

THE LORD'S DAY

AUGUST 28, 2016
11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE *Though I May Speak* E.L. Diemer

CALL TO WORSHIP

****HYMN OF PRAISE** "Join All the Glorious Names" #301

**CONFESSION OF FAITH

Most merciful God, we confess to you that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed; not only in outward transgressions, but also in secret thoughts and desires that we are unable to understand, but which are all known to you. For this reason, we flee for refuge to your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring your grace, through our Lord Jesus Christ. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us so that we can delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON

If you, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand? O Israel, put your hope in the Lord, for with the Lord is unfailing love and with him is full redemption. He himself will redeem Israel from all their sins. Psalm 130:3, 7-8

***HYMN OF RESPONSE** "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" #164

PRAYER

WELCOME

(Please sign the registration pad with complete address)

THE GIVING OF GOD'S TITHES AND YOUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *Sonata in f minor* D. Scarlatti

***DOXOLOGY** #731

*THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

PSALTER READING Psalm 77 p. 812

ANTHEM *Holy, Holy, Holy* T. de la Victoria
Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God, of Sabaoth.
Heaven and earth are full of Thy glory.
Hosanna in the highest.

***HYMN OF PREPARATION** "Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me?" #609
(Children K4-1st grade dismissed to children's church.)

SCRIPTURE Revelation 2:8-11

SERMON "Suffering Put Into Perspective" Rev. David Hall

***HYMN OF AFFIRMATION** "Let Our Choir New Anthems Raise" #357

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

***BENEDICTORY RESPONSE** Gloria Patri Creatorex
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 *Lead On, O King Eternal* arr. Helman

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

*Congregation please stand
**Deacons will seat late arrivals

Flowers today are given in thankfulness to God for the many long marriages being celebrated at Midway.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Join us tonight for a new series on the Book of Galatians.

CHILDREN'S, YOUTH AND ADULT CHOIRS have begun rehearsals. It is not too late, however, to join any choir! Parents of children and youth, don't pass up this opportunity to train your children in the music of worship. Adults, we always look forward to welcoming new singers into the choir! Contact Judy Dodd for additional info, judy.dodd@midwaypca.org.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY AND ACTIVITIES – Join us at 6:15 p.m. for children's choirs, and at 7:00 p.m. for adult Bible study, prayer group, adult choir, youth group and children's activities. Nursery provided.

WEDNESDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY - Join us for a study of 1 Corinthians taught by Pastor Harrington at 7:00 p.m.

LADIES WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY - Ladies of all ages & stages are invited to join us from 10:00 a.m. until noon in the fellowship hall for a 13-week study of "David: The Shepherd King". The study is led by Carol Combs and childcare is provided for infants through 5-years; homeschoolers are invited to join us or study in an adjoining room. Questions? Contact Sandra @ 770-427-2336

LADIES OF ALL AGES are invited to attend the **Women's Ministry Fall Kick-off Event** on Tuesday evening, August 30th at 7:00 in the fellowship hall. Enjoy fun desserts, a coffee bar and fellowship. This event will highlight ministries and service opportunities for the upcoming year. We hope you will join us! Please sign up at the WIC table. Nursery is provided for children ages 4 and under. If Nursery is needed, please reserve your spot as soon as possible at nursery@midwaypca.org.

THE LADIES EVENING BIBLE STUDY will meet the first and third Tuesdays of every month, beginning on Tuesday, September 6. We will be studying Praying With Paul by Dr. D.A. Carson, with the goal of enriching and deepening our own prayer lives. All ladies of the church are welcome. For more information contact Joyce Talley at 770-499-8145.

RUTH CIRCLE (MONTHLY LADIES BIBLE STUDY) Join us Tuesday, September 20th at 10AM in the "Fellowship" SS classroom. Our text this year is "The Promised One - Seeing Jesus in Genesis" by Nancy Guthrie". While we only meet the 3rd Tuesday of each month, the content of each lesson is rich and can be mined over the intervening weeks to the extent you desire. Nursery is available. Schedules permitting, we go to lunch afterward and would love for you to come too! Please contact Ann Tippins for additional information 770-427-3607.

BABY SHOWER – All ladies are invited to a baby shower for Katie Cooper at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 10th. She is registered at Babies R Us and Target.

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

- Pastor Hall's Thursday study meets at 12:00 in the Harvester class room.
- Mr. Mic Knox's study meets every other Monday at 5:00 a.m. at the YMCA. Membership to the Y is not required to attend the Bible study. They will meet again on Monday, September 12th.

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

- Youth Group will meet Wednesday night at 7pm in the Youth Assembly Room. Join us as we study Ephesians.
- Girls Bible Study (High School and Middle School) will meet this Tuesday from 6:30pm-8pm at the Hankal's.
- High School Homerun (a fellowship for High School students) TONIGHT after the evening worship service. We will be back at the church for pick up at 9:15pm.
- Middle School Grandslam (a fellowship for Middle School students) NEXT WEEK (9/4) in the youth room after the evening worship service.
- There will be a Youth Parents Lunch on Sunday, September 11th after the morning worship service in the fellowship hall. This will be potluck, so please bring something to share.
- Whitewater Rafting Trip on September 24th. Must be 12 years or older and at least 60 lbs to participate. \$30 per person. Please let Ben know if you'd like to go.

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.
- Kid's Club this Wednesday, at 7:00 p.m. with skits, children's catechism, Bible stories and recreation. Our Fall sessions will be lots of fun and educational; hope to see your kids there!

RESERVATIONS FOR WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP DINNER - dinners resume this week. Please make every effort to make your reservation by 3:00 p.m. on Monday of each week. Please complete a yellow card from the pew rack and place in the offering plate or email church.kitchen@midwaypca.org.

