give us information and updates on the project.

**Thank You**. "Dear Midway Church Family, Thank you for all the birthday wishes. Your thoughtfulness and kind words are greatly appreciated. Love in Christ, LeNelle."

**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.

# **Easter Lilies**

If you would like to purchase an Easter Lily (for \$7.00) as a memorial or honorarium to be placed in the church on Easter Sunday, April 20<sup>th</sup>, Please fill out the form and return it to the church office or drop in offering plate along with payment. Payment MUST be included with request (make checks payable to Midway Presbyterian Church) and returned by Sunday. April 6<sup>th</sup>. Lilies are to be taken with you after the Worship service on Sunday, April 20<sup>th</sup>.

Number of Lilies:	Amount Paid:
In Honor of:	
In Memory of:	
Given By:	

