



DRAWING IN • GROWING UP • SENDING OUT

Don't you often hope: "May this book, idea, course, trip, job, country, or relationship fulfill my deepest desire." But as long as you are waiting for that mysterious moment you will go on running helter-skelter, always anxious and restless . . . never fully satisfied. You know that this is the compulsiveness that keeps us going and busy, but at the same time makes me wonder whether we are getting anywhere in the long run. This is the way to spiritual exhaustion. • Henri Nouwen

July 25, 2021

Welcome to Midtown's 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 and Prayer Card

New to Midtown? Need Prayer? We'd love to hear from you! Our QR code will bring you to our [Connect & Prayer Card Form](#). To scan, simply open the camera app or download a QR scanner onto your phone and hover over the QR barcode. If you have any additional questions or need assistance, please contact Erin Wright at erin@midtown-church.org.



Find Us Online



midtown-church.org



[@midtowncommunitychurch](https://www.instagram.com/midtowncommunitychurch)



[midtownchurchraleigh](https://www.facebook.com/midtownchurchraleigh)



[midtown community church](https://www.youtube.com/midtowncommunitychurch)

[Order of Service](#)



Our objective is to honor the Lord's desire for the gathering of the saints while maintaining safe and healthy guidelines to best love our neighbor.



Every other pew is roped off to allow 6 feet distancing between households.



Sanitizing stations are available at each entrance/exit point.



Indoor worship is mask-optional for those who have been vaccinated, but we encourage those who have not been vaccinated to continue wearing masks.



Our regular Sunday practices have been altered to provide the safest environment for our folks (communion, offering, coffee, hospitality, dismissal practices, etc.).



Our in-person and livestreamed worship service will begin at 10:30AM from June 6 - Sept 5.



People who are at-risk or of compromised immunity are encouraged to use extra caution in public gatherings.



Doors will remain open as long as temperature allows. Please enter through the main sanctuary doors and exit through the doors to the left and right of the stage.



Our Children's Ministry currently offers two classes: walker/toddlers (1s & 2s) and a 3s & 4s class. All other children may remain with their parents in the sanctuary. We will accommodate children birth - 5th grade beginning 9/12/21.

Please stay home if you have a fever or are feeling symptomatic. Church closure can happen if there is a spike in local infections.

Order of Service

| | |
|--------|--|
| PAGE 1 | BULLETIN QUOTE |
| 2 | WELCOME AND CONNECT |
| 3 | HYGIENIC CHURCH GUIDELINES |
| 5 | CALL TO WORSHIP |
| 6 | CONFESSION OF FAITH |
| 7 | SONG OF ADORATION: All Creatures of Our God and King |
| 8 | SONG OF THANKSGIVING: May the Peoples Praise You |
| 9 | DOXOLOGY |
| | PASTORAL PRAYER |
| | SCRIPTURE: 2 Samuel 5:1-5; 7:1-17 |
| 10 | SERMON OUTLINE: Up To Me |
| | SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION |
| 11 | SONG OF RESPONSE: Red Sea Road |
| | BENEDICTION |
| 12 | THIS WEEK AT MIDTOWN |
| | MIDTOWN NEWS |
| 14 | SERVING AT MIDTOWN |
| 15 | STAFF AND MINISTRY LEADERS |
| 16 | MIDTOWN MOTTO |

Call to Worship

From Psalm 36:5-10

Leader: Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens,

All: your faithfulness to the clouds.

Leader: Your righteousness is like the mountains of God;

All: your judgments are like the great deep;

Leader: How precious is your steadfast love, O God!

All: The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

Leader: They feast on the abundance of your house,

All: and you give them drink from the river of your delights.

Leader: For with you is the fountain of life;

All: in your light do we see light.

Leader: Oh, continue your steadfast love to those who know you,

All: and your righteousness to the upright of heart!

Confession of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism #26

Q. What do you believe when you say: "I believe in God the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth?"

A. That the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who out of nothing created heaven and earth and all that is in them, and who still upholds and governs them by his eternal counsel and providence, is, for the sake of Christ his Son, my God and my Father. In him I trust so completely as to have no doubt that he will provide me with all things necessary for body and soul, and will also turn to my good whatever adversity he sends me in this life of sorrow. He is able to do so as almighty God, and willing also as a faithful Father.

Song of Adoration

All Creatures of Our God and King

All creatures of our God and King; Lift up your voice and with us sing

O praise Him! Alleluia!

