

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
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Established 1833

**MIDWAY PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**

Worship Service

May 18, 2025

10:30 a.m.

***“I give you a new commandment, that you love one another.
Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.”
~~John 13:34***

The Service For the Lord’s Day
Fifth Sunday of Easter

The Gathering

Prelude	Mrs. Beth Croft
Introit	The Choir
Chiming of the Hour	
Greeting	Elder Kent Saunders
Announcements	
Jar Offering	The Shalom House

Responsive Call to Worship

Leader; We gather with the faithful in every time and place to praise the Lord!

People: We gather to sing to the glory of God.

Leader: Let us be filled with the Holy Spirit.

People: And by the Power of the Spirit,
let us love one another as God has loved us.

Unison: Praise and glory to God alone, now and forever.

Opening Prayer

*Hymn #82 "Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens, Adore Him"

*Call to Confession

*Unison Prayer of Confession

Almighty Father, forgive our sins. Forgive the sins that we remember, and the sins we have forgotten. Forgive our many failures in the face of temptation, and those times when we were too stubborn to accept correction. Forgive the times we have been proud of our own achievements and those when we have failed to boast in Your works. Forgive the harsh judgments we have made of others, and the lenience we have shown ourselves. Forgive the lies we have told and the truths we have avoided. Forgive us the pain we have caused others and the indulgence we have shown ourselves. Father, have mercy on us and make us whole for the sake of our Lord and Savior 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 Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer

The Word

Anthem "The Lily of the Valley" The Choir

Prayer of Illumination

The Scripture Reading John 13:31-35

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon "Simple Directions" Elizabeth Jones, CRE

Responding to the Word

*Hymn #667 "Lord, Speak to Me"

*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 Sending

*Hymn #666 "A Charge to Keep I Have"

*Charge and Blessing

*Choral Benediction #669 "Make Me a Servant"

Make me a servant, humble and meek; Lord, let me lift up those who are weak.
And may the prayer of my heart always be: Make me a servant,
make me a servant, Make me a servant today.

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

May 18, 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.
Wed.	Bingo	1:00 p.m.
Thurs.	Lunch Bunch @Dolce Vita	12:30 p.m.

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Those Serving Our Church

Elder

Kent Saunders

Head Usher

Amy Morris

Sunday School Secretaries

Today: Bob Bone Next Week: Amy Morris

Announcements

Our Jar Offering for May will go to The Shalom House. This Christian ministry in Belton provides a safe, stable environment for women for long-term recovery after treatment for addition to alcohol and drugs.

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.

Contributions to the **Mother's Day Offering** came to \$375.00. Thanks to all who gave.

Bingo Day will be Wednesday, May 21, at 1:00 p.m. This is a great time to fellowship with members and guests and have fun as well.

The Lunch Bunch will gather at Dolce Vita restaurant at 3823 Hwy. 81 on Thursday, May 22, at 12:30 p.m. Please join us for good food and good fellowship!

Newsletter Deadline. If you have items for the June Newsletter, please give them to LeNelle by Thursday, May 22, 2025.

The Session will meet next Sunday, May 25, immediately following Worship.

Good Neighbor Cupboard. With summer school vacations looming large, our friends at Good Neighbor Cupboard need to start stocking up on cereals and peanut butter. Children who usually get breakfast at school will now be home and in need of breakfast foods. Pop tarts are usually a hit with youngsters too. If you can add one item a week to your grocery shopping list and bring these donations to the church, we'll be able to help some of our local children in this way. Thank you.

If you can help. The volunteers at Anderson Pregnancy Center were very grateful to receive the diapers and Jar Offering check from us last week. Besides diapers, they are in need of baby clothes sizes 12-24 months. If any of you grandparents/great-grandparents have little ones who have outgrown these smaller, sizes and would like to donate, just bring the clothes to the church any Sunday. They don't need to be new, just in good, clean condition. APC tries to help the parents with toiletry donations, so if you don't have baby clothes but might donate some personal hygiene items, those would also be a blessing to them. Thank you for helping our young Anderson parents in this way.