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Third Sunday of Epiphany

The Moments

MIDVALE COMMUNITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Midvale Community Lutheran Church is a community of believers in Jesus Christ, called by the Holy Spirit to PRAISE, LIVE and SHARE God's love.

Worship

Saturday - 5:00 pm
Sunday - 8:00 & 10:30 am
Evangelical Lutheran Worship
Hospitality time between services
Education Hour - 9:15 am
Nursery Hours - 7:50 - 11:45 am

Preparing for Worship

January 22
Third Sunday of Epiphany

First Lesson

Jonah 3:1-5, 10

Psalm

Psalm 62:5-12

Second Lesson

1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Gospel

Mark 1:14-20

Stories of the call to discipleship continue as the Time after Epiphany plays out the implications of our baptismal calling to show Christ to the world. Jesus begins proclaiming the good news and calling people to repentance right after John the Baptist is arrested for preaching in a similar way. Knowing that John was later executed, we see at the very outset the cost of discipleship. Still, the two sets of fisherman brothers leave everything they have known and worked for all their lives to follow Jesus and fish for people.

Midvale's Annual Meeting - Sunday, February 12, 2012

Time: Immediately following the 10:30 service.

Where: Fellowship Hall

Agenda: Approval of the 2012 budget

Wakefield Property

Parish Nurse position

Nominations and elections of officers,

Council and other committees.

Annual report - Printed copies are available the weekend of Feb 4-5. Please read and bring with you to the annual meeting.

Youth Subs - Pick up your Youth Committee subs to enjoy during the annual meeting. Pre-order by Feb 5.

January 29 - Council's proposed budget will be shared at the Adult Forum (9:15). Learn about various budget items, ask questions, and provide input to the Council regarding budget issues.

Education Hour For All

Sundays at 9:15 am

FOR CHILDREN

January 22

Pre-K: Mary and Martha

K-6: House on the Rock

Confirmation - Jesus' Nazareth Sermon

FOR ADULTS - FELLOWSHIP HALL

January 22 - Malaria, the ELCA Malaria Campaign - Ways Midvale can participate in the effort to eradicate malaria.

January 29 - Council's Proposed Budget Discussion



From Pastor Katie

“Tell Your Story”

After Christmas, we spent time with family. One of the greatest aspects of extended family life is the telling of stories. It was a joy to watch my daughters listen with rapt attention to their grandma’s story about how she won first place at the Minnesota State Fair showing her Morgan Horse back in the 1950’s. Or how their six-year old grandpa picked peas alongside German POWS in the summer of 1944. Or how their other grandma was able to speak the Spanish she had learned at school with the migrant workers in North Dakota while they hoed sugar beets in the 1960’s. Telling our stories to each other is not only interesting, but it is powerfully important.

Stories, not arguments, change lives and shape identities. A story invites people across the separating chasm, making everyone a winner. Jesus knew this as he shared God’s mission through the stories he told. Jesus’ parables were powerful to his first century agrarian audiences because they were about vineyards, seeds, robbers, barns. They were stories that held powerful sway with his hearers. While we modern hearers of Jesus’ stories live in a different world, the same realities of loss, reconciliation, forgiveness and acceptance are also at play in our lives.

As followers of Jesus the Storyteller, I hope you will consider telling your own story of God’s work in your life. Tell your children the stories of how you have experienced God. Tell your friends about how God has changed your mind, redirected your paths, and opened new horizons for you. Be bold in your storytelling, try to find words to describe the holy places and times in your life, even if finding words for those times is challenging. Tell your story and then leave the rest up to the Holy Spirit who takes up where our stories end.



In Your Prayers this Week Remember:

- † hospitality as we welcome friends, visitors and guests
- † health, comfort and healing for: Mark Nelson (Corinna Wells’s father), Tom Rohweder, Nan Goble, Steve Borth, Sylvia & Lester Laedtke, Tilden Kaup, Arlys Kempf, Everett Hanson, Jean Finstad, Ruth Blanch, Tom Reynolds, Clarence Guetzkow, Gary Grummer, Susanne Thielke, Debby Loftsgordon, Frank Turk (Tricia Holm’s uncle), Jennifer Edmundson (Pam Frey’s sister), Pete Lohr (Vi Hovland’s brother), Tim Elmer (Tom Elmer’s brother), Vivian Cottrell (Eddy Paske’s sister).
- † For the safety and well-being of all who serve in the military, acknowledging all they do in service to our nation
- † Hope in the resurrection for Gary Grummer on the death of James Grummer, his father.

January Bible Study - The Gospel of Mark

Join Pastor Katie for the two remaining Wednesdays at either 9:30 a.m. or 6:30 p.m. on January 25 and February 1 for the Bible Study on the Gospel of Mark. Feel free to attend either the daytime or evening session even if you missed the other two sessions.

Adult Forum

January 29 Council Proposed Budget Discussion

Council's proposed budget will be shared with the congregation at the Adult Forum (9:15) on Sunday, January 29, 2012 - two weeks before the Annual meeting.

