

THE LORD'S DAY

DECEMBER 24, 2017

11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

****HYMN OF PRAISE** "While by the Sheep We Watched at Night" #215

*INVOCATION (Unison)

O Lord, who has given us cause for perpetual joy by the coming of Your Son our Savior among us; Raise up Your power, we pray, and possess us with a mighty sense of Your wonderful love; that whereas through the cares of this life we are sorely impeded and hindered in running the race that is set before us, we may be anxious for nothing, but thankfully commending ourselves in everything to Your bountiful grace and mercy, the peace of You our God, which passes all understanding, may keep our hearts and minds; through the satisfaction of Your Son our Lord, to whom with You and the Holy Spirit be honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

***HYMN OF RESPONSE** "Good Christian Men, Rejoice" #207

PRAYER

Rev. David Barry

WELCOME

(Please sign the registration pad with complete address)

THE GIVING OF GOD'S TITHES AND YOUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Songs At The Manger

arr. Rouse

*DOXOLOGY

#731

*THE OFFERTORY PRAYER

UNISON SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 11:1-9

¹ A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse; from his roots a Branch will bear fruit. ² The Spirit of the LORD will rest on him—the Spirit of wisdom and of understanding, the Spirit of counsel and of might, the Spirit of the knowledge and fear of the LORD—³ and he will delight in the fear of the LORD.

He will not judge by what he sees with his eyes, or decide by what he hears with his ears; ⁴ but with righteousness he will judge the needy, with justice he will give decisions for the poor of the earth. He will strike the earth with the rod of his mouth; with the breath of his lips he will slay the wicked. ⁵ Righteousness will be his belt and faithfulness the sash around his waist.

⁶ The wolf will live with the lamb, the leopard will lie down with the goat, the calf and the lion and the yearling[a] together; and a little child will lead them. ⁷ The cow will feed with the bear, their young will lie down together, and the lion will eat straw like the ox. ⁸ The infant will play near the cobra's den, and the young child will put its hand into the viper's nest. ⁹ They will neither harm nor destroy on all my holy mountain, for the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea.

ANTHEM

Still, Still, Still!

arr. Shepperd

Still, still, still, how the Christ-child sleeps so still.
The virgin softly, sweetly singing, while above the angels winging.
Still, still, still, how the Christ-child sleeps so still.

Hear, hear, hear heavenly voices sound so clear.
Now gently soothe the royal babe while silent starlight manger bathes,
Hear, hear, hear heavenly voices sound so clear.

Sleep, sleep sleep precious Child of hope now sleep.
The Son of God comes down from above, filling our hearts with endless love.
Sleep, sleep, sleep precious Child of hope, now sleep.
Child of hope, now sleep.

HYMN OF PREPARATION

"Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"

#221

(Children K4-1st grade dismissed to children's church.)

SCRIPTURE

Revelation 12

SERMON "The Pregnant Woman, the Child-King, and the Dragon" Rev. David Hall

*HYMN OF AFFIRMATION

"Once in Royal David's City"

#225

*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

Angels We Have Heard on High

arr. Albrecht

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

*Congregation please stand

**Deacons will seat late arrivals

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

tonight at 5:30 p.m.

*If you purchased a poinsettia,
please pick it up after the Christmas Eve Service*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please remember your church in your year-end giving. Your faithful generosity helps Midway to serve the Lord with all our gifts and talents.

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS will be taken down on Thursday, the 28th at 10:00 a.m. Volunteers are always helpful.

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

- This study is for college-age through early 30s and is held every other week at 7:30 PM at David and Katie Barry's home. Due to the Christmas break, the next meeting will be Tuesday, Jan. 9th.

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

- No Wednesday night activities until the new year
- Youth Bible studies will resume in the new year.

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

- The Ladies Tuesday Morning Bible Study will resume on January 16 when we will begin the study of Joshua. All are invited to join us each Tuesday morning at 10:00 in the fellowship hall. Taught by Carol Combs, this 16-week study will continue through May 8th.
- 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 at the Daily Grind will resume on Jan. 10th.
- 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.

~~Wednesday Fellowship Dinner~~

NO DINNER THIS WEEK.

Regular Wednesday night dinner will resume January 10th

NURSERY NEWS

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

THOSE SERVING, Sunday, Dec. 24th

9:35 Rachael Eister, Gail & Rick Griffin
10:45 Amber & David Jackson, Lee Kopp, Jared Negron, Richard & Polly Vogh, Molly & Sierra Way
5:50 Becky Lewis, Nancy Pritchett

THOSE SERVING, Sunday, Dec. 31st

9:35 Ed Knox,
10:45 Laura MacGregor Karen & Isabella Parker, Stephanie Wofford,
5:50 Kate Harrington Sandra Westerfield

SPECIAL CARE MINISTRY

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

Sunday, Dec. 24th Scott Keesee, Alex Whitaker

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

Our expectant families: Devon & Sean Duneheew, 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: Smyrna Presbyterian Church - Smyrna

SUNDAY SCHOOL - 9:45 a.m.

