

THE LORD'S DAY

DECEMBER 3, 2017

11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE *Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus* arr. Langlois

CALL TO WORSHIP

****HYMN OF PRAISE** "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" #196

**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

PRAYER Rev. Marc Harrington

WELCOME

(Please sign the registration pad with complete address)

THE GIVING OF GOD'S TITHES AND YOUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence* arr. McDonald

***DOXOLOGY** #731

*THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

PSALTER READING Psalm 37:1-9 p. 797

ANTHEM *Over the Hills Young Mary Hastes* Eccard

Over the hills young Mary hastes to see her kin Elizabeth.
As Mary greets her, hands upraised, Elizabeth sings Mary's praise,
and calls her mother of the Lord. Then Mary's heart joyfully soared:
My soul proclaims God's greatness; My spirit now rejoices;
He is my Savior and my God; He evermore, he evermore is merciful;
He evermore, he evermore is merciful.

Why sit we idly then about? Let us go also to the mount so that our
greeting may impart the Spirit's entrance to each heart,
whereby the heart glad songs shall raise and lips exult in faithful praise:
My soul proclaims God's greatness; My spirit now rejoices;
He is my Savior and my God; He evermore, he evermore is merciful;
He evermore, he evermore is merciful.

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

SCRIPTURE Luke 12:1-12

SERMON "What Not to Fear" 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 *Prepare the Royal Highway* W. Held

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

*Congregation please stand
**Deacons will seat late arrivals

The pulpit flowers were given in honor of Todd and Judy Allen's anniversary.

Sermon Outline: What not to Fear
Luke 12:1-12

The wrong kind of fear is to fear any thing that is created. To respect some aspect of creation more than the Lord's commands is a misplaced and sinful fear.

1. The first thing not to fear: that truth will come out and motives will be exposed (1-3).
2. Second: Don't fear those who can do bodily damage only (4-7).
3. Third: Don't fear embarrassment because of public association with Christ (8-10).

What the Blasphemy of the Holy Spirit is and is not:

4. Finally, Don't fear testifying even before the powerful (11-12).

*You are cordially invited to attend the
Children's & Youth Choirs Christmas Program,
The Cherub Choir
Midway Singers
One Accord
tonight at 6:00 p.m.*

A SERVICE OF LESSONS AND CAROLS
MIDWAY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SUNDAY DECEMBER 10, 2017
6:00 P.M.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING – A congregational meeting to elect deacons for the class of 2021 (deacons only) will follow the morning worship service on December 10th. Approved for nomination for this office are: Joe Hash, Cliff Miller, Patrick Rockholz, Phil Schrock and Chris Vincenzi. Bio sketches of candidates are available in the Narthex.

POINSETTIAS FOR CHRISTMAS - WIC will, again, be ordering poinsettias to decorate the sanctuary during the Christmas season. If you would like to donate a poinsettia in honor of or in memory of a loved one, please sign up at the WIC table or in a Sunday School class. We will take orders through December 3rd. The cost is \$10 each. For more information, contact Calli Pritchett at (770) 841-6065.

WOMEN'S CHRISTMAS EVENT- All ladies are invited to join us on Tuesday, Dec. 5th at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Enjoy a catered meal while hearing of The Light that Shines in the Darkness. The cost is \$5. You may sign-up at the WIC table or in a Sunday School class. For more information, contact Calli Pritchett at (770) 841-6065.

ANGEL TREE & LITTLE LAMBS - Each year at Christmas we have the opportunity to provide gifts for the children at Cobb Street Ministries (Little Lambs) and children of prisoners (Angel Tree sponsored by Prison Fellowship Ministries). The "Lambs" and "Angels" will be in our fellowship hall lobby for you to pick up. There will be detailed instructions and a list to sign indicating which lamb or angel you chose. The deadline for bringing gifts to the church is December 10th. Drivers are needed to deliver the gifts. If you can help or would like more information, contact Calli Pritchett at 770-841-6065.

