

THE LORD'S DAY

MAY 1, 2016
11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE *The Solid Rock* arr. Lamb

CALL TO WORSHIP

****HYMN OF PRAISE** "How I Love Thy Law, O Lord!" see back

**INVOCATION

**CONFESSION 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 OF RESPONSE** "How Firm a Foundation" #94

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

(Please do not use flash cameras during worship. We will be happy to provide an opportunity for pictures after the service)

PRAYER Rev. Marc Harrington

WELCOME

(Please sign the registration pad with complete address)

THE GIVING OF GOD'S TITHES AND YOUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *Festive Peal on "Hymn to Joy"* M. Ryan

DOXOLOGY (sung to the tune of "Jesus Shall Reign")
Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

ANTHEM *The Eternal Gates* H. Helvey

The eternal gates lift up their heads, the doors are opened wide,
The King of glory is gone up unto his Father's side.
And I'll sing hallelujah, and you'll sing hallelujah,
And we'll all sing hallelujah, when we arrive at home.

And ever on our earthly path a gleam of glory lies,
A light still breaks behind the cloud that veils Thee from the eyes.
And I'll sing hallelujah, and you'll sing hallelujah,
And we'll all sing hallelujah, when we arrive at home.

Lift up our hearts, lift up our minds, and let Thy grace be given,
That, while we live on earth below, our treasure be in heaven.
And I'll sing hallelujah, and you'll sing hallelujah,
And we'll all sing hallelujah, when we arrive at home.

That, where Thou art at God's right hand, our hope, our love may be:
Dwell in us now, that we may dwell for evermore in Thee.
And I'll sing hallelujah, and you'll sing hallelujah,
Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah,
And we'll all sing hallelujah, when we arrive at home.

***HYMN OF PREPARATION** "Be Thou My Vision" #642
(Children K4-1st grade dismissed to children's church.)

SCRIPTURE 2 Peter 1:3

SERMON "Do We Really Believe?" Rev. David Hall

***HYMN OF AFFIRMATION** "All for Jesus!" #565

SPECIAL OFFERING

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

***BENEDICTORY RESPONSE** Gloria Patri Greatorex
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was
in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen,
Amen.

POSTLUDE *A Jubilant Recessional* Linker

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

*Congregation please stand
**Deacons will seat late arrivals

A special offering will be taken today at the close of the 11:00 service. All donations will go toward the goal of acquiring sufficient funds for perpetual care of the Midway Cemetery. Donations are tax deductible; checks should be made payable to the Midway Cemetery Association, Inc.

We are pleased to present Katherine Elizabeth Zumbrum, the covenant child of Ryan & Alexia Zumbrum for the sacrament of baptism.

The flowers are given by Diane Armstrong in memory of the great cloud of witnesses that surrounds us all. (Hebrews 12:1).

*Midway Presbyterian Church
Children's and Youth Choirs
Spring Program
Sunday Evening, May 1, 2016
6:00 p.m.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We extend our Christian love and sympathy to Rodney Pritchett and family upon the death of Rodney's mother.

We welcome the following new members:
Ted & Peggy Green

Please join us after morning worship to hear from two of our Midway supported missionaries, Bob and Patty Meredith with the Navigators in Kenya and Endi Kovac with CRM in Hungary. Please bring a dish to share for the covered dish lunch. Drinks will be provided.

SPRING PICNIC AND HAITI FUNDRAISER--Please join us on May 21st at 4:00 p.m. at the field behind the gym for our annual Spring picnic. We will provide all food and drinks and you will have the opportunity to donate to the Haiti mission team. Bring the entire family and enjoy games, bouncies, and a time to fellowship.

GRADUATING SENIORS – If you have a graduating senior, please get their information to Ben Thomas (ben.thomas@midwaypca.org) by May 8th for recognition in the Youth Sunday evening service on May 15th. Please include full name, from where the student is graduating, and future plans.

MIDWAY COVENANT CHRISTIAN SCHOOL invites you to participate in the observance of National Day of Prayer on Thursday, May 5th at 8:40am in front of the sanctuaries. The program will last about 30 minutes.

VBS REGISTRATION is now OPEN! Register at www.midwaypca.org. VBS is for rising K-4 – 5th grade. See your bulletin insert for information on how to volunteer.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY & PRAYER GROUP- will meet at 7:00 p.m.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY (nursery services available)

- The Circle of Grace will meet weekly in the Harvester classroom at 10:00 each Tuesday morning through May 17th. All ladies are invited to join us as we study the Foundations of our Faith in the Book of Romans.
- The Ladies Evening Bible Study is studying the book of Ruth. All ladies are welcome. For more information, please call Joyce Talley at 770-499-8145.
- Ruth Circle meets the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Sunday School room.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY (contact marc.harrington@midwaypca.org)

- Pastor Hall's Thursday study meets at 12:00 in the Harvester class room.
- Pastor Harrington's Wednesday study meets at 7:00 a.m. at the Daily Grind. The meeting is held in the back room.

YOUTH NEWS (contact ben.thomas@midwaypca.org)

- Come join our Wednesday night youth group this week in the Youth Assembly Room at 7:00 p.m. as we continue our study Exodus.
- High School Boys Bible Study this week at the Cooper's on Monday night at 7:00 p.m.
- Middle School Grand Slam (a fellowship for middle school students) TONIGHT after the evening worship service. Pick up at 8:30 p.m.
- Sr. Grad night will be Sunday night, May 15th. Reception in the Fellowship Hall will follow.
- Youth Memorial Day Pig Picking will be on Memorial Day, May 30th.
- Middle School Summer Retreat at Ridge Haven Camp in Brevard, NC is July 18-22. Please contact Ben for further details.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY (contact brad.winsted@midwaypca.org)

- Sunday School begins at 9:45 a.m. in the music room of the School, followed by Sunday School classes for all ages. Each Worship Service has a "Children's Church" for K4 to 1st graders.
- Wednesday Night Kid's Club 7:00 p.m.
- Every year many of our Midway families participate in a Christian based summer camp at Camp Westminster in nearby Conyers, GA. Take advantage of a \$100 scholarship per child for Midway Presbyterian families by registering online at campwestminster.org or call 770-483-2225.

