

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

**MIDWAY PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**

Worship Service

October 12, 2025

10:30 a.m.

***“Then Jesus told them a parable about their need
to pray always and not to lose heart.”
~~Luke 18:1***

The Service For the Lord’s Day
Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Gathering

Prelude	Mrs. Beth Croft
Introit	The Choir
Chiming of the Hour	
Greeting	Elder Dee Ashworth
Announcements	
Jar Offering	Safe Harbor

Responsive Call to Worship Psalm 56 *The Message*

Leader: I’m proud to praise God.
People: **Fearless I trust in God,**
Leader: What can mortals do to me?
People: **God, you did everything you promised,**
 and I’m thanking you from my heart.
Leader: You pulled me from the brink of death,
 my feet from the edge of doom.
Unison: **Now I stroll at leisure with God in the sunlit fields of life.**

Opening Prayer

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

*Call to Confession

*Unison Prayer of Confession
Almighty God, 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 have been stubborn in the face of correction. Forgive the times we have been too afraid to seek your justice for those to whom justice has been denied. Forgive the harsh judgments we have made of others and for forgetting only you can judge. 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. God of grace 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 *“Farther Along”* The Choir
Prayer of Illumination
The Scripture Reading Luke 18:1-8
Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon *“Prayer and Persistence”* Elizabeth Jones, CRE

Responding to the Word

*Affirmation of Faith *The Nicene Creed*

We believe in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible;
And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father by whom all things were made; who for us, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of the Father. He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead, whose kingdom shall have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*Hymn #389 *“Spirit of the Living God”*

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory Prayer
The Offertory Music
*The Doxology

The Sending

*Hymn #734 *“Be Strong in the Lord”*
*Charge and Blessing
*Choral Benediction #644 *“The Greatest Thing”*
The greatest thing in all my life is serving You;
The greatest thing in all my life is serving You.
I want to serve You more, I want to serve You more.
The greatest thing in all my life is serving You.

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



The Lovely Flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given anonymously to the Glory of God and in honor of Linda Mylod for all she does for our church family.

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Calendar of Activities and Upcoming Events

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday	Sunday School	9:30 a.m.
	Morning Worship	10:30 a.m.
	Second Sunday Dinner	
Mon.	Scouts	5:00 p.m.
Tues.	Legacy Academy	8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Wed.	Bingo	1:00 p.m.
Thurs.	Legacy Academy	8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
	Daytrippers & Lunch Bunch to Hartwell	10:00 a.m.

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Those Serving Our Church

Elder

Dee Ashworth

Head Usher

Keith Wentzky

Sunday School Secretaries

Today: Bob Bone Next Week: Linda Mylod

This Week's Birthdays

October 14 Bob Jones
16 Traci Webb
18 Jean Smith

Announcements

Our Jar Offering for October will go to Safe Harbor of Anderson County, which provides safe shelter and advocacy services for victims of domestic violence and their children.

The Jar Offering is a way of honoring someone on their birthday, anniversary or as a praise to prayer.

Visitors, please fill out the white 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.

The Annual Peace and Global Witness Offering came to \$370.00. 25% of this offering will go to Family Promise. Thank you to all who gave.

Everyone is invited to join us for our Second Sunday Dinner. The 2-Cents-a-Meal Offering will be received for Foothills Presbytery's Cents Ability. This offering supports 14 local ministries across the 5 counties in the Presbytery, including S. Main St. Chapel & Mercy Center and Anderson Interfaith Ministries.

Bingo Day will be Wednesday, October 15, at 1:00 p.m. This is a time of fun and fellowship with members of our church and community. Make plans to join in the fun.

The Daytrippers and Lunch Bunch will travel to Hartwell On Thursday, October 16, to see the scarecrow displays and then have lunch at the Southern Hart Brewing Company. We will leave the church parking lot at 10:00 a.m. Please let Terry Waddell know as soon as possible if you are planning on going so she can make lunch reservations.

The Building & Grounds Committee will meet next Sunday, October 19, in the Church Office Activity Room immediately following Worship.

The Community Life & Mission Committee will collect items for Family Promise and The Lot Project during October. Needed supplies are: toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo, feminine hygiene items, etc. The Lot Project also accepts clothing, including shoes, belts and hats as long as it's clean, gently used and seasonally appropriate.