

THE LORD’S DAY

AUGUST 16, 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 *All Things Bright and Beautiful* arr. Wood

CALL TO WORSHIP

****HYMN OF PRAISE** “Holy, Holy, Holy!” #100

***INVOCATION**

***CONFESSION OF FAITH:** The Apostles’ Creed
I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost; born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven; and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

***PSALM OF PRAISE** Psalms for Worship, 23B

SCRIPTURE READING Judges 7:1-14

PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. Chad Bailey

THE GIVING OF GOD’S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *Amazing Grace* arr. Page

***DOXOLOGY** #731

***PRAYERS FOR GOD’S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS**

***HYMN OF PREPARATION** “O Love of God, How Strong and True” #81
(Children K4-1st grade dismissed to children’s church.)

SCRIPTURE Judges 7:15-25

As soon as Gideon heard the telling of the dream and its interpretation, he worshiped. And he returned to the camp of Israel and said, “Arise, for the LORD has given the host of Midian into your hand.” ¹⁶ And he divided the 300 men into three companies and put trumpets into the hands of all of them and empty jars, with torches inside the jars. ¹⁷ And he said to them, “Look at me, and do likewise. When I come to the outskirts of the camp, do as I do. ¹⁸ When I blow the trumpet, I and all who are with me, then blow the trumpets also on every side of all the camp and shout, ‘For the LORD and for Gideon.’”
¹⁹ So Gideon and the hundred men who were with him came to the outskirts of the camp at the beginning of the middle watch, when they had just set the watch. And they blew the trumpets and smashed the jars that were in their hands. ²⁰ Then the three companies blew the trumpets and broke the jars. They held in their left hands the torches, and in their right hands the trumpets to blow. And they cried out, “A sword for the LORD and for Gideon!” ²¹ Every man stood in

his place around the camp, and all the army ran. They cried out and fled. ²² When they blew the 300 trumpets, the LORD set every man's sword against his comrade and against all the army. And the army fled as far as Beth-shittah toward Zererah, as far as the border of Abel-meholah, by Tabbath. ²³ And the men of Israel were called out from Naphtali and from Asher and from all Manasseh, and they pursued after Midian. ²⁴ Gideon sent messengers throughout all the hill country of Ephraim, saying, “Come down against the Midianites and capture the waters against them, as far as Beth-barah, and also the Jordan.” So all the men of Ephraim were called out, and they captured the waters as far as Beth-barah, and also the Jordan. ²⁵ And they captured the two princes of Midian, Oreb and Zeeb. They killed Oreb at the rock of Oreb, and Zeeb they killed at the winepress of Zeeb. Then they pursued Midian, and they brought the heads of Oreb and Zeeb to Gideon across the Jordan.

SERMON “Strength in Weakness” Rev. Marc Harrington

***PSALM OF PRAISE** Psalms for Worship, 46C

***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** *At the Name of Jesus* arr. Powell

*Congregation please stand
**Deacons will seat late arrivals

We join Ben & Laura Adams in praising the Lord for the birth of their daughter, Ivalynn McKenna Adams, on July 30th. Ivalynn McKenna is the granddaughter of Beckie MacGregor.

The flowers are given today to the glory of God by Kris Ross and family in memory of John Ross. “Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His faithful servants.” Psalm. 116:15

Sermon Notes:

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.



SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS will continue through September 6th. The Pastors and Ruling Elders are teaching the combined Sunday School class in the Fellowship Hall at 9:45 a.m. on the book of 1 Timothy.

WEDNESDAY PRAYER MEETING will take a three-week break and will resume on Wednesday, **September 9th** from 5:45-6:15 p.m. The Prayer meetings will be in the Fellowship Classroom. Everyone is invited to attend this time of prayer.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY will take a three-week break and will resume on Wednesday, **September 9th**. This study meets on Wednesdays from 6:30 to 7:15 p.m. in the Fellowship classroom.

CHILDRENS YOUTH MINISTRY The Children’s Youth Ministry is looking for volunteers on Wednesday Nights. If you are interested in serving in this ministry, please contact Kayleigh Morrison at (morrisonkayleigh3@gmail.com)

ADULT CHOIR REHEARSALS will resume this Wednesday, August 19th, 6:30 -7:45 p.m. We welcome new singers to join us! No audition is required; just come to rehearsal. For more information, email music@midwaypca.org

MEN OF THE COVENANT will meet on August 23rd. 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 a guest speaker. For more information, please contact Chad at chad.bailey@midwaypca.org.

YOUNG ADULTS Family Night at the Splashpad on Monday, August 24th at 5:00-7:00 p.m. For more information contact chad.bailey@midwaypca.org.

CHILDREN’S AND YOUTH CHOIR rehearsals will begin September 9th, 5:40-6:25 p.m. Choirs are for grades K4-12: Cherub Choir ages 4-6, Midway Singers ages 7-10, and One Accord ages 11-18. You may register your child online on the main page of our church website or app. If you have any questions, please email abby.eller@midwaypca.org.

DINNER FOR EIGHT Dinner for Eight is a fun, once a month gathering for spending time with fellow believers outside of weekly church attendance. Singles or couples are welcome to sign up! You will be assigned to a group of eight people and gather for a meal once a month, rotating homes each time. The host will supply the main dish, and the others will bring sides. You will be notified by email once the groups of eight are determined. To be a part of a September-January group, sign up on the WIC table or email dinner-for-eight@midwaypca.org. Please sign up by September 6th.

