

EASTER

April 16, 2017
11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE *Alleluias* R. Lau

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** "Worship Christ, the Risen King!" #286

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 *Crown Him with Many Crowns* arr. Biery

***DOXOLOGY** #731

*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 *Easter Aria and Chorale* J.S. Bach
So be not afraid, so be not afraid, Christ rose from the dead, arose from the dead.
Arise! Arise! He rose from the dead.

Ye who seek Jesus, ye who seek Jesus, ye who seek Jesus of Nazareth,
who was crucified, who was crucified.
He is now arisen. He is now arisen, arisen and is not here. Arise! Arise!

So be not afraid, so be not afraid, Christ rose from the dead, arose from the dead.
Arise! Arise! He rose from the dead.

Christ is arisen from the dead. Praise God, sing alleluia.
All fears of death from me have fled. Praise God, sing alleluia.
Christ hath ascended upon high. When death's sure call to me is nigh,
I'll follow Thee rejoicing, I'll follow Thee rejoicing.

***HYMN OF PREPARATION** "Alleluia! Alleluia!" #283
** *(Dismissal of children ages 4 and 5 to Children's Church)*

SCRIPTURE Luke 9:21-22; 17:25; 24:1-12

SERMON "Easter: Real News . . . that is Great News" Rev. David Hall

***HYMN OF AFFIRMATION** "The Day of Resurrection!" #267

*THE BENEDICTION

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE** *Hallelujah!* G.F. Handel

***POSTLUDE** *We Know That Christ Is Raised!* D. Cherwein

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

*Congregation please stand
**Deacons will seat late arrivals

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GRADUATING SENIORS – If you have a graduating senior, please get their information to Ben Thomas (ben.thomas@midwaypca.org) by April 30th for recognition in the Youth Sunday evening service on May 7th. Please include full name, from where the student is graduating, and future plans.

BABY SHOWER - All ladies are invited to a baby shower for Kylie Day at 10:00 a.m. on April 22nd. Cameron & Kylie are registered at Target and Amazon.

BRIDAL SHOWER – All ladies are invited to a bridal shower for Regan Swafford (fiancé of Zach Adams) at 10:00 a.m. on April 29th. Zach and Regan are registered at Amazon & Belk.

SPRING PICNIC AND HAITI TRIP FUNDRAISER--Join us for our annual Spring picnic on May 13th, 4:00 p.m. at the pavilion and field as we enjoy food, bouncies, games, and a chance to make a donation to the short term trip to Haiti. All food is provided and all ages are welcome.

ALL LADIES ARE INVITED TO THE WOMEN'S SPRING EVENT on Tuesday, April 25th at 7:00 pm. We hope you will join us for a time of fellowship, dessert, and honoring our Graduating High School Seniors. There is no charge. Sign up in Sunday School or by emailing womensministry@midwaypca.org. Nursery is by reservation, please email Jennifer Nichols @ nursery@midwaypca.org.

MIDWAY COVENANT CHRISTIAN SCHOOL is currently accepting employment applications for full time teaching positions. Eligible candidates should have a degree in teaching. You may drop by the school office Monday to pick up an application or email midwayoffice@midwayschool.org. Contact Barbara Kline at 770-590-1866 for more information.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY (nursery available for Bible Studies held at church)

- The Weekly Tuesday Bible Study has concluded our most recent series. We will study I & II Peter each Tuesday morning during the month of June. Childcare will be provided. If you are not currently on this group e-mail list and would like to attend in June, please sign up on the Women's Ministry table.
- The Ladies Evening Bible Study meets the 1st & 3rd 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 3rd 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)

- Pastor Hall's Thursday study on Genesis meets at 12:00 in the Harvester class room.
- Pastor Harrington's Wednesday study at the Daily Grind meets at 7:00 a.m.
- 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, April 24th.

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

- Wednesday Night Youth Group will meet in the Youth Assembly Room at 7pm. Please join us as we continue our study in 1 John.
- High School Homerun (a monthly fellowship for High School students) is NEXT WEEK (4/23) after the evening worship service.
- High School RYM is July 10-15. Please see Ben if you are interested in going or have questions.
- Middle School Summer Ridgehaven retreat will be July 17-21. Please see Ben if you are interested in going or have questions.

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..
- SUMMER CAMP: Every summer Midway Presbyterian Church recommends and offers partial scholarships for kids to attend Camp Westminster in Conyers. The Camp offers many alternatives for kids 6 and up. Remember NOT to sign up the week of our VBS June 5-9, but any other time would be great! Contact the camp at 770-483-2225 or www.campwestminster.org. Please use the code "MWAY" when you register your child for a discount/scholarship.
- Vacation Bible School (VBS) will be June 5-9. The Theme will be "Daniel-Glorifying God in all We Do". Contact Brad Winsted or Michelle Mitchell if you desire to help, we need lots of volunteer help.

