

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. Elizabeth Jones	CRE
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 2026</u>	<u>Class of 2027</u>	<u>Class of 2028</u>
Bob Bone	Tommy Alewine	Marilyn Mamrick
Roz Rozakos	John Dodwell	Kathy Wilson (Clerk)
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Treasurers

John Dodwell	Disbursing Treasurer
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MIDWAY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Worship Service

April 26, 2026

10:30 a.m.

So again Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep.”

~~John 10:7

The Service For the Lord’s Day

Fourth Sunday of Easter

The Gathering

Prelude	Mrs. Beth Croft
Introit	The Choir
Chiming of the Hour	
Greeting	Elder John Dodwell
Announcements	
Jar Offering	Anderson Pregnancy Center

Responsive Call to Worship

Leader: We gather together to worship God our Shepherd.

People: Our God who does not leave us wanting.

Leader: The One who walks with us even through the valley of death.

People: The One who never abandons us.

Leader: The One who prepares a place for us and fills our cup until it overflows.

Unison: Let us praise the Lord and dwell in God's house forever.

Opening Prayer

*Hymn #694 *"The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want"*

*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 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 leniency we have shown ourselves. Forgive the lies we have told to others and the truths we have avoided. Forgive us the pain we have caused others and the indulgence we have shown ourselves. Dear God, 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 *"My Shepherd Will Supply My Needs"* The Choir

Prayer of Illumination

The Scripture Reading **John 10:1-10**

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"The Gate and the Shepherd"

Elizabeth Jones, CRE

Responding to the Word

*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.

*Hymn #688

"Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us"

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory Prayer

The Offertory Music

*The Doxology

The Sending

*Hymn #696

"God Leads Us Along"

*Charge and Blessing

*Choral Benediction #368

"He Lives"

He lives, He lives! Christ Jesus lives today!

He walks with me and talks with me along life's narrow way.

He lives, He lives, salvation to impart! You ask me how I know He Lives?

He Lives within my heart!

*Postlude

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

April 26, 2026

Calendar of Activities and Upcoming Events

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday	Sunday School	9:30 a.m.
	Morning Worship	10:30 a.m.
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.
Fri.	Setting up for Yard/Bake Sale	10:00 a.m. –
Sat.	Yard/Bake Sale	8:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

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Those Serving Our Church

Elder

John Dodwell

Ushers

Dianne Davis, Amy Morris

Sunday School Secretaries

Today: Amy Morris Next Week: Carol Wentzky

This Week's Birthdays

April 27 Brenda Masters
28 Kim Waldkirch

Announcements

Our Jar Offering for April will go to the Anderson Pregnancy Center, which is a non-profit committed to providing education, encouragement, and support to women of all ages facing untimely pregnancies. We believe that the life of the pre-born is precious, as is the life of the mother. As an organization, we focus on partnering alongside women and their families through their pregnancies and the challenges of parenting.

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.

Bingo Day will be Wednesday, April 29, at 1:00 p.m. This is a time of fun and fellowship with members of our church and community. There are lots of neat prizes, so make plans to join the fun.

The Building & Grounds Committee will meet Sunday, May 3, immediately following Worship.

New Address for Linda Spoerry: Spring Arbor of Anderson, Rm#21, 3461 Hwy 81N, 29621.

May Community Life and Mission Committee

We'll be collecting groceries for Good Neighbor Cupboard throughout May. Due to the upcoming summer vacation, many youngsters will be missing their school-provided breakfasts and lunches. Kid-friendly, easy-to-fix foods include cereals, peanut butter, jelly, pop-tarts, canned fruit/fruit cups, breakfast bars (tasty as well as healthy!), tuna, canned pastas, snack foods. Regular size jars and cans are preferred. Contributions can be left in the boxes on the floor of the vestibule to be brought to GNC throughout the month. Thank you for your continued generosity.

It's Happening NOW!

Only 6 days until our 2026 fundraising Yard-and Bake-Sale! Thank you to everyone who donated items for the sale. We have a wonderful array of kitchen items, including small appliances, household décor, tools, games and miscellany. Now it's time to show off your baking skills! Baked goods should be brought to Fellowship Hall between 10 and noon on Friday. If you need your baked goods picked up, please let Linda know so that can be arranged. Ginny has suggested that cookies, brownies and mini loaves always go quickly, AND if you could, it would help our Bake Sale workers immensely if you'd wrap your items at home. If that's not possible, our ladies will wrap them when they arrive. Cookies and brownies could be wrapped in two's, unless the cookies are small, and then they could be wrapped in 3's. Small baggies work well. Cakes or pies will be cut up by the workers and wrapped at church to keep them fresh.

If you're not home baking, we'd love to have you help us with set up at Fellowship Hall on Friday. We'll be there from 10:00 until all the items are set out. We've received a blessed abundance of items, so many hands will be needed to make light work. We'll also need workers on Saturday from 7:30 until 2:30, or for whatever part of that time you can spare. And, of course, we need shoppers! So please, please get the word out on social media and e-mail your friends and relatives to join us on May 2nd for the only fundraiser that we'll have this year. All proceeds will be used to purchase clothing, supplies and Christmas gifts for children and adults in need in Anderson. Thank you!