INQUIRER’S CLASS Sept 20th – Oct 25th. We invite those new to Christianity, transferring from a different church, or just wanting to know more about us. Those wishing to attend this class should register on the main page of our website or app. If you have any questions, please contact Elder Bob Whitaker at rwht750@comcast.net.

COMMUNICANT'S CLASS Sept 20th – Oct 25th. Our Communicants Class is intended for covenant children who are considering making a public profession of faith. Grounded in Scripture and the Reformed tradition, the class examines the gospel, the doctrines of the faith, the meaning of the sacraments, and the responsibilities of church membership, helping students prepare to confess Christ before His church and partake of the Lord's Supper. Those wishing to attend this class should register on the main page of our website or app. If you have any questions, please contact Elder Russ Knight at wrussknight@yahoo.com.

MEN’S BIBLE STUDY (Contact chad.bailey@midwaypca.org.)

- Daily Grind Men’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.
- The Men’s Monthly Bible Study will take a break for the summer and resume in the fall. For more information contact Wayne Haynes at hayneswayne@att.net.

WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY The Thursday morning Ladies Bible study led by Susan Barry will begin a 10-week study in the Gospel of Matthew of the Beatitudes on Thursday, September 10th at 10:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Classroom. Nursery is provided. We meet for 1 hour, assign no homework, and enjoy great fellowship. Please join us! Contact Susan Barry sbarry56@gmail.com for more info.

CHILDREN’S MINISTRY (matt.ross@midwayschool.org) or (monisonkayleigh3@gmail.com)

- Kids Club Wednesdays will resume after Labor Day on September 9th.

- YOUTH NEWS** (mjcoopjr@gmail.com) or (mgknight02@gmail.com)
- Sunday Night Bible Studies from 6:45–8:00 p.m.in the Youth Assembly Room.
 - **NO Youth Group this Wednesday, August 19th.** Youth Group Wednesdays will resume on September 9th.
- Save the Dates:**
- **August 21st** High School Girls Dinner & Scrapbooking Night at the Lipstreu’s home.
 - **August 22nd** Middle School Girls Dinner & Game Night at the Lipstreu’s home.
 - **August 30th Youth Parent Information Lunch!** 12:30 p.m. for all youth families. Meat, drinks and dessert will be provided. Please bring a side dish to share.
 - **September 12th** Youth Whitewater Rafting Trip! for ages 12+. Cost per person is \$45.

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 chad.bailey@midwaypca.org.

NURSERY NEWS

Contact Jennifer Nichols nursery@midwaypca.org.

THOSE SERVING Sunday, August 16th

- 9:30** Ruth Dewhurst, Sally Knox, Patty Moody
10:45 Amber Jackson, Cori Lowman, Caoilfhionn, Shire & Clementine Owens, Ruthie Lance, Bridget, Dan & Jackie Searles
5:15 Eric & Rachael Jamerson

THOSE SERVING Sunday, August 23rd

- 9:30** Hannah Bailey, Melanie Furnari, Daisy Sepulveda
10:45 Alice Bailey, London & Giselle Hollie, Polly & Richard Vogh, Daisy Sepulveda, Aria Rockholz
5:15 Rebecca Bailey, Norma Hudson

Our expectant families: Joseph & Lindsey Tingen (Carter), Evan & Sophia Fish, Nathan & Kaitlin Williams (Williams), Hogan & Leah Gowder, Eric & Rachael Jamerson, David & Katie Barry (Barry), Jeffrey & Rachel Siewert, Logan & Katie Pritchett, Carter & Lydia Kinnick
Our Military Personnel: Nate Forrester, Asher Johnson, Guy Scott
Midway Covenant Christian School
Missionaries of the Month: Vincenzo & Judit Coluccia (Italy): vincenzo.c@newlifepca.com; Jonah of Ninevah (USA, Asia – Restricted); Liam & Mary B. Carr (Taiwan)
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

EVENING WORSHIP
August 16, 2026
5:30 p.m.

CALL TO WORSHIP

***HYMN OF PRAISE** “O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing” #164

***INVOCATION**

***PSALM OF PRAISE** Psalms for Worship, 116A

***CONFESSION OF FAITH: WESTMINSTER SHORTER CATECHISM Q. 98**
Q. 98. What is prayer?

A. Prayer is an offering up of our desires unto God, for things agreeable to his will, in the name of Christ, with confession of our sins, and thankful acknowledgment of his mercies.

PRAYER Elder Scott Keesee

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE 1 Kings 18:20-46

***HYMN OF PREPARATION** “What a Friend We Have in Jesus” #629

SCRIPTURE James 5:13-20

Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise. ¹⁴ Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵ And the prayer of faith will save the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven. ¹⁶ Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working. ¹⁷ Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. ¹⁸ Then he prayed again, and heaven gave rain, and the earth bore its fruit. ¹⁹ My brothers, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and someone brings him back, ²⁰ let him know that whoever brings back a sinner from his wandering will save his soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

SERMON “Constant Prayer” Rev. Chad Bailey

***HYMN OF RESPONSE** “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” #457

***BENEDICTION**

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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