CHRISTMAS BASKETS - The WIC will be assembling and delivering baskets of goodies to people in our covenant family on Tuesday, Dec. 12th. Volunteers are needed to donate fruit, baked goods, candy, etc. for the baskets, as well as help assembling and delivering the baskets. Sign-up sheets will be sent around to the Sunday School classes and on the WIC table. If you have questions or know of anyone who should receive a basket, contact Katie Edwards 404-790-9907 or katiebedwards@gmail.com.

MISSIONARIES JOHN AND KATHY LESONDAK, visiting December 17th for morning worship and a pot luck lunch following. Please join us in hearing about the work in Slovakia. If you will be attending, please bring a dish of food to share. Drinks will be provided.

COLLEGE AND CAREER BIBLE STUDY (contact david.barry@midwaypca.org)

- This study is held every other Tuesday at 7:30 PM at David and Katie Barry's home. The next meeting will be Tuesday, Dec. 12th.

YOUTH NEWS (contact ronny.hull@midwaypca.org)

- High School Girls Bible Study - Monday, 7:00 PM @ Katie Cooper's home
- High School Guys Bible Study - Thursdays, 7:30PM @ Ronny's House
- Middle School Guys Bible Study - Sunday, 5:00 PM @ Midway Library
- High School Progressive Dinner, Dec. 9th.
- Middle School Christmas Party, Dec. 10th

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

- Ruth Circle meets monthly and is studying the Nancy Guthrie series about seeing Jesus in the Old Testament. This study is "The Word of the Lord: Seeing Jesus in the Prophets." Contact Ann Tippins 770-427-3607.

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

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

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 CHRISTMAS PARTY, Wednesday, December 13, Cookie Swap- Bring your own favorite Christmas cookies for a swap. Christmas Crafts and Special lesson. This will be the last Wednesday kid's program until the new year.

Wednesday Fellowship Dinner

December 6th – 5:15-6:30PM

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: \$5.00, Children: \$3.00, (10 & under) \$23 family maximum.

NURSERY NEWS

Those interested in serving in the nursery, contact Jennifer Nichols – nursery@midwaypca.org

THOSE SERVING, Sunday, Dec. 3rd

- 9:35** Jacob & Kallie McGill
10:45 Susan Biondolillo Anna & Maria Biondolillo, Mattie Grace Hankal, Terri Kayler, Laura Keesee, Bobbi Mitchell, Abigail Smith Alexia Zumbrum
5:50 Paula Wilson

THOSE SERVING, Sunday, Dec. 10th

- 9:35** Diane Armstrong Jamie Ross
10:45 Lauren Hash, Rochelle LePor, Debbie Raessler Gracie Siewert
5:50 Jerry & Becky Blades, Kim Jones

SPECIAL CARE MINISTRY

Those interested in serving in the special care ministries, contact Bobbi Mitchell – special.care@midwaypca.org

Sunday, Dec. 3rd Anne & Jack Herbert, Dan Michael
Sunday, Dec. 10th Bob Whitaker

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

(contact brad.winsted@midwaypca.org)

Sunday, Dec. 3rd **A.M. Service** John & Carolyn Garmon
Sunday, Dec. 10th **A.M. Service** Lisa Henson

Congregational Prayer Needs: Dottie Rooker, Jerry Hobbs, Judy Allen, Sandy Boyd, Charlie Waters, Ava Nunn, Fred Warren, Wilson Smith, Robin Hood, Leon Combs, Jerry Blades, Sandy Burton, Todd Allen

Our expectant families: Shelley & Evanda Remington, Devon & Sean Dunehew, Jacob & Carissa Robinson, Breanna (Robinson) & Asher Johnson

Our Military Personnel: Nate Forrester, Wiley Pritchett, John S. Tilley, Bradley Winsted and Samuel Winsted, William Vogh, Brady Pritchett, Greg Hawley, 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: Justin & Elizabeth Clement – RUF, UGA, Dan & Rebecca Gregoire – MTW, Slovakia, Mike & Robin McMahan – MTW, Zimbabwe, Linda Wixon – MTW, Japan

Church of the Week: Hope Presbyterian Church – Marietta

Christmas at Midway



December 3rd

6:00 p.m.

*Children's & Youth Choirs
Christmas Program*

December 10th

6:00 p.m.

Service of Lessons and Carols

December 24th

5:30 p.m.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

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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.

"Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners."

1 Timothy 1:15