Thou, burning sun with golden beam; Thou, silver moon with softer gleam

O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless; And worship Him in humbleness

O praise Him! Alleluia

Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son; And praise the Spirit, Three in One!

O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

All the Redeemed washed by His blood; Come and rejoice in His great love

O praise Him! Alleluia!

Christ has defeated every sin; Cast all your burdens now on Him

O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

He shall return in pow'r to reign; Heaven and earth will join to say

O praise Him! Alleluia!

Then who shall fall on bended knee?; All creatures of our God and King

O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia!

O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Words: St. Francis of Assisi (1225) | tr. William H. Draper (1855-1933), alt.

Tune: Geistliche Kirchengesänge, Cologne, 1623 | arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

Song of Thanksgiving

May the Peoples Praise You

You have called us out of darkest night
Into Your glorious light
That we may sing the wonders of
The risen Christ

May our every breath retell the grace
That broke into our strife
With boundless love and deepest joy
With endless life

(chorus)

May the peoples praise You
Let the nations be glad
All Your blessing comes
That we may praise
May praise the Name of Jesus

All the earth is Yours and all within
Each harvest is Your own
And from Your hand we give to You
To make Christ known

David Zimmer | Ed Cash | Keith Getty | Kristyn Getty | Stuart Townend

© 2016 Capitol CMG Paragon (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing) | Getty Music Publishing (Admin. by Music Services, Inc.) | Townend Songs (Admin. by Music Services, Inc.)

May the seeds of mercy grow in us
For those who have not heard
May songs of praise build lives of grace
To spread Your Word
(chorus)

This our holy priv'lege to declare
Your praises and Your name
To every nation tribe and tongue
Your church proclaim
(chorus)

(bridge)

Holy Holy is the Lord Almighty
Worthy worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Holy Holy is the Lord Almighty
All creation praise Your glorious Name
(chorus)

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 12 and 13 of the bulletin.

Pastoral Prayer

Reverend Duane Davis

Scripture Reading

Jordan Nitz

[2 Samuel 5:1-5; 7:1-17](#)

Sermon

Up To Me

Reverend Duane Davis

Sermon Outline

Up To Me

[2 Samuel 5:1-5; 7:1-17](#)

I. Being Beloved

II. Being Broken and Beautiful

III. Being Given

Sacrament of Communion

[Order of Service](#)

Song of Response

Red Sea Road

We, buried dreams
Laid them deep into the earth behind us
Said, our goodbyes
At the grave but everything reminds us
God knows, we ache
When He asks us to go on
How do we go on?

(chorus)

We will sing, to our souls
We won't bury our hope
Where He leads us to go
There's a red sea road
When we can't, see the way
He will part, the waves
And we'll never walk alone
Down a red sea road

How, can we trust
When You say You will deliver us from
All, of this pain, that threatens to take over us
Well, this desert's dry
But the ocean may consume
And we're scared, to follow You
(chorus)

Oh help us believe
You are faithful, You're faithful
When our hearts are breaking
You are faithful, You're faithful
Oh grant us eyes to see
You are faithful, You're faithful
Teach us to sing
You are faithful, You're faithful, You're faithful
(chorus)

Words & Music: Christa Wells, Ellie Holcomb, Nicole Witt
© 2015 Kiss Me Not Publishing Full Heart Music

Benediction

[Order of Service](#)

This Week at Midtown

| DATE | EVENT | TIME & PLACE |
|---------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Monday 7.26.2021 | Staff Meeting | 12:30pm Neomonde |
| Monday 7.26.2021 | Leadership Meeting | 7:30pm Parlor |
| Tuesday 7.27.2021 | Men's Disc Golf | 11:30am Cedar Hills Park |
| Tuesday 7.27.2021 | Men's Mutual Benefit Society | 7:00pm Lynnwood Brewing Concern |
| Wednesday 7.28.2021 | Summer Book Club | 7:30pm Pastor Lindsey's Backyard |

Midtown News

MIDTOWN SPROUTS

Location Change for July 25TH - TODAY!

Midtown Sprouts will be held in the basement of the Education Building (where it used to be held). The Preschool's air conditioning is broken but we hope to return to our new space ASAP.

Volunteer Survey - Very Important!!