Wednesday Fellowship Dinner

August 31st – 5:30-6:30PM

Pizza, Salad, 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, Aug. 28th

- 9:35** Georgia Williams, Alicia Bartlett
- 10:45** Lucy Todd, Patrick McKinney, Laura MacGregor, Lauren Hash, Karen & Isabella Parker, Ashlie Thomas
- 5:50** Gabby Stevens, Becky Lewis, Karen Barnett

THOSE SERVING, Sunday, Sept. 4th

- 9:35** Ruth Dewhurst, Dan & Karen Widner
- 10:45** Hannah Livingston, Sarah Vincenzi, Sarah McKinney, Molly & Sierra Way, Alexia Zumbum, Mattie Grace Hankal, Alex Widner
- 5:50** Heather Clark, Trevor & Aniston Stevens

SPECIAL CARE MINISTRY

- Sunday, Aug. 28th** Clay David Jr., Jeff Talley
- Sunday, Sept. 4th** Phil Dudt, Alex Whitaker

CHILDREN’S CHURCH

(contact brad.winsted@midwaypca.org)

- Sunday, Aug. 28th** **A.M. Service** Lara Fuller, Amber Michael
- Sunday, Sept. 4th** **A.M. Service** Heinz & Gisela Bockle
- Sunday, Aug. 28th** **P.M. Service** Kate Harrington

Congregational Prayer Needs: Dottie Rooker, Jerry Hobbs, Judy Allen, Sandy Boyd, Charlie Waters, Ava Nunn, Clay David, Shirley Holcomb, Dianne Guy, Dorothy Taylor, Fred Warren, Tasker Russell, Louise Lovinggood

Our expectant families: Jimmy & Katie Cooper, Ben & Heidi Thomas, Stewart & Bethany Adams, Megan (Hall) and Steffan Nunn, Russ & Heather Knight

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: Joe and Bev Fitzpatrick, MTW Puerto Rico

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	Romans	Cafeteria	Harvester	Ephesians	FH
Women	Paul’s Letters	FH			
College		FH	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

August 28, 2016
6:00 PM

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

***PSALM OF PRAISE** Psalms for Worship, 99B

***INVOCATION**

***HYMN OF PRAISE** “Grace! ‘Tis a Charming Sound” #462

PRAYER

UNISON READING Westminster Confession of Faith 17:1-2 p. 858

***HYMN OF PREPARATION** “Blessed Jesus, at Your Word” #303
(Children dismissed)

SCRIPTURE READING Galatians 1:1-10

SERMON “What Alters and then Astonishes an Apostle?” Rev. David Hall

***PSALM OF AFFIRMATION** “How Firm a Foundation” #94

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

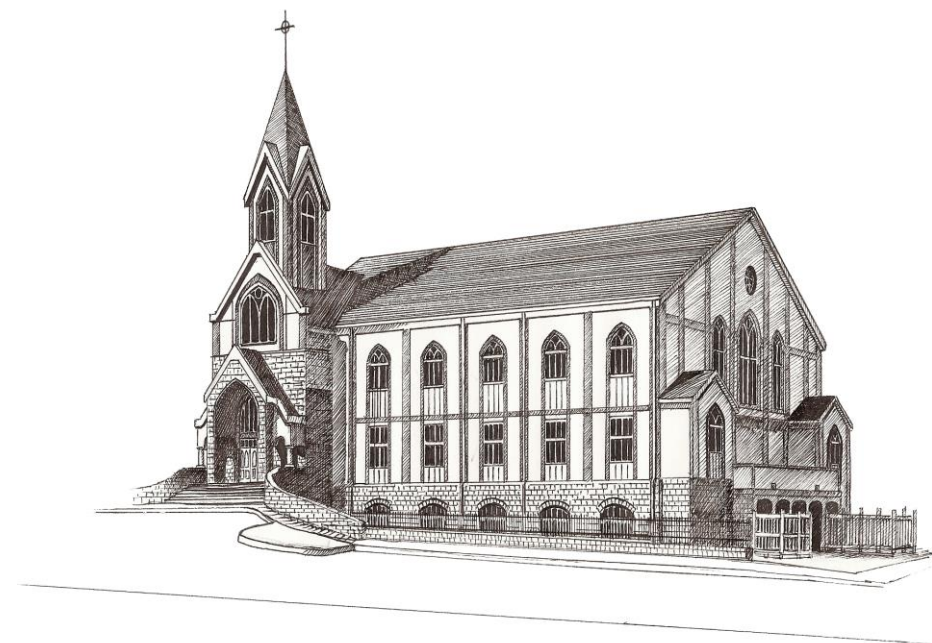
John Bunyan from his *Grace Abounding to the Chief of Sinners* on Galatians.

“But before I had got thus far out of these my temptations, I did greatly long to see some ancient godly man’s experience... Well, after many such longings in my mind, the God in whose hands are all our days and ways, did cast into my hand, one day, a book of Martin Luther; it was his comment on the Galatians -- it also was so old that it was ready to fall piece from piece if I did but turn it over. Now I was pleased much that such an old book had fallen into my hands; the which, when I had but a little way perused, I found my condition, in his experience, so largely and profoundly handled, as if his book had been written out of my heart. This made me marvel; for thus thought I, This man could not know anything of the state of Christians now, but must needs write and speak the experience of former days.

But, of particulars here I intend nothing; only this, methinks, I must let fall before all men, **I do prefer this book of Martin Luther upon the Galatians, excepting the Holy Bible, before all the books that ever I have seen**, as most fit for a wounded conscience.”

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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.”