

EASTER

March 27, 2016
11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE *Awake, Thou Wintry Earth* from Easter Cantata J.S. Bach

CHORAL INTROIT *Medieval Easter Chant* N. Grundahl

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: He is Risen.
People: He is Risen Indeed!
All: Let us Praise our Risen Savior.

***HYMN OF PRAISE** “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today” #277

*THE INVOCATION: Unison

Almighty God, who through Your only begotten Son Jesus Christ has overcome death, and opened to us the gate of everlasting life; We humbly beseech You, that as by Your special grace preceding us, You have put into our minds good desires, so by Your continual help we may steadfastly set our hearts on those things which are above: that when Christ, who is our Life, shall appear, we may also appear with Him in glory, where He now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, ever One God, world without end. Amen.

***HYMN OF RESPONSE** “Alleluia! Alleluia!” #283

PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. Marc Harrington

WELCOME *We greet you in the Lord Jesus Christ and are happy that you joined us this morning. We invite you to return and share in our Worship often.*

(Please sign the Attendance Register in the pew rack)

PRESENTATION OF GOD’S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *Allegretto* A. Corelli

***DOXOLOGY** #733

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below; alleluia, alleluia!
Praise Him above, ye heav’n-ly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost;
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

UNISON SCRIPTURE READING I Cor. 15:1-8 Rev. Ben Thomas

“Now brothers, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain. For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for your sins according to the Scriptures, that He was buried, that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, and that He appeared to Peter, and then to the Twelve. After that, He appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles, and last of all He appeared to me also, as to one abnormally born.”

ANTHEM *Worthy is the Lamb that was Slain* G.F. Handel
Worthy is the Lamb that was slain, and hath redeemed us to God by His blood, to receive power, and riches and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing.

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Blessing and honour, glory and power be unto Him, be unto Him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb forever and ever, forever and ever. Amen.

***HYMN OF PREPARATION** “Worship Christ, the Risen King!” #286
***(Dismissal of children ages 4 and 5 to Children’s Church)*

SCRIPTURE 1 Corinthians 15:12-28

SERMON “The Difference that History and Truth Make” Rev. David Hall

***HYMN OF AFFIRMATION** “Jesus Christ Is Risen Today” #273

***THE BENEDICTION** Rev. Ben Thomas

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

***POSTLUDE** *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!* Burkhardt

***Congregation please stand**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HAITI MISSION TRIP: Anyone interested in joining the Midway Mission trip to Haiti this summer, please contact Marc Harrington at meh8171@yahoo.com. We are planning to go for one week at the end of June to work with orphans doing VBS (teaching, music, crafts, games) and delivering medical supplies for the clinic. Exact dates will be announced soon. Children under 18 years old must be accompanied by a parent.

It’s time to send out Care Packages for Midway members away at college or in the military. Sign up and make donations of pens/notebooks, fun stuff, travel size items, non perishable items, etc. at the Women’s Ministry Table. Join us to assemble the care packages on March 29th at 10:00 am. brianandmelanieadams@gmail.com

BABY SHOWER – All ladies are invited to a baby shower for Amber Jackson on April 2nd at 10:00 a.m. Amber and David are expecting a girl, and they are registered at Babies R Us and Target.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY AND PRAYER GROUP meet each Wednesday 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)

- Wednesday night Youth will be in the Youth Assembly Room at 7:00 pm. Come join us as we continue our study in Exodus.
- High School Boys Bible Study this week at the Coopers, Monday at 7:00 p.m.
- High School Girls Bible Study this week. Thursday at 6:30pm in the youth room.
- Middle School in-house retreat will be April 22nd-23rd. Please see Ben for details.
- Spring Break Mission Trip for High School students to Dalton is April 4-7. The cost is \$75 / person. Please let Ben know TODAY if you would like to come.

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. The children are dismissed just before the sermon and are picked up downstairs at the Children’s Assembly Area.
- Wednesday Night Kid’s Club- Each Wednesday at 7:00 p.m., children between 4 -10 meet for Bible lessons, catechism, skits, recreation and prayer. We are studying the catechism series “How Do We Know We Have an Eternal Soul”.
- 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. There are weekly programs for kids of all ages starting at age six.

