

THE LORD'S DAY

AUGUST 12, 2018

11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE *Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether* arr. Biery

CALL TO WORSHIP

****HYMN OF PRAISE** "Arise, My Soul, Arise" #305

***INVOCATION**

****THE LORD'S PRAYER (Unison)**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts; as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil; for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

PSALM OF PRAISE Psalms for Worship, 8B

PRAYER Rev. Marc Harrington

WELCOME

(Please sign the registration pad with complete address)

THE GIVING OF GOD'S TITHES AND YOUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *Only Trust Him* arr. Koerts

***DOXOLOGY** #731

***THE OFFERTORY PRAYER**

ANTHEM *My Song Is Love Unknown* arr. Childs

My song is love unknown, my Savior's love to me,
Love to the loveless shown that they might lovely be.
Oh, who am I, that for my sake my Lord should take frail flesh and die?

Sometime they strew his way and his sweet praises sing;
Resounding all the day Hosannas to their King.
Then "Crucify!" is all their breath, and for his death they thirst and cry.

Why, what has my Lord done to cause this rage and spite?
He made the lame to run, and gave the blind their sight.
What injuries! Yet these are why the Lord most high so cruelly dies,
So cruelly dies, my Savior dies, my song of love so cruelly dies.

Here might I stay and sing of him my soul adores.
Never was love, dear King, never was grief like yours!
This is my friend, in whose sweet praise I all my days could gladly spend,
Could gladly spend. My song is love.

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

SCRIPTURE Hebrews 2:5-18

SERMON "Surprises and Superiority: Jesus' Priesthood" Rev. David Hall

SILENT CONFESSION AND EXAMINATION

UNISON CONFESSION Psalm 51

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions. Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me. Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are proved right when you speak and justified when you judge. Surely I was sinful at birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me. Surely you desire truth in the inner parts; you teach me wisdom in the inmost place. Cleanse me with hyssop, and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON 1 John 1:9

"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness."

***HYMN OF PREPARATION** "Bread of the World in Mercy Broken" #425

Invitation to The Lord's Table
Fencing the Table
Words of Institution
Prayer of Consecration
Distribution of The Sacrament
Prayer of Thanksgiving

***HYMN OF AFFIRMATION** "Amazing Grace!" #460

***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 *How Firm a Foundation* arr. Held

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

*Congregation please stand
**Deacons will seat late arrivals

Please join us in welcoming the following new members:

*James & Erika Butler
Matthew & Keely Ogburn
Danny Crouse*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BRIDAL SHOWER – All Midway Ladies are invited to attend a bridal shower for Georgia Williams on August 18th at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. She is registered at Amazon and Target. Please contact Kim Jones @ 678-468-9635 for details.

RECEPTION FOR BRAD WINSTED – Join us on Sunday, August 19th after the evening service as we celebrate and give thanks for Brad Winsted and the 7 years of service he gave as Midway's Children's Director.

LADIES OF ALL AGES are invited to attend the Women's Ministry Fall Kick-off Event on Tuesday, August 28th at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Enjoy tea and fellowship as we are encouraged to 'Serve with Endurance' in the upcoming year. We hope you will join us and bring your own special teacup. 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 by emailing nursery@midwaypca.org.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP DINNERS –will resume on August 29th. Debbie Taylor and Dena Clapp will be coordinating the meals but they need help! Many volunteers will be needed for preparation and serving shifts between 3:45 and 7:15 p.m. each week. Please prayerfully consider joining in this ministry. For more information or to volunteer please contact Dena Clapp @ ddclapp@bellsouth.net or (404) 242-0891.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY – This Fall, our Wednesday night Bible Study (6:30 – 7:15 p.m.) will be a verse by verse study of the Book of Romans. This inspired epistle has changed lives. Please join us for our study.

WEDNESDAY PRAYER MEETING – meets weekly at 7:15 p.m. in the parlor.

