

# THE LORD'S DAY

MAY 17, 2026  
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** *Whate'er My God Ordains Is Right* J. Pachelbel

## CALL TO WORSHIP

**\*\*HYMN OF PRAISE** "Shout, for the Blessed Jesus Reigns" #369

## \*INVOCATION

**\*CONFESSION OF FAITH: WESTMINSTER LARGER CATECHISM** **Q. 78**

### Q.78. Whence ariseth the imperfection of sanctification in believers?

A. The imperfection of sanctification in believers ariseth from the remnants of sin abiding in every part of them, and the perpetual lustings of the flesh against the spirit; whereby they are often foiled with temptations, and fall into many sins, are hindered in all their spiritual services, and their best works are imperfect and defiled in the sight of God.

**\*PSALM OF PRAISE** Psalms for Worship, 2C

**SCRIPTURE READING** Genesis 19:12-22

Then the men said to Lot, "Have you anyone else here? Sons-in-law, sons, daughters, or anyone you have in the city, bring them out of the place." <sup>13</sup>For we are about to destroy this place, because the outcry against its people has become great before the Lord, and the Lord has sent us to destroy it." <sup>14</sup>So Lot went out and said to his sons-in-law, who were to marry his daughters, "Up! Get out of this place, for the Lord is about to destroy the city." But he seemed to his sons-in-law to be jesting. <sup>15</sup>As morning dawned, the angels urged Lot, saying, "Up! Take your wife and your two daughters who are here, lest you be swept away in the punishment of the city." <sup>16</sup>But he lingered. So the men seized him and his wife and his two daughters by the hand, the Lord being merciful to him, and they brought him out and set him outside the city. <sup>17</sup>And as they brought them out, one said, "Escape for your life. Do not look back or stop anywhere in the valley. Escape to the hills, lest you be swept away." <sup>18</sup>And Lot said to them, "Oh, no, my lords. <sup>19</sup>Behold, your servant has found favor in your sight, and you have shown me great kindness in saving my life. But I cannot escape to the hills, lest the disaster overtake me and I die. <sup>20</sup>Behold, this city is near enough to flee to, and it is a little one. Let me escape there—is it not a little one?—and my life will be saved!" <sup>21</sup>He said to him, "Behold, I grant you this favor also, that I will not overthrow the city of which you have spoken. <sup>22</sup>Escape there quickly, for I can do nothing till you arrive there." Therefore the name of the city was called Zoar.

**PASTORAL PRAYER** Rev. Cilas Menezes

**ANTHEM** *Hallelujah, Amen!* G.F. Handel

Hallelujah, amen. Oh, Judah, rejoice in songs divine,  
with cherubim and seraphim harmonious join.  
Hallelujah, amen, and in songs divine, harmonious join!  
Hallelujah! Amen.

## THE GIVING OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

**OFFERTORY** *Adagio* W.A. Mozart

**\*DOXOLOGY** #731

## \*PRAYERS FOR GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

**\*HYMN OF PREPARATION** "The Church's One Foundation" #347  
(Children K4-1st grade dismissed to children's church.)

**SCRIPTURE** Genesis 19:23-38

**SERMON** "Dull, Dim, and Dense" Rev. Marc Harrington

**\*HYMN OF AFFIRMATION** "Soldiers of Christ, Arise" #575

## \*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** *Thine Be the Glory* Handel/arr. Guilmant

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\*Congregation please stand  
\*\*Deacons will seat late arrivals

*A congregational meeting is scheduled on March 24, 2026, following the morning worship service for the purpose of dissolving the pastoral relationship between Midway Presbyterian Church and Pastor Cilas Menezes.*

Notes:



## SUMMER WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

Our Summer Wednesday Night Bible Study begins on June 3<sup>rd</sup> from 6:30 to 7:15 p.m. Our pastors will continue the study on John's Gospel. Join us as we seek deeper repentance, greater holiness, and richer joy in Christ along with ice cream afterwards.

## Save the Date~Farewell Reception

Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup>  
6:30 p.m.

