THE LORD'S DAY

APRIL 20, 2025 11:00 a.m.

PRELUDE Alleluias R. Lau

Sing and Rejoice!

Sing and rejoice! Triumphant, raise your voice;

Jesus our Lord is risen, Jesus our Lord is risen, is risen.

Shout, "Victory!" Proclaim his mastery;

Death and the grave are vanquished, death and the grave are vanquished,

are vanquished.

*CHORAL INTROIT

Christ sets us free, Christ sets us free eternally for life with him in heaven.

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

Sing and rejoice! Triumphant, raise your voice;

Jesus our Lord is risen, Jesus our lord is risen, our Lord is risen!

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. David Hall

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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

"Sing, Choirs of New Jerusalem"

#271

PASTORAL PRAYER

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.

UNISON SCRIPTURE READING

1 Corinthians 15:1-8

Rev. Chad Bailey

Rev. Marc Harrington

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. ² By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain. ³ For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, ⁴ that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, ⁵ and that he appeared to Peter, and then to the Twelve. ⁶ 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. ⁷ Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles, ⁸ and last of all he appeared to me also, as one abnormally born.

ANTHEM

Worthy Is the Lamb that Was Slain

G.F. Handel

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain, and hath redeemed us to God by His blood, to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing.

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain, and hath redeemed us to God, to God by His blood, to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing.

Blessing and honour, glory and power be unto Him, be unto Him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb for ever and ever, for ever and ever. Amen.

PSALTER READING

p. 788 Rev. Cilas Menezes

THE GIVING OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

O Sons and Daughters

Psalm 16

arr. Burton

O sons and daughters, let us sing! The King of Heaven, the glorious King, o'er death today rose triumphing. Alleluia!

*Doxology #731

*PRAYERS FOR GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

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

*HYMN OF PREPARATION

"Alleluia! Alleluia!"

#283

SCRIPTURE 1 Corinthians 15:5-20

SERMON "History and Destiny Hanging on One Word: The "If" of Easter"

Rev. David Hall

*HYMN OF AFFIRMATION "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

#273

*THE BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTORY RESPONSE

*Postlude

The Strife Is O'er

arr. Fedak

*Congregation please stand **Deacons will seat late arrivals

Sermon Outline: "History and Destiny Hanging on One Word: The "If" of Easter" 1 Corinthians 15:5-20

1. "If": One Little Word

2. What would we lose If Christ is not Risen: Dire Consequences

a. v. 14 Our Preaching Is A Waste Of Time

b. v. 14 Our Faith Is Foolish

c. v. 15 All Christians Are Liars

d. v. 17 We Are All Lost In Our Sins

e. v. 18 Our Departed Loved Ones Are Gone Forever

f. v. 19 We Are To Be Pitied

3. What will we gain from "But now" (v. 20) is Christ Risen indeed

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.



WEDNESDAY FELLOWSHIP DINNER – NO Dinner this week

THE MIDWEEK ADULT BIBLE STUDY Wednesday nights from 6:30 p.m. – 7:15 p.m. in the Fellowship Sunday School classroom with the continued study of "Psalms for Living". We invite all members and friends to join us for this study taught by Pastor Hall.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY Ladies Thursday Morning Bible Study will be on break until August. More details to come. For further information, please contact Susan Barry at sbarry56@gmail.com.

MEN OF THE COVENANT will meet on April 27th. All men are invited to the Men of the Covenant Prayer Breakfast beginning with prayer at 8:00 a.m. in the library, followed by breakfast and guest speaker Rick Griffin. For more information, please contact Marc at marc.harrington@midwaypca.org.

MUSIC CAMP 2025 is scheduled for July 14th-18th. Volunteers will be needed! If the Lord is leading you to serve as a teacher, assistant, guide, or snacks person, please contact Abby Eller at abby.eller@midwaypca.org.

MIDWAY COVENANT CHRISTIAN SCHOOL is currently hiring elementary teachers, a Latin teacher, and a boy's bible/history teacher. If you are interested, please contact the school office at 770-590-1866 or matt.ross@midwayschool.org.