Midtown Sprouts & Kids will return to its full strength on September 12th! We will serve Midtown's children from birth through 5th grade and are eager to build our team of teachers. Click here: [Volunteer Survey](#) or use the QR code below to complete the survey. ***We request that all members complete the survey by the end of July. If you are not a member, but are interested in teaching, please contact Sarah Breazeale at sarah@midtown-church.org.***



Back-to-School Movie Night: September 10TH

Save the date! Midtown Sprouts & Kids will be hosting a family movie night on Friday, September 10th. The final question of the [volunteer survey](#) allows you to vote for the movie your family would most like to watch. Vote today!

[Order of Service](#)

We Need Your Help!

We are building the Sprouts schedule for August and need volunteers for our walking 1s & 2s and 3s & 4s classes. Use the [Volunteer Sign-Up](#) or QR code below to sign up for a spot.



MEN'S MUTUAL BENEFIT SOCIETY: July 27TH • 7-11PM • Lynnwood Brewing Concern

We will continue to meet every other Tuesday throughout the summer. These largely informal gatherings have been designed to give guys an opportunity to catch up, meet new people, and encourage one another. Come when you can, and stay as long as you'd like. Contact Pastor Duane at duane@midtown-church.org for more information.

MIDTOWN WOMEN'S SOCIAL NIGHT: August 14TH • 7:45PM

Save the date! Midtown's women will gather for their next social event in the Lake Boone Shopping Center Courtyard (behind Guasaca) on Saturday, August 14th. The courtyard offers food from a variety of restaurants, ice cream from Two Roosters, and fun drinks from Bottle Revolution. It will be a casual event, so just bring yourself for a great time! Contact Catie Killinger and Katherine Dysart at womensministry@midtown-church.org with questions.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO SUPPORT STRUGGLING FAMILIES IN THE RALEIGH AREA?

If you have a desire for you or your family to be a blessing to struggling families in the Raleigh area, we have just learned about an awesome ministry that could be a perfect opportunity to leverage our resources for the greater good. It's called [Safe Families for Children](#); to learn more, watch this video: [Re-Thinking Foster Care](#). If you are interested in this opportunity for yourself or our church, please reach out to Pastor Lindsey at lindsey@midtown-church.org.

Serving at Midtown

If you are interested in serving, please contact erin@midtown-church.org.

Week of July 25th

AV Team

Jayson Cleary
Tim Dement

Greeters

Coming Soon

Coffee

Coming Soon

Worship Leader

Jason Harrod:
vocals, guitar, harmonica

Worship Team

Mike Harrigan: electric guitar
Steven Hillerman: piano
Michael Merritt: cajon
Amanda Merritt: bass guitar
Kara Williams: vocals



Point Person

Coming in September

ACORNS

Nursery

Coming in September

RAINDROPS

Walkers - 2s

Kayla Beucke
Catie Killinger

SUNSHINE

3s and 4s

Pat & Marissa Wallace

SEEDLINGS

4s and Kindergarten

Coming in September

OAKS

1st-5th Grade

Coming in September

Staff and Ministry Leader

Staff

Lindsey Williams, Head Pastor

lindsey@midtown-church.org

919.601.3903

Duane Davis, Assistant Pastor

duane@midtown-church.org

Sarah Breazeale

Director of Children's Ministry

sarah@midtown-church.org

Charity Cleary

Assistant Director of Children's Ministry

charity@midtown-church.org

Kyle Doss, Youth Director

kyle@midtown-church.org

Jason Harrod, Worship Director

jason@midtown-church.org

Erin Wright, Administrative Coordinator

erin@midtown-church.org

Katherine Brown, Interim Marketing Director

admin@midtown-church.org

Ministry Leaders

ELDERS

elders@midtown-church.org

Jayson Cleary

Wally Tinsley

Warren Wright

DIACONATE

deacons@midtown-church.org

Seth Peterson

Rand Williams

Adam Wright

WOMEN'S SHEPHERDING TEAM

womensshepherding@midtown-church.org

Kayla Beucke

Meredith Schauer

Kara Williams

Katherine Williams

Renewed by Jesus Christ for the purpose
of **drawing** people into community, **growing**
as an authentic worshipping community,
and **sending** them out to renew and create
communities locally and globally.



Worship

2011 Ridge Road, Raleigh, NC 27607

Mail

PO Box 20269, Raleigh, NC 27619

Financials

PO Box 51674, Durham, NC 27717

Website

www.midtown-church.org