Please join us for a farewell reception honoring the service of Pastor Cilas, Ana, Cilas, Thomas, Nathan and Ethan. We want to wish them well as they begin their new ministry. We will gather immediately after the evening worship service in the fellowship hall for a reception and time to say our farewells.

## 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 scan the QR code to provide your contact information.



**YOUNG ADULT SPRING PICNIC** Join us on Wednesday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, 5:30-8:00 p.m. for family fun and fellowship! We'll have outdoor games set up at 5:30 p.m. and will provide a Chick-fil-A picnic dinner at the pavilion at 6:00 p.m. Bring your own lawn chairs and/or picnic blankets. Please RSVP on the church app by May 18<sup>th</sup> so that we may plan accordingly.

**CHURCH DIRECTORY PHOTO UPDATES – May 31 & June 7:** We are offering two upcoming opportunities to update our church directory with new or refreshed family photos. Photo sessions will take place during the Sunday School hour on May 31<sup>st</sup> and June 7<sup>th</sup> between 9:30 and 10:40 a.m. in the foyer outside our sanctuary. You can sign up on our Events webpage (May 31<sup>st</sup> & June 7<sup>th</sup>) or through our church app. If you have any questions or need help scheduling a time slot, please don't hesitate to contact either Mrs. Hash or Mr. Dewalt.

**WEDNESDAY PRAYER MEETING** Will resume on June 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please plan to join us on Wednesdays from 5:45-6:15 p.m. in the Fellowship Classroom. Everyone is invited to attend this time of prayer.

**BABY SHOWER** All ladies are invited to a baby shower for Allison Myers on Saturday, June 6<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Caleb and Allison are registered at Babylist and Target. For more information, please contact Jane Pritchett at [jane.mac@comcast.net](mailto:jane.mac@comcast.net)

**SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS** Beginning June 7<sup>th</sup> – August 30<sup>th</sup>, Midway Pastors and Ruling Elders will be teaching a combined Sunday School class in the Fellowship Hall at 9:45 a.m., on the book of 1 Timothy.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL June 15–19.** Many volunteers are needed. If the Lord has given you a desire to serve in this, please register to volunteer. We will joyfully welcome any help you can provide and hope many will join in praying for the work of the Lord's Ministry. For more information contact [matt.ross@midwayschool.org](mailto:matt.ross@midwayschool.org).

**BABY BOTTLE DRIVE FUNDRAISER** Paulding Pregnancy Services offers positive alternatives to abortions to our community. They are having their Baby Bottle Drive Fundraiser now through Father's Day, June 21<sup>st</sup>. Bottles can be picked up and then returned at the Women's Ministry Table, or you have an option of donating online at <https://ppsfriends.org/give>. See Flier on WIC Table for more information or contact: Rachael Jamerson at [rachael.jamerson@yahoo.com](mailto:rachael.jamerson@yahoo.com)

**MEN'S BIBLE STUDY** (Contact [marc.harrington@midwaypca.org](mailto:marc.harrington@midwaypca.org).)

- Pastor Harrington's Bible study Wednesdays, 7:00 a.m. at the Daily Grind.
- Men's Thursday Bible study meets at 12:30 p.m. in the Harvester Classroom. For more information, please contact Chad at [chad.bailey@midwaypca.org](mailto:chad.bailey@midwaypca.org).
- The Men's Monthly Bible Study will meet on June 1<sup>st</sup> at 10:30 a.m. in the Church Conference Room. For more information contact Wayne Haynes at [hayneswayne@att.net](mailto:hayneswayne@att.net).

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** (Contact Susan Barry [sbarry56@gmail.com](mailto:sbarry56@gmail.com).)

- Ladies Evening Bible Study meets monthly at Cori Lowman's house. The next meeting is Thursday, May 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 p.m. This study, focused on understanding and cultivating the Fruit of the Spirit, is led by Susan Barry. Please join us! For more info, contact Cori at (205) 332-2003. *Childcare will not be provided.*

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY ([matt.ross@midwayschool.org](mailto:matt.ross@midwayschool.org))

- **No Kids Club Wednesdays this week.** They will resume on June 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- **SAVE THE DATE** VBS 2026 will be June 15<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>.

