

# THE LORD'S DAY

NOVEMBER 27, 2016

11:00 a.m.

**PRELUDE** *I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say* arr. Fedak

## CALL TO WORSHIP

**\*\*HYMN OF PRAISE** "Faith of Our Fathers!" #570

## \*\*INVOCATION(Unison)

Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which Your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when He shall come again in His glorious Majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal, through Him who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, now and ever. Amen

**\*HYMN OF RESPONSE** "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel" #194

## 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

**\*DOXOLOGY** #731

## \*THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

**PSALTER READING** Psalm 110 p. 825

**ANTHEM** *As Pants the Hart for Cooling Streams* K.L. Scott

As pants the hart for cooling streams when heated in the chase,  
So longs my soul for Thee, O God, and Thy refreshing grace.

For Thee, O God, the living God, My thirsty soul doth pine;  
O when shall I behold Thy face, Thou Majesty divine.

Why restless, why cast down, my soul? Trust God, and He'll employ  
His aid for thee, and change these sighs to thankful hymns of joy.

Why restless, why cast down, my soul? Hope still: and thou shalt sing  
The praise of Him who is thy God, Thy health's eternal Spring.

**\*HYMN OF PREPARATION** "Lift Up Your heads, Ye Mighty Gates!" #198  
*(Children K4-1st grade dismissed to children's church.)*

**SCRIPTURE** Luke 1:5-25

**SERMON** "Faith Just Prior to Advent" Rev. David Hall

**\*HYMN OF AFFIRMATION** "Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come" #195

**\*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** *Recessional* Fedak

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

\*Congregation please stand  
\*\*Deacons will seat late arrivals

*We are pleased to present June Marie Cooper, the covenant child of Katie and Jimmy Cooper for the sacrament of baptism.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*We extend our Christian love and sympathy to George and Debbie Taylor upon the death of George's mother Dorothy Taylor.*

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** - The Session has scheduled a congregational meeting for December 11, 2016, following the morning worship for the purpose of electing officers. Please plan to attend. Bio sketches of candidates are available in the Narthex.

**CHILDREN'S AND YOUTH CHOIRS** will have a very important dress rehearsal this Wednesday, November 30<sup>th</sup>. Singers, please be in the Sanctuary at 5:45.

**OFFERING ENVELOPES** - If you would like to receive preprinted envelopes, please sign up on the table in the back of the sanctuary. If you have already signed up, please pick up your envelopes at this same table.

**DECORATING FOR CHRISTMAS** - Men and women of all ages are invited to decorate the church for Christmas on Tuesday, November 29<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. This is a fun event and your help would be greatly appreciated!

**CHRISTMAS BASKETS** - Please join us to bless and be blessed on Tuesday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am. The Women in the Church will assemble and deliver baskets of goodies to dear ones in our covenant family. Donations of fruit, baked goods & candy are needed. Sign up in Sunday School or at WIC table. If you know of someone who should receive a basket, please email [MidwayWIC@gmail.com](mailto:MidwayWIC@gmail.com) or call/text 404/465-0141.

**POINSETTIAS FOR CHRISTMAS** - If you would like to donate a poinsettia in honor/memory of a loved one, please sign up at the Women's Ministry table or in Sunday School. We will take orders through December 18<sup>th</sup>. The cost is \$10 each. For more information contact Georgia Williams 404-518-1184.

**RECEPTION FOR CHILDREN'S PROGRAM VOLUNTEERS**-Children's Sunday School teachers/volunteers, Wednesday night workers, VBS volunteers and Children's Church Helpers (along with their spouses and children) will be recognized at a reception immediately after the Sunday Night Service on December 4<sup>th</sup> in the Fellowship Hall. Christmas Snacks will be served.

You are cordially invited to attend

*A Program of Christmas Music*  
*The Cherub Choir, Midway Singers, One Accord*  
*Midway Ringers*

Sunday Evening, December 4, 2016  
6:00 p.m. Worship Service

## WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

 (nursery available for Bible Studies held at church)

- The Circle of Grace has concluded their Fall session and will resume meeting each Tuesday morning on January 17<sup>th</sup>. Plan to join us as we study "New Testament Letters to the Church" through mid-May.
- The Ladies Evening Bible Study meets the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays of every month. We will be studying Praying with Paul by Dr. D.A. Carson. Contact Joyce Talley at 770-499-8145.
- Ruth Circle meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Sunday School room. Our text this year is "The Promised One - Seeing Jesus in Genesis" by Nancy Guthrie. Contact Ann Tippins 770-427-3607.

## MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

 (contact [marc.harrington@midwaypca.org](mailto:marc.harrington@midwaypca.org))

- Pastor Hall's Thursday study on Genesis meets at 12:00 in the Harvester class room.
- Pastor Harrington's Wednesday study meets at 7:00 a.m. at the Daily Grind.
- 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, December 5<sup>th</sup>.

## YOUTH NEWS

 (contact [ben.thomas@midwaypca.org](mailto:ben.thomas@midwaypca.org))

- High School Homerun (a monthly fellowship for High School students) is TONIGHT (11/27) after the evening worship service.
- Middle School Christmas party will be on December 11<sup>th</sup>, after the evening service.
- High School Progressive Dinner will be on December 16<sup>th</sup>.