Wednesday Fellowship Dinner

May 4th – 5:30-6:30PM

Spaghetti and Pizza, Dessert, Tea and Coffee

YOU MUST MAKE RESERVATIONS church.kitchen@midwaypca.org

**Deadline to make reservations is 3:00 p.m. on Monday*

Adults: \$4.50, Children: \$2.50, (10 & under) \$20 family maximum.

\$1.00 extra for each "to-go" plate purchased.

NURSERY NEWS

Those interested in serving in the nursery or special care ministries, contact Jennifer Nichols – nursery@midwaypca.org

THOSE SERVING, Sunday, May 1st

- 9:35** Jimmy & Katie Cooper Janice Furlong, Chris Spicer
- 10:45** Erin Fair, Jackson & Reagan Fair, Jean Ross Laura Keesee, Bobbi Mitchell, Abigail Smith, Alexia Zumbrum, Derek & Amy Spicer
- 5:50** Jerry & Becky Blades, Kate Harrington

THOSE SERVING, Sunday, May 8th

- 9:35** Gail & Rick Griffin
- 10:45** Kristi Collett, Jessica Joiner, Lee Kopp Stephen Smith, Hannah Livingston, Tonie & Jared Negron, Susanne Worley
- 5:50** Karen Barnett, Gabby Stevens

SPECIAL CARE MINISTRY

- Sunday, May 1st** Anne Herbert, Jack Herbert, 10:30 Alex Whitaker
- Sunday, May 8th** Phil Dudt, Andrew Hall

CHILDREN’S CHURCH

(contact brad.winsted@midwaypca.org)

- Sunday, May 1st** **A.M. Service** Justin Fuller, Amber Michael
- Sunday, May 8th** **A.M. Service** Heinz & Gisela Bockle

- Sunday, May 1st** **P.M. Service** Gabby Stevens
- Sunday, May 8th** **P.M. Service** Kim Washington

Congregational Prayer Needs: Dottie Rooker, Jerry Hobbs, Judy Allen, Sandy Boyd, Charlie Waters, Ava Nunn, Clay David, Shirley Holcomb

Our expectant families Lauren & Drew Raessler, Amber & David Jackson, Devon & Sean Duneheew, Bradley & Rachael (Redwine) Adams, Max & Allie Thelen, Jimmy & Katie Cooper

Our Military Personnel: Doug Hayes, Nate Forrester, Wiley Pritchett, John S. Tilley, Bradley Winsted and Samuel Winsted, William Vogh, Brady Pritchett, Greg Hawley, Mae Eister, David Hugh Howell, Keller Frankland, Jacob Robinson, Johnnie and Ruth (Winsted) Felker, Brent Henson, Payne Underwood

Midway Covenant Christian School

Missionary of the Month: Jennifer Kent, RUF intern at University of Alabama

Church of the Week: Christ Presbyterian Church - Marietta

SUNDAY SCHOOL - 9:45 a.m.

Adult

Class	Subject of Study	Location	Class	Subject of Study	Location
Explorers	Book of Amos	FH	Fellowship	Parables of Jesus	FH
Grace	Acts	Cafeteria	Harvester	Genesis	FH
Women	Paul’s Letters	FH			

College

Library

Children (classes are under the 1987 sanctuary)

Youth

4-5 th grade	A5
High school	Youth Assembly Room
Middle school	Room beside the Gym
2 nd & 3 rd grade	A6
1 st grade	A2
Infant-3 yr. old	Nursery
K4 & K5	A1

MIDWAY OFFICERS

Active Ruling Elders

Class of 2016: Ernie Hawley, Bill Knight, Wes Richardson, Bob Whitaker

Class of 2018: Clay David, Scott Keesee, James Scott, Jim Wolff

Class of 2020: Don Barnett, John Garmon, Rodney Pritchett, Jeff Talley

Active Deacons

Class of 2016: Steve Bell, Matt Ross, Brian Washington

Class of 2017: Cliff Miller, Harris Robinson, Phil Schrock, Kevin Thomas, Chris Vincenzi

Class of 2018: Greg Bartlett, Dan Crouse, Hugh Lewis, Brady Pritchett

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From Psalm 119
The Psalter, 1912; alt., 1950

SPANISH HYMN: 7. 7. 7. 7. with Refrain
Source unknown
Har. by David Evans, 1927

1. How I love Thy law, O Lord! Dai - ly joy its truths af - ford;
2. Thy com-mand-ments in my heart Tru - est wis - dom can im - part;
3. While my heart Thy word o - beys, I am kept from e - vil ways;

In its con-stant light I go, Wise to con-quer ev - ery foe.
To my eyes Thy pre-cepts show Wis - dom more than sa - ges know.
From Thy law, with Thee to guide, May I nev - er turn a - side.

REFRAIN

Sweet - er are Thy words to me Than all oth - er good can be;

Safe I walk, Thy truth my light, Hat - ing false-hood, lov - ing right. A-MEN.

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Founded in 1850, Midway Church is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA), a Reformed, evangelical denomination organized in 1973. Our church seeks to be Scriptural in both its government and its doctrine. We believe the Bible is the inerrant Word of God, our infallible and divine authority in all matters of life and faith.

“Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.”