CHILDRENS AND YOUTH CHOIRS REGISTRATION continues through August for children grades K4-12th. Registration forms are in the Adult Choir Rehearsal Room located upstairs behind the choir loft. Rehearsals resume Wednesday, August 29th. Contact Judy judy.dodd@midwaypca.org, or 770-422-4974, ext. 106

CHILDREN'S CHOIR VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – Our Cherub Choir for ages K4-1st grade needs an accompanist and an assistant. The music for this age group is very simple, and the accompanist will spend a large portion of rehearsal time assisting the director in ways other than piano. The choir is also in need of an assistant. This position requires no musical training. If you would be willing to volunteer in either capacity, please contact Judy at judy.dodd@midwaypca.org. Thanks!

DINNER FOR EIGHT is a fun, once a month gathering for furthering acquaintances and strengthening church fellowship. Participants will be divided into groups of eight; you can sign-up as a couple or as a single. For further information, see the sign-up sheets at the Women's Ministry table or contact Calli Pritchett at CalliMP94@hotmail.com. Deadline to sign-up is August 28th.

YOUNG ADULTS BIBLE STUDY - (formerly known as the College & Career group) This study is for college-age through early 30s and is held every other week at Susan Barry's home (1182 Hillside Green Way, Powder Springs 30127). Childcare will be provided. Join us as we study through the book of James beginning Tuesday, August 21st at 7:30 p.m. For more information contact david.barry@midwaypca.org.

COLLEGE BIBLE STUDY - Pastor Barry is starting a college Bible study on August 20th at Kennesaw State University meeting Monday night at 7:00 p.m. The study is for all college-age students, whether or not they attend KSU. For questions or more information, contact david.barry@midwaypca.org.

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

- Middle School Grand Slam tonight after the evening worship service, 7:00 - 8:15 p.m. @ Youth Assembly Room (downstairs).
- No Middle School Bible study.
- Middle School Girls baseball outing August 30th. Please RSVP to Katie Cooper by August 20th (kjcooper6113@gmail.com). Cost is \$12 per person.
- High School Girls Bible study will not meet this week but will resume with a new series on Monday, August 20th from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. @ Daily Grind.
- High School Guys Bible study Tuesday, from 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. @ Daily Grind.
- No Wednesday night Youth Group (resumes August 29th at 7:00p.m.).

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

- The Ladies Tuesday Morning Bible Study meets each Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. to study the Book of 1st Corinthians taught by Carol Combs. Questions? Contact Sandra Westerfield at westerfields@bellsouth.net
- Ruth Circle will not be meeting over the summer but will resume in September. They will continue to study the Nancy Guthrie series, "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 resumes August 15th, 7:00 a.m. @ Daily Grind.

- Pastor Hall's Thursday study on Exodus will meet this week, August 16th, at 12:00 p.m. in the Harvester class room.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY (contact ken.rolston@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 resumes August 29th, at 6:30 p.m.

NURSERY NEWS

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

THOSE SERVING, Sunday, August 12th

- 9:35** Sarah McKinney, Sophie Chen
10:45 Rochelle LePor, Bobbi Mitchell, Susan Biondolillo, Anna & Maria Biondolillo, Jessica Joiner
5:50 Sandra Westerfield, Paula Wilson

THOSE SERVING, Sunday, August 19th

- 9:35** Diane Armstrong, Alicia Bartlett
10:45 Katie Barry, Patti Brandenburg, Lily Buehler, Richard & Polly Vogh
5:50 Gisela Bockle, Elisabeth Wagner

SPECIAL CARE MINISTRY

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

- Sunday, August 12th** Anne & Jack Herbert, Carolyn Boyd
Sunday, August 19th Dick Brandenburg, Bobbi Mitchell, Teressa Gowder

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

(contact ken.rolston@midwaypca.org)

- Sunday, August 12th** **A.M. Service** Becky MacGregor
Sunday, August 19th **A.M. Service** Camille Slayton

Congregational Prayer Needs: Jerry Hobbs, Judy Allen, Sandy Boyd, Charlie Waters, Ava Nunn, Fred Warren, Leon Combs, Sandy Burton, Todd Allen, Karen Barnett, Donna Mills, Susan Richardson, Boozie Knox, Clark Remington, Diane Guy

Our expectant families: Zachary & Regan Adams, Bradley & Kaliste Fish, Wiley & Alexis Pritchett, Ben & Heidi Thomas, Jason & Lauren Clarke, Andrew & Amanda Hall, Brian & Melody (Kayler) Montgomery