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

 (contact [brad.winsted@midwaypca.org](mailto: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 1<sup>st</sup> graders.
- Wednesday night Kid's Club starts at 7:00 p.m. We are beginning a new series, "How to Fight the Deceiver" with accompanying Children's Catechism Questions. Don't miss the fun!

## Wednesday Fellowship Dinner

November 30<sup>th</sup> - 5:30-6:30PM

Mexican, Dessert, Tea and Coffee

**YOU MUST MAKE RESERVATIONS** [church.kitchen@midwaypca.org](mailto: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, contact Jennifer Nichols – [nursery@midwaypca.org](mailto:nursery@midwaypca.org)

### **THOSE SERVING, Sunday, Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>**

**9:35** Gail & Rick Griffin, Ed Knox  
**10:45** Shea Buehler, Lily & Suzy Buehler, Abigail Crouse, Leah Knox, Rebecca Michelson, Lucy Todd, Polly & Richard Vogh  
**5:50** Becky Lewis, Shelley Remington

### **THOSE SERVING, Sunday, Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>**

**9:35** Rebecca MacGregor, Ann Hall, Alicia Bartlett  
**10:45** Ryan Zumburum, Pebbles Shankman, Patrick McKinney, Laura MacGregor, Loretta Gilmer,  
**5:50** Faye Hood, Jerry & Becky Blades

## SPECIAL CARE MINISTRY

Those interested in serving in the special care ministries, contact Bobbi Mitchell – [special.care@midwaypca.org](mailto:special.care@midwaypca.org)

**Sunday, Nov. 27<sup>th</sup>** Justin Fuller  
**Sunday, Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>** Alex Whitaker

## CHILDREN'S CHURCH

(contact [brad.winsted@midwaypca.org](mailto:brad.winsted@midwaypca.org))

**Sunday, Nov. 27<sup>th</sup>** **A.M. Service** John & Carolyn Garmon  
**Sunday, Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>** **A.M. Service** Georgia Williams, Sarah McKinney

**Congregational Prayer Needs:** Dottie Rooker, Jerry Hobbs, Judy Allen, Sandy Boyd, Charlie Waters, Ava Nunn, Clay David, Fred Warren, Tasker Russell

**Our expectant families:** Stewart & Bethany Adams, Megan (Hall) and Steffan Nunn, Russ & Heather Knight, Brittany & Stuart Michelson, Jane & Brady Pritchett, Kylie & Cameron Day

**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:** Vijay Raju –India

**Church of the Week:** Christ Community Church - Kennesaw

## **SUNDAY SCHOOL - 9:45 a.m.**

### **Adult**

Class	Subject of Study	Location	Class	Subject of Study	Location
Explorers	Book of Amos	FH	Fellowship	Ezra and Nehemiah	FH
Grace	Romans	FH (Middle)	Harvester	Ephesians	FH
Women	Paul's Letters	FH			

### **College** FH **Children** (classes are under the 1987 sanctuary)

<b>Youth</b>			4-5 <sup>th</sup> grade	A5
High school	Youth Assembly Room		2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade	A6
Middle school	FH		1 <sup>st</sup> 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

## EVENING WORSHIP

November 27, 2016

6:00 PM

### PRELUDE

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Matthew 2:2

### \*PSALM OF PRAISE

Psalms for Worship, 2B

### \*INVOCATION

### \*HYMN OF PRAISE

“Good Christian Men, Rejoice”

#207

### PRAYER

### CONFESSION OF FAITH Westminster Larger Catechism #34-36

**Pastor:** How was the covenant of grace administered under the Old Testament?

**People:** **The covenant of grace was administered under the Old Testament, by promises, prophecies, sacrifices, circumcision, the passover, and other types and ordinances, which did all fore-signify Christ then to come, and were for that time sufficient to build up the elect in faith in the promised Messiah, by whom they then had full remission of sin, and eternal salvation.**

**Pastor:** How is the covenant of grace administered under the New Testament?

**People:** **Under the New Testament, when Christ the substance was exhibited, the same covenant of grace was and still is to be administered in the preaching of the Word, and the administration of the sacraments of Baptism and the Lord's Supper; in which grace and salvation are held forth in more fullness, evidence, and efficacy, to all nations.**

**Pastor:** Who is the Mediator of the covenant of grace?

**People:** **The only Mediator of the covenant of grace is the Lord Jesus Christ, who, being the eternal Son of God, of one substance and equal with the Father, [ in the fullness of time became man, [ and so was and continues to be God and man, in two entire distinct natures, and one person, forever.**

### SPECIAL MUSIC “There Shall a Star From Jacob Come Forth” Mrs. Nancy Pritchett

### \*HYMN OF PREPARATION

“Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence”

#193

(Children dismissed)

### SCRIPTURE READING

Numbers 24:15-19

### SERMON “A Star From Jacob, A Scepter from Israel: A Gift For Us”

Mr. William Ashworth

### \*HYMN OF AFFIRMATION

“What Child is This?”

#213

### BENEDICTION

### POSTLUDE

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## MIDWAY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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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.”

1 Timothy 1:15