

THE LORD'S DAY

JANUARY 10, 2010

11:00 a.m.

WELCOME, CONGREGATIONAL MINISTRIES, AND INFORMATION

Please use this time to set your hearts on Christ and pray for the Word, our worship, and that holiness and reverence will be known among us.

PRELUDE *Prelude in e minor* Bach

CALL TO WORSHIP

***HYMN OF PRAISE** "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" #53

*INVOCATION

CONFESSION: The Nicene Creed

I 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 His 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 men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost 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: And He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; Who spoke by the Prophets: And I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church: I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins: And I look for the resurrection of the dead: And the life of the world to come. Amen.

****HYMN OF RESPONSE** "The Church's One Foundation" #347

PASTORAL PRAYER

WELCOME *(Please sign the registration pad with complete address)*

THE GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "Andante" from *Reformation Symphony* Mendelssohn

*DOXOLOGY

*THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

PSALTER READING Psalm 37:1-9 p. 797

ANTHEM *How Can I Keep From Singing* Honore

My life flows on in endless song, above earth's lamentation.
I hear the real though far off hymn that hails a new creation.
No storm can shake my inmost calm, while to that Rock I'm clinging.
Since the Lord is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?

Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear that music ringing;
It sounds and echoes in my soul; how can I keep from singing?
No storm can shake my inmost calm, while to that Rock I'm clinging.
Since the Lord is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?

The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a fountain ever springing;
All things are mine since I am His; how can I keep from singing?
No storm can shake my inmost calm, while to that Rock I'm clinging.
Since the Lord is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?

***HYMN OF PREPARATION** "Come, Thou Almighty King" #101
(*Children K4-1st grade dismissed to children's church.*)

SCRIPTURE Acts 15:1-6

SERMON "Biblical Decision Making, Part 1" Rev. David Hall

***HYMN OF AFFIRMATION** "Amazing Grace" #460

***BENEDICTION** (*Please remain for the Benedictory Response.*)

***BENEDICTORY RESPONSE** *Benediction* Stainer

POSTLUDE *Fugue* Pachelbel

GREETING Please extend a cordial welcome to visitors and regular attenders.

*Congregation please stand

**Deacons will seat late arrivals

The flowers are given today by the Pritchett family to the glory of God and in memory of Charlie R. Pritchett on what would have been his 100th birthday.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We extend our Christian love and sympathy to Daniel Stout on the death of Daniel's brother Micah Stout who died January 6, 2010.

We extend our Christian love and sympathy to Joan Jordan and family on the death of Joan's stepfather Jack Harris who died January 7, 2010.

UPDATED DIRECTORIES – We are in the process of updating our directory. If you have had a change since the pictorial directory please contact Sherry Cowan at church.office@midwaypca.org with changes no later than January 20th.

NEW MEMBERS CLASS – starts January 31st, see Pastor Brock if interested.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY – teaching through 1 Corinthians with Pastor Brock, Phil Dudt and Rod Bell.

THE GRACE CLASS began a study of Craig Brown's *The Five Dilemmas of Calvinism* today. You are welcome to join us as we consider "five major dilemmas that confront every Christian who considers the Reformed faith."

BEGINNING HANDBELL CLASS will begin this Thursday, Jan. 14th, 6:15-7:00 p.m. The class is open to ages 10 through adult. In order for the class to make, we will need a minimum of eight ringers. Please call Judy Dodd, 770-422-4974, ext. 1106 to register for the class.

LYDIA CIRCLE – is studying the book of Joshua. If you have been looking for a study this is a great time to join! Lessons will be on the WIC table, we meet the first and third Tuesday of the month at 10:00 am in the conference room, childcare and nursery are provided. Pick up the first lesson and join us as we dive deep into God’s Holy Word.

PRAYER INVITATION our Midway missionaries covet your prayers. Join us for a weekly prayer time every Sunday afternoon beginning at 5:15 in the Berean classroom. We read through the missionary letters and then spend time in intercessory prayer.