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 Thursdays at 12:30 p.m., focusing on 1 John in the Harvester Classroom.
- Men's Monthly Bible study will meet on May 5th at 10:30 a.m. in the church conference room and will study James, Chapter 4. Invite your friends. For more information contact Bill Smith at crosstrade@bellsouth.net.

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 kjcooper6113@gmail.com

- NO Sunday Night Bible Studies tonight.
- Youth Group Wednesdays from 6:30–7:30 p.m. in the Youth Assembly Room.
- SAVE THE DATE: Spring Event on April 25th 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 Easter Sunday, April 20th

- **9:30** Olivia Williams, Dan & Jackie Searles, Kayla Johnson, Camille Slayton, Hannah Bailey, Nancy Pritchett
- 10:45 Polly & Richard Vogh, Bridget Searles, Allison & Caleb Myers, Alice Bailey, Cori Lowman, Kechia, Everett & Isaac Magee
- 5:15 Elisabeth Wagner, Brandy Rockholz, Mac & Cici Ross, Donna Carter

THOSE SERVING Sunday, April 27th

9:30 Brandy Rockholz, Dan & Jackie Searles, Kayla Johnson, Alicia Bartlett, Sophie Chen, Susan Barry

10:45 Samantha Gongaware, Geneva Harrington, Amanda & Hayden Hall, Kate & Savannah Harrington, Caoilfhionn & Shire Owens, Aria Rockholz

5:15 Elisabeth Wagner, Olivia Williams, Gisela Bockle, Cindy Whitaker

Our expectant families: Mourad & Ginny Bowen, Graham & Cori Lowman, Wiley & Lexi Pritchett, Jonathan & Kayla Johnson, Cilas & Ana Menezes

Our Military Personnel: Nate Forrester, Asher Johnson, Guy Scott, John Marks, Nichole Marks Midway Covenant Christian School

Missionaries of the Month: David & Jill Martin: 365.2421@gmail.com; Wayne & Amy Newsome: mtwwayne@gmail.com; Northwest GA Presbytery Church Plants: Ellijay, Marietta (Chinese). Brazilian

Church of the Week: First Presbyterian Church of Villa Rica, Villa Rica

Sunday School Classes 9:45 a.m.

Class	Location
Explorers – Studying Isaiah	Explorer Classroom - FH
Fellowship – Studying Revelation	Fellowship Classroom - FH
Grace – Studying Nehemiah	Fellowship Hall
Harvester – Studying James	Harvester Classroom - FH
High School Youth	Youth Assembly Room
Middle School Youth	Berean Classroom - FH
Children (grades K-2)	MCCS Music Room (below 1987 Sanctuary)
Children (grades 3-5)	MCCS Music Room (below 1987 Sanctuary)

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

EVENING WORSHIP April 20, 2025 5:30 p.m.

CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN OF PRAISE "Worship Christ, the Risen King!" #286

*INVOCATION

*PSALM OF PRAISE Psalms for Worship, 113A

PSALTER READING Psalm 34 p.796

CONFESSION: WESTMINSTER LARGER CATECHISM Qs. 180 & 181

Q.180. What is it to pray in the name of Christ?

A. To pray in the name of Christ is, in obedience to His command, and in confidence on His promises, to ask mercy for His sake; not by bare mentioning of His name, but by drawing our encouragement to pray, and our boldness, strength, and hope of acceptance in prayer, from Christ and His mediation.

Q.181. Why are we to pray in the name of Christ?

A. The sinfulness of man, and His distance from God by reason thereof, being so great, as that we can have no access into His presence without a mediator; and there being none in heaven or earth appointed to, or fit for, that glorious work but Christ alone, we are to pray in no other name but His only.

PRAYER Rev. Chad Bailey

*HYMN OF PREPARATION "Sweet Hour of Prayer" #634

SCRIPTURE Romans 15:30-16:16

SERMON "Prayer For Those We Love" Rev. Marc Harrington

*HYMN OF RESPONSE "O Love of God, How Strong and True" #81

*BENEDICTION

THE LORD'S DAY

CELEBRATING THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS CHRIST APRIL 20, 2025



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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