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Whoever is slow to anger has great understanding.
• *Proverbs 14:29*

September 27, 2020

Welcome to Midtown's Online Worship Service!

A Message From the Pastor

Welcome to Midtown Community Church. Wherever you are worshipping from geographically, emotionally, or spiritually, we are glad you can join us as we turn our hearts and minds towards God in worship.

Connect With Us!

If you want to stay connected to Midtown Community Church during this season, we highly recommend joining us on our instant messaging platform, [Slack](#). This is a great place to chat with other people, share prayer requests, find resources and receive updates about the life of our church. Slack is definitely the place to be on Sunday mornings during the broadcast of our online worship service! Just follow this link: [Join Midtown on Slack](#).

Midtown Community Church now also has an online meeting platform called [Zoom](#). Zoom is great for Community Groups, Bible Studies and virtual socials! If you need to schedule a meeting with a group of people within the church, reach out to our administrator, Erin Wright, and she would be glad to schedule a meeting for you. Erin: erin@midtown-church.org.

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Call to Worship

Taken From Psalm 145

Reverend Duane Davis

Leader: The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

All: The LORD is good to all, and his mercy is over all that he has made.

Leader: You open your hand; you satisfy the desire of every living thing.

All: The LORD is righteous in all his ways and kind in all his works.

Leader: The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.

All: He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; he also hears their cry and saves them.

Song of Adoration

This is My Father's World

This is my Father's world,
And to my listening ears
All nature sings, and round me rings
The music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world:
I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas--
His hand the wonders wrought.

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This is my Father's world:
The birds their carols raise,
The morning light, the lily white,
Declare their Maker's praise.
This is my Father's world:
He shines in all that's fair;
In the rustling grass I hear Him pass,
He speaks to me everywhere.

This is my Father's world:
O let me ne'er forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong,
God is the Ruler yet.
This is my Father's world:
The battle is not done;
Jesus who died shall be satisfied,
And earth and heav'n be one.

Song of Thanksgiving

My Life Is an Offering

This life is an altar where I want to offer
My soul and my mind and strength
Cleansed by Your mercy to live a life worthy
Of the One Who called my name

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(chorus)

Jesus, be glorified
Jesus, be magnified
Let me be a pleasing sacrifice
Jesus, be glorified
Jesus, be magnified
Here at the altar
My life is an offering

How could I not love You? You authored my
rescue
Raised me up, from death to life
Your Spirit is in me, revealing Your glory
Oh what joy as I give my life

(bridge)

I choose to lose my life, Lord
And find it in You

Doxology

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Midtown News

Please see details on pages 10-11 of the bulletin.

Congregational Prayer

Reverend Duane Davis

Scripture Reading

[James 1:19-21](#)

Sermon

Slow-Tempered

Reverend Lindsey Williams

[James 1:19-21](#)

Sacrament of Communion

Reverend Lindsey Williams

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Song of Response

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

When I survey the wondrous Cross
On which the Prince of glory died
My richest gain I count but loss
And pour contempt on all my pride

See, from His head, His hands, His feet
Sorrow and love flow mingled down
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet
Or thorns compose so rich a crown

(chorus)

Jesus saves sinners by His grace
By His grace

Were the whole realm of nature mine
That were an offering far too small
Love so amazing, so divine
Demands my soul, my life, my all

[Chorus]

Jesus saves sinners by His grace
(chorus) x 2

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Benediction

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This Week at Midtown

DATE	EVENT	TIME & PLACE
Sunday 9.27.2020	Midtown Students Meeting	6:30pm RRBC
Monday 9.28.2020	Lunch with Kyle	1:00pm Ask Klye
Monday 9.28.2020	Elders Meeting	7:30pm Zoom
Tuesday 9.29.2020	Apex Community Group	5:45pm W. & B. Wright Back Deck
Wednesday 9.30.2020	Cameron Village Community Group	8pm R. & K. Williams' Home
Friday 10.2.2020	Midtown 101 - Part 1	7pm RRBC
Saturday 10.3.2020	Midtown 101- Part 2	9am RRBC

Midtown News

Midtown 101: October 2nd & 3rd

This gathering is for people who want to know more about our church and/or are interested in becoming a member of Midtown. If you are looking for an opportunity to interact with Midtown leadership and ask questions about the church, join us over this Friday night and Saturday morning. We will meet Fri., Oct. 2nd from 7-9pm and Sat., Oct. 3rd from 9am-12pm. Contact Pastor Lindsey at lindsey@midtown-church.org for more information or if would like to attend.

Men's World Cup Cornhole Tournament: Beginning October 1st at 7pm

Looking for a chance to connect socially with other men while enjoying some friendly competition? Join us for a multi-week cornhole tournament taking place in small groups (max of eight people) all over the Raleigh area beginning Thursday, October 1st. No prior experience is required, and this is a great opportunity to include a friend from outside of our church. We will adhere to all current NC Covid-19 restrictions. REGISTER HERE: [Cornhole Signup](#). **Deadline to register is Sept. 28th.** If you are interested in serving as a "host site" or have further questions, reach out to Matt Watts at mowatts@gmail.com.

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Men's Lunch Ladder: Beginning in October

Would you like to have an opportunity to connect with another man at Midtown Community Church? Fill out the survey below, and Midtown will pair you up with a different guy each month. You can decide how you want to connect, whether it be over coffee, lunch, beer or a sporting activity, etc. SIGNUP HERE: [Men's Lunch Ladder Sign-Up](#). If you have any further questions, feel free to reach out to James Stephens at jestephensnc@gmail.com.

September Prayer Calendar

In case you missed this month's prayer calendar, you can find it here: [Midtown September Prayer Calendar](#). If you have suggestions for our next prayer calendar, please send them to [Erin Wright](#).

Women's Fellowship Need

The Women's Shepherding Team is looking for a lady or two who would be interested in helping plan social events for the women of Midtown. While this will look different during the season we're in, we are confident there are still many options available. If you feel lead to this, or know someone you think would be great at it, please contact the Women's Shepherding Team at womensshepherding@midtown-church.org.

Pastor's Resources

[Prioritize Church, Even When There's No Childcare](#) by Kirsten Black

Whether or not you are a parent, this article is applicable to the season we find ourselves in. It is a joy to see all the children at our outdoor services and I hope more of you will join us as time goes on. Contact Pastor Lindsey at lindsey@midtown-church.org for more information.

Women's Fall Bible Study

The women of Midtown Community Church are studying Jen Wilkin's new study on the book of Psalms. If you are interested in joining a group, please contact Katherine Williams at womensshepherding@midtown-church.org.



Want more information about today's announcements?

Head on over to the website: midtown-church.org/events

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