Adult

Class	Subject of Study	Location	Class	Subject of Study	Location
Explorers	Colossians	FH	Fellowship	Acts	FH
Grace	2 Samuel	FH (Middle)	Harvester	1 & 2 Peter	FH
Women	Paul's Letters	Conf. Room			

Children (classes are under the 1987 sanctuary)

Youth	Location	Class	Location
4-5 th grade			A5
High school	Youth Assembly Room	3 rd grade	A6
Middle school	FH	1 st & 2 nd grade	A2
Infant-3 yr. old	Nursery	K4 & K5	A1



Thank you to all who donated poinsettias to decorate our sanctuary.

Benjamin Adams	Honor	Parents, Brian and Melanie
Benjamin Adams	Honor	Family, Stewart and Bethany
The John Adams Family	Memory	Christina's Mom, Janet
Todd and Judy Allen	Memory	Our Parents
Don and Karen Barnett	Memory	Barnett Parents; E.M. Wells
Don and Karen Barnett	Honor	Clera Wells
Jerry and Becky Blades	Honor	To the Glory of God
Jerry and Becky Blades	Memory	Mack and Betty Lou Davis
Heinz and Gisela Bockle	Memory	Donna Way
Mel and Barb Bokhoven	Memory	Simon and Wilma Bokhoven
Mel and Barb Bokhoven	Memory	T.J. and Margaret Vermeer
Dick and Patti Brandenburg	Memory	Patti's Mother, Stella Dean Chester
Mary Bullard	Memory	John Bullard
Tom and Janis Cheatham	Memory	Don and Mary Johnson
Doug and Dena Clapp	Memory	J.W. and Frances Fowler; Camelia Clapp
The Clark Family	Memory	Mike Kelsey
Sandra Cleland	Memory	John and Novie Sanders
The Dudt Family	Memory	Philip and Charlotte Dudt
The Dudt Family	Memory	Atkinson and Margaret Holmes
The Dudt Family	Memory	Julie Knox
The Dudt Family	Honor	Todd and Judy Allen

John and Carolyn Garmon	Honor	The Son of God
Ted and Peggy Green	Memory	Our Parents
Rick and Gail Griffin	Honor	Our Parents
Dot Haddox	Memory	Jack Haddox
Ernie and Bonnie Hawley	Memory	Warren and Debra Hawley
Ernie and Bonnie Hawley	Memory	Arthur and Bertha McDaniel
Ernie and Bonnie Hawley	Honor	Our Children and Grandchildren
Jim and Shirley Holcomb	Honor	God's blessings upon us
The Hollis Family	Memory	Brenda Hollis
The Jamerson Family	Memory	Joyce Jamerson
Breanna Johnson	Memory	Nancy Gregory
Bill and Gloria Knight		To the glory of God
Ed Knox	Memory	Julie Knox
Ed Knox	Honor	Leah Knox
Gary and Christine Lanning	Memory	Donna Way
Hugh and Becky Lewis	Memory	Our Parents
Hank and Ginger Ludwig	Honor	Our 46th Anniversary
Rebecca MacGregor	Memory	John P. MacGregor
The MacGregor Children	Honor	Mom, Rebecca MacGregor
Judy Mazzeo	Memory	My Parents, Allen and Ruth Bumgardner
Harold and Donna Mills	Memory	Parents
Harold and Donna Mills	Memory	Grandparents
The Redwines	Memory	Our Parents
Harris and Wanda Robinson	Memory	Vernon Robinson
Jeff and Jean Ross	Memory	Edward and Agnes Kinkel
Jeff and Jean Ross	Memory	Arnold and Regina Ross
Jeff and Jean Ross	Memory	Leah Ann Nolan
Kris Ross	Memory	John Ross
Kris Ross	Memory	Mr. & Mrs. Ross; Mr. & Mrs. Thigpen
Rego and Patsy Rue	Memory	John and Evelyn Rue
Joan Schneider	Memory	Husband, Rudolf, and loved ones
Phil and Patti Schrock	Memory	Pat and Joyce Kinn; Stephen Schrock
James Scott	Memory	Joy Scott
James Scott	Memory	Clyde and Elizabeth Scott
Jeff and Jennifer Siewert	Honor	Our Children
Jeff and Jennifer Siewert	Memory	Jennifer's mom, Marlys
Bill and Ellen Smith	Memory	Son, Douglas Alan Smith
Jeff and Joyce Talley	Memory	Our Parents
Lindsey and Ann Tippins	Memory	C.W. and Edith Tippins
Lindsey and Ann Tippins	Memory	Clyde and Elizabeth Scott
Tom and Lucy Todd	Memory	John and Pearl Todd
Tom and Lucy Todd	Memory	Gene and Mollie Wilbur
Barbara and Pia Trivedi	Memory	Marrianna & Hyre Topps
Dean and Kim Wardlaw	Memory	Leron Wardlaw
Dean and Kim Wardlaw	Honor	Frances Wardlaw
Wendall Way	Memory	My dear wife, Donna
Bob and Cindy Whitaker	Memory	Grady and Lois Hext
Bob and Cindy Whitaker	Memory	Robert H. Whitaker, Sr.
Brad Winsted	Memory	Fawn Winsted
Brad Winsted	Memory	Michael Carver

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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