VBS JUNE 6th -10th. All interested in assisting with VBS this year please contact Brad Winsted or Michelle Mitchell.

Wednesday Fellowship Dinner

March 30th – 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, March 27th

- 9:35** Ed Knox, Beckie MacGregor, Carol DeMar
- 10:45** Julie Bell, Kim & Robert Covan, Abigail Crouse, Loretta Gilmer, Leah Knox, Kris Ross, Pebbles Shankman
- 5:50** Becky Lewis, Hannah & Olivia Adams, Paula Wilson

THOSE SERVING, Sunday, April 3rd

- 9:35** Alicia Bartlett, Molly McKenna, Georgia Williams
- 10:45** Kylie & Cameron Day, Lara Fuller, Lauren Hash, Laura & Allison MacGregor, Patrick McKinney, Kirt Moore, Ryan Zumbrum
- 5:50** Gisela Bockle, Breanna Robinson

SPECIAL CARE MINISTRY

- Sunday, March 27th** Clay David Jr., Phil Dudd
- Sunday, April 3rd** Diane Armstrong, Andrew Hall

CHILDREN’S CHURCH

(contact brad.winsted@midwaypca.org)

- Sunday, March 27th** **A.M. Service** Heather Knight, Meredith Knight
- Sunday, March 27th** **P.M. Service** Diane Armstrong

Congregational Prayer Needs: Dottie Rooker, Jerry Hobbs, Judy Allen, Sandy Boyd, Charlie Waters, Ava Nunn, Joy Scott, Clay David, Shirley Holcomb, Doug Clapp
Our expectant families: Halie (Siewert) & Sean Hunczak, Lauren & Drew Raessler, Amber & David Jackson, Devon & Sean Dunehew, Sarah (Wolff) & Casey Carpenter, Bradley & Rachael (Redwine) Adams, Travis & Sarah (Redwine) Loudermilk
Our Military Personnel: Doug Hayes, Nate Forrester, Wiley Pritchett, John S. Tilley, Bradley Winsted and Samuel Winsted, Matthew Guffey, 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: Bruce & Barbara Wannemacher, MTW, Bible Institute of South Africa
Church of the Week: Smyrna Presbyterian Church - Smyrna

SUNDAY SCHOOL - 9:45 a.m.

Adult					
Class	Subject of Study	Location	Class	Subject of Study	Location
Explorers	Parables of Jesus	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		2 nd & 3 rd grade		A6
Middle school	Room beside the Gym		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 Keese, 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

EVENING WORSHIP

March 27, 2016
6:00 PM

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

***HYMN OF PRAISE** “Come, Christians, Join to Sing” #302

***INVOCATION**

***PSALM OF PRAISE** Psalms for Worship, 112B

PRAYER

CONFESSION OF OUR FAITH Heidelberg Catechism

Pastor: Does it have a special meaning that Christ was crucified and did not die in a different way?

People: Yes. Thereby I am assured that He took upon Himself the curse which lay on me, for a crucified one was cursed by God.

Pastor: Since Christ has died for us, why do we still have to die?

People: Our death is not a payment for our sins, but it puts an end to sin and is an entrance into eternal life.

Pastor: How does Christ’s resurrection benefit us?

People: First, by His resurrection He has overcome death, so that He could make us share in the righteousness which He had obtained for us by His death. Second, by His power we too are raised up to a new life. Third, Christ’s resurrection is to us a sure pledge of our glorious resurrection.

***HYMN OF PREPARATION** “Rejoice, the Lord Is King” #310
(Children dismissed)

SCRIPTURE READING Revelation 7:9-17

SERMON “Resurrection Hope” Rev. Marc Harrington

***HYMN OF AFFIRMATION** “Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending” #318

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

THE LORD’S DAY
CELEBRATING THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS CHRIST
MARCH 27, 2016



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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.

“He is not here; he has risen, just as he said.
Come and see the place where he lay.” (Matthew 28:6)