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

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	

Treasurers

John Dodwell	Disbursing Treasurer
Linda Mylod	Receiving Treasurer

Parish Nurse

Ginny Keiper

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Established 1833

Worship Service

March 23, 2025

MIDWAY PRESBYTERIAN

CHURCH

10:30 a.m.

"In reply Jesus declared, 'I tell you the truth, no one can see the kingdom of God unless he is born again.""

~~John 3:3

The Service For the Lord's Day

Third Sunday in Lent

The Gathering

Prelude Mrs. Beth Croft

Introit The Choir

Chiming of the Hour

Greeting Elder Bob Bone

Announcements

Jar Offering Calvary Home for Children

Responsive Call to Worship

Leader; You, God, are my God, earnestly I seek you; I thirst for you, **People:** my whole being longs for you, as in a dry and parched land

where there is no water.

Leader: I have seen you in the sanctuary and beheld your power and your glory.

People: Because your love is better than life, my lips will glorify you.

Leader: I will praise you as long as I live, and in your name I will lift up my hands.

People: I will be fully satisfied as with the richest of foods;

with singing lips my mouth will praise you.

Leader: On my bed I remember you; I think of you through the watches of the night.

Unison: I cling to you; your right hand upholds me.

Opening Prayer

*Hymn #175

"O Lord, Our Lord"

*Call to Confession

*Unison Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, Our sin lies before us like a wall, creating a barrier between us and you. Yet, we continue to build; each stone representing faithlessness, unkindness, malice and greed. The wall is as endless as our sin. O God, break down the barriers. Forgive our sin; dismantle hate and violence, envy and oppression. Give us the vision to see beyond the barriers that we have created, and help us, by your Spirit, to be builders of peace, not war; of love, not prejudice. Grant that we might always build on the cornerstone of our faith, Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. 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 Old Testament Scripture Isaiah 55:1-9

Anthem "Promise Medley"

The New Testament Scripture John 3:1-13

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

Sermon "Isn't Once ENOUGH!" Rev. Will Nickles

Responding to the Word

*Hymn #563

"Open My Eyes That I May See"

*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 #446

"We've a Story to Tell to the Nations"

*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.)



We are blessed with lovely flowers in the sanctuary this morning:

The flowers to your right are given by Linda Spoerry to the Glory of God and in loving memory of her husband, Dale Spoerry.

The flowers to your left are given by Bob Harrell to the Glory of God and in loving memory of his wife, Elnor Harrell.

March 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.
	Memorial Service for Elnor Harrell	2:00 p.m.
Mon.	Scouts	5:00 p.m.
Tues.	Legacy Academy	8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Wed.	Meeting on Round-a-Abouts – Fellowship Hall	6:00 p.m.
Thurs.	Legacy Academy	8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

On Call: Elder: Bob Bone 864-225-8600		
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Those Serving Our Church

Elder Head Usher
Bob Bone Keith Wentzky

Sunday School Secretaries

Today: Bob Bone Next Week: Amy Morris

This Week's Birthday

March 26 Sharon Mosteller

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. Will Nickles to our Worship service today.

A Memorial Service for Elnor Harrell will be held at Midway today at 2:00 p.m.

<u>Informational meeting on the round-a-bouts on Midway Road.</u>

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.

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 20th, 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 6th. Lilies are to be taken with you after the Worship service on Sunday, April 20th.

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