COMMUNICANTS’ CLASS - If your son/daughter is interested in joining the church as a communicant member or wants to know more about the church, Pastor Joel will be offering a six-week course on the basics of the faith. This course will begin Jan. 17th. Please email to register your child: joelsmit@midwaypca.org

Youth Parents Meeting/Luncheon will take place today after the morning service. Come hear about the upcoming classes, events, and trips in the new year for the youth. *Please bring a main dish AND side or dessert to share for lunch.*

YOUTH NEWS:

Please check the Youth Calendar on the Church web page for up-to-date calendar info:

- **MS "Grandslam"** - tonight in the youth assembly room, 7-8:30PM. Food, fellowship, and teaching.
- **Bible Studies** will resume next week Sunday (Jan. 17).
- **HS Ice Skating in Centinneeal Park** - Mon, Jan. 18. Meet at church at 10:30. Cost is \$9 plus money for lunch.

MIDWAY COVENANT CHRISTIAN SCHOOL will begin accepting student enrollment applications on January 19th. Please contact the school office at 770-590-1866 or visit the school website at www.midwayschool.org. The application forms can be printed from the website or picked up at the school reception desk.

Sign up for our WOMEN’S RETREAT by January 28! Join us for “Connecting to Christ and His Church”, an overnight retreat in the mountains — a wonderful opportunity to enjoy a women’s get-away, sit under sound Biblical teaching, and connect with other Midway sisters. March 5 & 6 at Amicalola Falls Lodge in Dawsonville. Fee includes hotel, 3 buffet meals, 3 group sessions with Sue Jakes (our speaker), a goodie bag, and loads of fun & fellowship. Limited need-based scholarships are available. Further information & registration forms on the WIC table.

Wednesday Fellowship Supper

January 13, 2010

Hot Dogs and Chili, Lemonade, Tea and Coffee

YOU MUST MAKE RESERVATIONS **Deadline to make reservations is 12:00 on Tuesday*

Adults: \$4, Children: \$2,(10 & under) \$16 family maximum.

NURSERY NEWS

THOSE SERVING SUNDAY, January 10th

- 9:35** Susan Brookins, Julie Dykstra Theresa & Jeremy Fix, Liza Hendrix
10:50 Jeffrey Baxter, Terri & Melody Kayler, Bobbi & Michelle Mitchell, Kim, George & Emily Jones, Whitney Brookins, Nathan, Zach & Drew Bohannon, Emily Keesee, Anne & Emily Hart Herbert, Leila Chumley
5:50 Barbara Bokhoven, Becky Lewis

THOSE SERVING SUNDAY, January 17th

- 9:35** Lance & Sonja Cooper, Cliff & Christie Cook, Lisa Brock
10:50 Rebekah & Michelle, Asa & Aaron Cooper, Gabe Bostwick, Kimberly Burton,
Connor & Kate Worley, Jonathan Jackson, Tabby & Priscilla Charles & Bryant
Brock, Sophia & Jeffrey Siewert, Kendall Butler, Larry & Mary Judy
5:50 Barbara Kline, Paula Wilson, Kim Smith

SPECIAL CARE MINISTRY

- Sunday, January 10th** Leigh Hankal, Scott Hankal, Janet Jeffries
Sunday, January 17th Teresa Bursi, Paco Combes, Carolyn Sqrow

Congregational Prayer Needs: Jerry Hobbs, Jack Haddox, Karen Barnett, Nancy Norris (Kathy Godwin & Michelle Crooks' mother), Bob Winch, Clara Jean David (Clay David's mother), Faye Rhea (Teresa Bursi's mother), Barbara Joiner (Ken Joiner's mom), Joe Nichols

Our expectant families: Anna & Tom Campbell, Allison (Walker) & Jonathan Ferro, Rebekah (Tippins) & Billy Resh, Nikki & Paul Allen, Katie & Brett Edwards, Kechia and Zachary Magee

Our Military Personnel: Doug Hayes, Will Talley, Nate Forrester, Wiley & Brady Pritchett, Blake Joseph, Evan Keese, Richard Davenport

Midway Covenant Christian School

Missionaries of the Week: Harry & Julie Miller – PEF, Atlanta/Bulgaria

Church of the Week: Grace Church - Douglasville

SUNDAY SCHOOL

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