Our Military Personnel: Nate Forrester, Wiley Pritchett, Bradley Winsted and Samuel Winsted, Brady Pritchett, Greg Hawley, Keller Frankland, Jacob Robinson, Johnnie & Ruth (Winsted) Felker, Brent Henson, Payne Underwood, Tabatha Nicholson, Ian Zeffel, Asher Johnson

Midway Covenant Christian School

Missionaries of the Month: Johan & Stephanie van der Westhuizen – MTW, Chile; David & Jill Martin – MTW, Ukraine; Bob & Patty Meredith – NAV, Kenya; Roger & Dianne Smalling – MTW, Latin America

Church of the Week: First Presbyterian Church – Villa Rica

SUNDAY SCHOOL - 9:45 a.m.

Adult					
Class	Subject of Study	Location	Class	Subject of Study	Location
Explorers	Genesis	FH	Fellowship	Acts	FH
Grace	Ephesians	FH (Middle)	Harvester	Reading and Understanding Job	FH
Women	Paul's Letters	Conf. Room			
Youth					
Children (classes are under the 1987 sanctuary)					
			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

EVENING WORSHIP

August 12, 2018
6:00 p.m.

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

***OPENING HYMN** "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" #277

***INVOCATION**

****CONFESSION OF FAITH** Lord's Day 1; *Heidelberg Catechism*, 1563

Minister: Q. What is your only comfort in life and in death?

All: A. That I am not my own,
But belong –
Body and soul,
In life and in death –
To my faithful Savior Jesus Christ.

He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood,
and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil.

He also watches over me in such a way
that not a hair can fall from my head
without the will of my Father in heaven:
in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.

Because I belong to him,
Christ, by his Holy Spirit,
assures me of eternal life
and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready
from now on to live for him.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Esther 1:1-12

PSALM OF PRAISE Psalms for Worship, 51A

PRAYER Rev. Mic Knox

***HYMN OF PREPARATION** "Now Thank We All Our God" #98
(Children dismissed)

SCRIPTURE Esther 1:13-22

SERMON "An Unlikely Deliverer" Rev. Marc Harrington

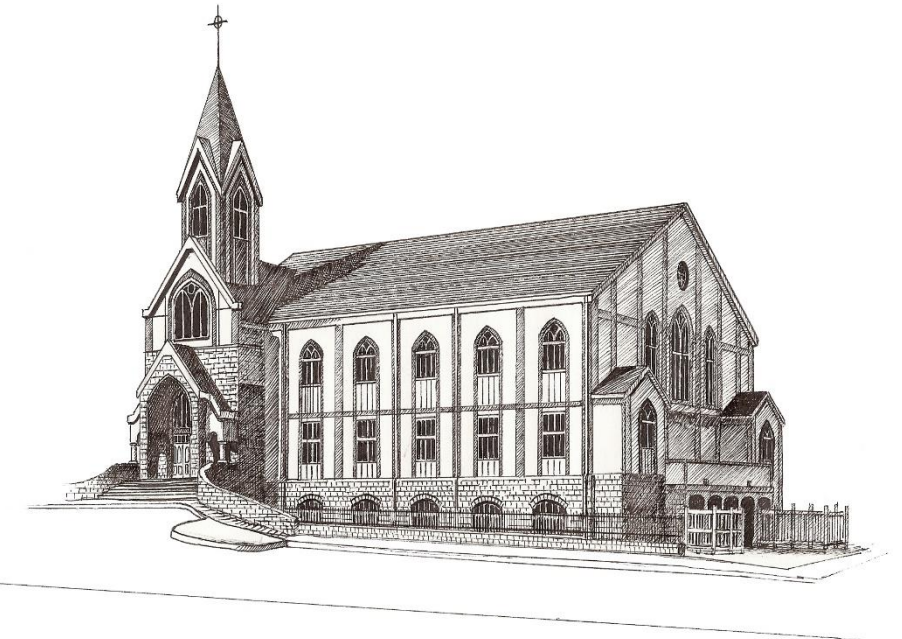
***HYMN OF RESPONSE** "God Moves in a Mysterious Way" #128

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

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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