

THE LORD’S DAY

OCTOBER 19, 2025

11:00 a.m.

Please use this time to set your hearts on Christ and pray for the Word, our worship, and that holiness and reverence will be known among us.

PRELUDE

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

arr. Callahan

CALL TO WORSHIP

**HYMN OF PRAISE

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”

#53

*INVOCATION

***CONFESSION OF FAITH:** The Nicene Creed
I Believe in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible: And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God; Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God; Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; By whom all things were made: Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man: And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried: And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures: And ascended into heaven. And sitteth on the right hand of the Father: And He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end. And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; Who spoke by the Prophets: And I believe in one catholic and apostolic Church: I Acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins: And I look for the Resurrection of the dead: And the Life of the world to come. Amen.

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

“Of the Father’s Love Begotten”

#162

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. David Hall

(Please sign and pass the registration pads found at the end of the pews.)

PSALTER READING

Psalm 46

p. 802

ANTHEM

Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending

arr. Hobby

Lo! He comes with clouds descending, once for every sinner slain;
Thousand thousand saints attending swell the triumph of His train:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Christ the Lord returns to reign.

Every eye shall now behold Him robed in glorious majesty;
Those who set at nought and sold Him, pierced and nailed Him to the tree,
Deeply wailing, deeply wailing, deeply wailing, shall their true Messiah see.

Those dear tokens, dear tokens of His Passion His dazzling body bears,
Cause of endless exultation to His ransomed worshipers.
With what rapture, with what rapture, with what rapture, gaze we on those glorious scars.

Yes, amen, let all adore Thee high on Thine eternal throne;
Savior, take the power and glory, claim the kingdom for Thine own.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Thou shalt reign and Thou alone!

THE GIVING OF GOD’S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

arr. Farlee

*DOXOLOGY

#731

*PRAYERS FOR GOD’S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

*HYMN OF PREPARATION

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

#457

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

SCRIPTURE

Ezekiel 1

SERMON

“The Price and the Prize of Confessional Faithfulness”

Rev. Dr. Neil Stewart

*HYMN OF AFFIRMATION

“O God beyond All Praising”

#660

*THE BENEDICTION

*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

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Shaw/Wood

*Congregation please stand
**Deacons will seat late arrivals

Sermon Notes:

We welcome back to our pulpit today, the Rev. Dr. Neil Stewart who is senior minister of the First Presbyterian Church (ARP) in Columbia, SC. He has written chapters in several books, including On Reforming Worship (2018) and Catherine’s two books, Letters to Pastors’ Wives: When Seminary Ends, and Ministry Begins (P&R, 2013) and Surviving the Fish Bowl: Letters to Pastors’ Kids (RHB, 2021).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

VISITORS If you are new to Midway and would like to connect with our pastoral staff or would like to know more about the church, please fill out the registration pad found in the pew or scan the QR code to provide your contact information.



THE FALL ADULT BIBLE STUDY “The Gospel of John” Bible study is on Wednesday nights from 6:30 p.m. – 7:15 p.m. in the Fellowship Sunday School classroom. All members and friends are welcome to come to this study taught by Pastor Hall. Join whenever you can.

CHRISTMAS MUSIC WORKSHOP If you are interested in being a part of the Adult Choir for Lessons & Carols this year, we will be holding a workshop to begin preparations on Saturday, October 25th, 9:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.. We will meet in the adult choir rehearsal room for this event and lunch will be provided. Please let us know in advance that you will be attending the workshop so that we can have folders prepared. For additional information, please contact Judy at judy.dodd@midwaypca.org.

REFORMATION PARTY - Please mark your calendars for our annual Reformation Party on Wednesday, October 29th. Dinner starts at 5:30 p.m., followed by a costume contest, a Reformation devotion, and fun and games in the gym until 8:15 p.m. We have needs for all types of volunteers. If interested in helping with our activities, please email (matt.ross@midwayschool.org)

YOUNG ADULTS BIBLE STUDY FALL EVENT Saturday, November 1st – 5:30-8:30pm at the Midway Pavilion & Field (Gym as weather backup). We will have outdoor games set up at 5:30 pm and will provide a catered dinner at the pavilion at 6:30 pm. Bring your own lawn chairs and/or picnic blankets. Nursery will be available for children 3 and under from 5:30-6:30pm. Please register by October 24th so we can plan food and nursery accordingly. Feel free to invite a friend!

COOPER SHEPHERDING GROUP DINNER: SAVE THE DATE Friday, November 7th at 6:00 p.m. Please watch your email for more details to come.

MEN’S BIBLE STUDY (Contact marc.harrington@midwaypca.org)

- Pastor Harrington’s Bible study Wednesdays, 7:00 a.m. at the Daily Grind.
- Pastor Hall’s Bible study on Thursdays at 12:30 p.m., in the Harvester Classroom.
- The Men’s Monthly Bible Study will meet on Monday, November 3rd at 10:30 a.m. in the church conference room. For more information contact Bill Smith at crosstrade@bellsouth.net.

WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY (Contact Susan Barry sbarry56@gmail.com)

- Ladies Thursday Morning Bible Study at 10:00-11:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Classroom. We will be studying the Epistle of I John. Nursery is provided.
- Monthly Women’s Bible Study, focused on understanding and cultivating the Fruit of the Spirit! ! Meets monthly at 7:00 p.m. at Cori Lowman’s house. This study is led by Susan Barry. Future meetings will be held on October 23rd, November 20th, and December 18th. Please contact Cori Lowman for additional details at (205)332-2003. *Childcare will not be provided.*

CHILDREN’S MINISTRY (matt.ross@midwayschool.org)

- Kids Club Wednesdays from 6:30 – 7:15 p.m. in the Children’s Ministry Room.