## YOUTH NEWS ([mjcoopjr@gmail.com](mailto:mjcoopjr@gmail.com) or [mgknight02@yahoo.com](mailto:mgknight02@yahoo.com).)

- Sunday Night Bible Studies from 6:45-8:00 p.m. in the Youth Assembly Room.
- **No Youth Group Wednesdays this week.** They will resume on June 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- **Do you have a rising 6th grader in your family?** Please email Jimmy Cooper, so we can welcome them to youth group this summer & include you in all our youth group communications. [mjcoopjr@gmail.com](mailto:mjcoopjr@gmail.com)

**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](mailto:cilas.menezes@midwaypca.org).

## NURSERY NEWS

Contact Jennifer Nichols [nursery@midwaypca.org](mailto:nursery@midwaypca.org).

### THOSE SERVING Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup>

- 9:30** Susan Barry, Alicia Bartlett  
**10:45** Marti & Ryan Vinton, Ryan Harper Vinton, Caoilfhionn, Shire & Clementine Owens, Amanda & Hayden Hall, Samantha Gongaware  
**5:15** Bobbi Mitchell, Mac & Cici Ross

### THOSE SERVING Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup>

- 9:30** Daisy Sepulveda, Emily Dewalt, Julie Hagan, Patty Moody  
**10:45** Dami, Nelly & Peyton Adeoye, Daisy Sepulveda, Wyatt Dewalt, Geneva Harrington, Kechia Magee  
**5:15** Kate & Savannah Harrington, Norma Hudson

**Our expectant families:** Matt & Maggie Puett (Eller), Caleb & Allison Myers, Joseph & Lindsey Tingen (Carter), Evan & Sophia Fish, Nathan & Kaitlin Williams (Williams), Ben & Laura Adams (MacGregor), Hogan & Leah Gowder

**Our Military Personnel:** Nate Forrester, Asher Johnson, Guy Scott

### Midway Covenant Christian School

**Missionaries of the Month:** Alonzo & Esther Ramirez (Peru): [ssagustin21@yahoo.com](mailto:ssagustin21@yahoo.com); Guillermo & Jennie Salinas (Mexico): [jennicallenw@hotmail.com](mailto:jennicallenw@hotmail.com); Mark & Jane Kuo (Taiwan): [markchkuo@gmail.com](mailto:markchkuo@gmail.com)

**Church of the Week:** First Presbyterian Church of Summerville, Summerville

## 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

May 17, 2026  
5:30 p.m.

### CALL TO WORSHIP

**Pastor:** Oh sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth! Sing to the Lord, bless His name; tell of His salvation from day to day. Declare His glory among the nations... For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised.

**People:** We gather to worship Christ, God's wisdom made ours, and our hope of glory, whose gospel transforms us for His church. Let us sing His praise!

\*HYMN OF PRAISE "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" #38

### \*INVOCATION

### \*CONFESSION OF SIN

**Pastor:** Father in heaven, we thank You for the freedom You have given us through the life, death and resurrection of Your Son.

**People: But we confess today that we often live like slaves. Instead of living like You delight in us, we avoid You in shame and guilt.**

**Pastor:** Instead of receiving Your favor as a gift, we try to earn it with our efforts.

**People: Instead of accepting Your freedom, we prefer our chains.**

**Pastor:** Instead of pursuing Your purposes, we cling to our short-sighted agendas.

**People: Forgive us. Embrace us. Cleanse us. Heal us. We ask this in Jesus' name.**

\* ASSURANCE OF PARDON 1 John 1:9  
*If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.*

\*PSALM OF PRAISE Psalms for Worship, 32C

HOLY SCRIPTURE READING 1 Corinthians 1:18-31

PRAYER Rev. Marc Harrington

\*HYMN OF PREPARATION "At the Name of Jesus" #163

SCRIPTURE Colossians 2:1-5

SERMON "Christ: God's Wisdom Made Ours" Rev. Cilas Menezes

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE "We Come, O Christ, to You" #181

\*BENEDICTION

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## MIDWAY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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REV. CILAS MENEZES, ASSOCIATE PASTOR

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