Wednesday Fellowship Dinner

April 19th – 5:30-6:30PM

BBQ and Corn Dogs, 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, contact Jennifer Nichols – nursery@midwaypca.org

THOSE SERVING, Sunday, April 16th

- 9:35** Judy Mazzeo, Jamie Ross
10:45 Kristi Collett, Jessica Joiner, Lee Kopp, Tonie & Jared Negron, Stacie Redwine, Leah & Olivia Redwine, Jean Ross, Kim Smith
5:50 Karen Barnett, Gabby Stevens

THOSE SERVING, Sunday, April 23rd

- 9:35** Gail & Rick Griffin, Ann Hall
10:45 Suzy & Lily Buehler, Shea Buehler, Abigail Crouse, Loretta Gilmer, Amber & David Jackson, Lucy Todd
5:50 Amy Harber, Becky Lewis, Breanna Robinson

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

(contact brad.winsted@midwaypca.org)

- Sunday, April 16th** **A.M. Service** Mary Judy, Amber Michael
Sunday, April 23rd **A.M. Service** John & Carolyn Garmon

Congregational Prayer Needs: Dottie Rooker, Jerry Hobbs, Judy Allen, Sandy Boyd, Charlie Waters, Ava Nunn, Clay David, Fred Warren, Wilson Smith, Robin Hood

Our expectant families: Stewart & Bethany Adams, Jane & Brady Pritchett, Kylie & Cameron Day, Ashley (Way) & Nate Sivadon, Brandy & Patrick Rockholz, Chad & Katie Keel, Christian & Rebecca Michelson

Our Military Personnel: 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 & Ruth (Winsted) Felker, Brent Henson, Payne Underwood, Tabatha Nicholson

Midway Covenant Christian School

Missionaries of the Month: Steve & Ann Lutz – SIM – USA, Andy & Sue Peck – WBT, Orlando-Eurasia, Steve & Kathy Womack – WBT, Waxhaw – Africa, Peter & Diane Bakelaar – MTW, Japan

Church of the Week: Grace Presbyterian Church - Cedartown

SUNDAY SCHOOL - 9:45 a.m.

Adult

Class	Subject of Study	Location	Class	Subject of Study	Location
Explorers	Book of Job	FH	Fellowship	Great Prayers of the Scriptures	FH
Grace	Romans	FH (Middle)	Harvester	Jeremiah	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	FH		1 st grade	A2
Infant-3 yr. old	Nursery		K4 & K5	A1

MIDWAY OFFICERS

Active Ruling Elders

Class of 2018: Clay David, Scott Keese, James Scott, Jim Wolff
Class of 2020: Don Barnett, John Garmon, Rodney Pritchett, Jeff Talley
Class of 2022: Phil Dudt, Ernie Hawley, Wes Richardson, Bob Whitaker

Active Deacons

Class of 2017: Cliff Miller, Harris Robinson, Phil Schrock, Chris Vincenzi
Class of 2018: Greg Bartlett, Dan Crouse, Cameron Day, Brady Pritchett, Ryan Zumbrum
Class of 2020: Brian Adams, Rick Griffin, John Livingston, Sammy Mitchell, Evanda Remington

EVENING WORSHIP

April 16, 2017
6:00 PM

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

***HYMN OF PRAISE** "For All the Saints" #358

*INVOCATION

***PSALM OF PRAISE** Psalms for Worship, 90B

PRAYER

CONFESSION OF OUR FAITH Westminster Confession of Faith 32:1-2

The bodies of men, after death, return to dust, and see corruption: but their souls, which neither die nor sleep, having an immortal subsistence, immediately return to God who gave them: the souls of the righteous, being then made perfect in holiness, are received into the highest heavens, where they behold the face of God, in light and glory, waiting for the full redemption of their bodies. And the souls of the wicked are cast into hell, where they remain in torments and utter darkness, reserved to the judgment of the great day. Beside these two places, for souls separated from their bodies, the Scripture acknowledgeth none.

At the last day, such as are found alive shall not die, but be changed: and all the dead shall be raised up, with the self-same bodies, and none other (although with different qualities), which shall be united again to their souls for ever. 3. The bodies of the unjust shall, by the power of Christ, be raised to dishonour: the bodies of the just, by His Spirit, unto honour; and be made conformable to His own glorious body.

***HYMN OF PREPARATION** "Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending" #318
(Children dismissed)

SCRIPTURE READING Romans 8:18-25

SERMON "Longing for Resurrection" Rev. Marc Harrington

***HYMN OF AFFIRMATION** "There Is a Land of Pure Delight" #550

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

THE LORD'S DAY

CELEBRATING THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS CHRIST

APRIL 16, 2017



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REV. TODD ALLEN, PASTOR EMERITUS

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)*