YOUTH NEWS (mjcoopjr@gmail.com or mgknight02@yahoo.com)

- NO Sunday Night Bible Studies tonight due to Annual Joint Worship Service.
- Youth Group Wednesdays from 6:30 -7:30 p.m. in the Youth Assembly Room.
- **Save the Date:** Youth Fall Event! – Middle School and High School Fall Event at the Cooper’s house on October 24th from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

COLLEGE & CAREER BIBLE STUDY meets every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in the Youth Assembly Room. Our group is comprised of folks up to 26 years old. Come and enjoy fellowship marked and shaped after sound teaching. For more information, contact cilas.menezes@midwaypca.org.

NURSERY NEWS

Contact Jennifer Nichols nursery@midwaypca.org

THOSE SERVING Sunday, October 19th

- 9:30

Sue Biondolillo, Amy Harber, Olivia Williams, Jane Pritchett, Dan & Jackie Searles, Susan Barry, Camille Slayton
- 10:45

Laura Keesee, Samantha Gongaware, Amanda & Hayden Hall, Caoilfhionn & Shire Owens, Kechia, Willis, Everett & Isaac Magee
- 5:15

Liza Hendrix, Brandy Rockholz, Donna Carter, Mac & Cici Ross

THOSE SERVING Sunday, October 26th

- 9:30

Sue Biondolillo, Amy Harber, Brandy Rockholz, Jane Pritchett, Dan & Jackie Searles, Sally Knox, Julie Hagan, Emily Dewalt
- 10:45

Jeanette Tipton, Aria Rockholz, Patty & Ruthie Moody, Wyatt Dewalt, Tori Biondolillo, Jennifer Pursley
- 5:15

Liza Hendrix, Olivia Williams, Gisela Bockle, Bobbi Mitchell

Our expectant families: Wiley & Lexi Pritchett, Jonathan & Kayla Johnson, Cilas & Ana Menezes, Jake & Rachel Chandler, Joseph & Paige Gebert (Siewert), Timothy & Calli Smith (Pritchett), Kevin & Kristin Cook, Donald & Samantha Gongaware, Courtney & Tyler Randolph (Pursley)
Our Military Personnel: Nate Forrester, Asher Johnson, Guy Scott, John Marks, Nichole Marks
Midway Covenant Christian School
Missionaries of the Month: Maxito & Medjine Rafael: rev.hawley@gmail.com; Vijay & Swarupa Raju; Joel & Eszti Richards
Church of the Week: Christ Covenant Presbyterian Church, Woodstock

MIDWAY OFFICERS

Ruling Elders

Class of 2026: Ken Dewhurst, Paul Fish, Russ Knight, Rodney Pritchett
Class of 2028: Jim Daniels, Wes Richardson, Brian Washington, Bob Whitaker
Class of 2030: Jimmy Cooper, John Garmon, Rick Griffin, Scott Keesee

Deacons

Class of 2026: Dami Adeoye, Tom Biondolillo, Charles Hagan, David Jackson, Cliff Miller, Brady Pritchett, Patrick Rockholz
Class of 2028: Larry Eller, Justin Giannace, Joe Hash, Peter Ian, Sammy Mitchell, Wiley Pritchett, Evanda Remington

NORTHWEST GEORGIA PRESBYTERY
ANNUAL JOINT WORSHIP SERVICE
OCTOBER 19, 2025 ~ 5:30 PM

PRELUDE	<i>O Had I Jubal's Lyre</i>	G. F. Handel
CALL TO WORSHIP		REV. DAVID HALL
*HYMN	“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name!”	#297
*CONFESSION OF SIN (Unison)		
	Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men; We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.	
*ASSURANCE OF PARDON		REV. DAVID GILBERT GRACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, DOUGLASVILLE
	Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord. Romans 8:1, 38-39	
**HYMN	“From Every Stormy Wind That Blows”	#631
PSALTER READING	Psalm 90	p. 816 REV. JOB DALOMBA CHRIST COVENANT, WOODSTOCK
PRAYER		REV. CLIF DANIELL CHEROKEE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, CANTON
*PSALM OF PREPARATION (Children dismissed)	Psalm 42	Psalms for Worship, 42C
SCRIPTURE READING		Psalm 92
SERMON	“Worship and Renewal”	REV. DR. W. ROBERT GODFREY
*HYMN OF AFFIRMATION	“Revive Thy Work, O Lord”	#370
BENEDICTION		REV. MARC HARRINGTON MIDWAY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
*UNISON RESPONSE	Psalm 133	Psalms for Worship, 133A
POSTLUDE	<i>The God of Abraham Praise</i>	M. Burkhardt

We welcome to our pulpit Dr. W. Robert Godfrey, the President Emeritus and Professor of Church History at Westminster Seminary California (WSC). Dr. Godfrey is Chairman of the Ligonier Board, a frequent conference speaker, a pastor, and an author. We welcome him back.

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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.

“Beyond all question, the mystery of godliness is great: He appeared in a body, was vindicated by the Spirit, was seen by angels, was preached among the nations, was believed on in the world, was taken up in glory.”

1 Timothy 3:16