This presentation provides an opportunity for members to learn about the various budget items, ask questions, and provide input to the Council regarding budget issues.

2012 Youth Sub Sale

February 12 - coordinated with the Annual Meeting.

Submit your order:

- * Before and after services on Sundays or
- * Fax 238-2112 or
- * Place in an envelope by the office door bulletin board.

Please order by February 5. You may eat your sub during the meeting if you like. We will have drinks, chips and cookies available for purchase.

Altar Flowers

Altar flowers were given the weekend of January 14-15 in celebration of Joan Lund's birthday by her family.

Church Leadership Positions Open for 2012

The following church leadership positions need to be filled in 2012:

Vice President/President Elect
Chair of the Evangelism Committee
Chair of Life and Growth Committee
Chair of the Stewardship Committee.

Vice President/President Elect is a two-year time commitment and the Chair positions are a three-year time commitment.

Also needed are congregation members to serve on various committees. Please prayerfully consider using your talents to assume a leadership role at Midvale Community Lutheran. The congregation will be voting on the list of nominees at the annual meeting on February 12.

For further information on these positions, contact Pastor Bruce, Pastor Katie, or any of the current members of the Church Council.

Those Serving

January 21-22

Preaching

Pastor Katie Baardseth

Presiding

Pastor Bruce Loewenhagen

Assisting

5:00 pm Stevie Gjovik
8:00 am Shaun Haedt, Gayle Perlberg
10:30 am Laura & John Svaren

Lectors

5:00 pm Sue Wroblewski
8:00 am Karen Mandt
10:30 am Sandy Johnson

Acolytes

8:00 am Devin Porter
10:30 am Payden Allen, Saylor Allen

Greeters

5:00 pm Dylan Abraham
8:00 am Shaun Haedt, Gayle Perlberg
10:00 am John & Laura Svaren,
Nancy Abraham

Nursery

8:00 am Kristin Zorn
10:30 am Kristin Zorn, Char White

Music

Coordinator of Music: Janice Hites
Organists: Ted Reinke, Dean Gardner
Pianists: Nancy Linder, Sybil Klatt
Guitar: Jim Pharos

Ushers

5:00 pm Jack Cotton, Ben Kempinen,
David Hopper, Dick Johnson,
Joan Larson, Doug Leslie
8:00 am Ron Fisher, Ken Larson, Paul
Minko, Bill Schwanke, Trevor
Sellers, Susan Wroblewski
10:30 am Al Hovland, Chris Bjorklund, Jim
Haedt, Shaun Haedt, Bill Kessler
Joel Peterson

Chancel Guild

Jill Bidlingmaier, Pat Drogsvold, Lois Jarvis,
Cheryl Krull, Nan Thompson

Midvale History Brief

“Women of the Church”

The first group to have been officially formed by the fledgling mission church, Midvale Community Lutheran, was that of the women. On June 18, 1953, less than two months after its founding, the church council approved the Women's Guild Constitution.

By the fall of 1959, the following ten circles were active: Deborah, Esther, Faith, Lydia, Martha, Naomi, Rebecca, Ruth, Salome, and Sarah. Currently, three circles, Charity, Esther, and Miriam (formerly Lydia) continue. Charity began in 1987. Individual circle members share with and support one another, stay in touch with homebound members, study the Bible or other books together, serve as occasional Sunday coffee hostesses, participate in Lutheran World Relief (LWR) projects, among other activities.

Women of the Church, with its circles, monthly meetings, special programs including advent and workshops for children, luncheons, serving at funerals and Lenten suppers continued until 1998. At that time the officers and members felt it was time to bring the official organization to a close - after a 45-year run.

Archives Work Group

Open Invitation to Join a Circle

Charity Circle	Esther Circle	Miriam Circle
3rd Wednesday -12:30	3rd Tuesday -1:00	2nd Monday at 1:30
Mary Lou Leslie	Karen Mandt	Beverly Zimmerman
849-6450	833-6960	274-2397

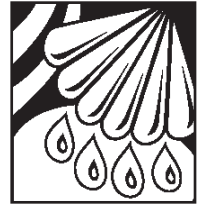
Please give a call to one of the contacts listed if you would like to receive more information or would like to join one of the circles. Meetings are held in the homes of members.

Advertiser of the Week

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We extend a special thank you to Hill Electric Inc. for advertising in *The Moments*. Please support the businesses that advertise in our newsletter. Let them know you saw their ad in *The Moments*!

Celebrating
January
Baptismal
Birthdays



Congratulations to our young people and their families as they celebrate the day on which God said to them, “I love you. You are mine!”

1/1 Al Polkinghorn
1/1 Viv Polkinghorn
1/7 Henry Adams
1/9 Tanner Zimmerman
1/13 Ainsley Barnett
1/25 Tavia Schmidt
1/28 Saylor Allen
1/31 Dane Nordeng

Congratulations!

Stefany and Corbett Grainger are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Adelyn Kenzie, on December 28! Adelyn joins her big sister, Raena.

Altar Flowers

To purchase altar flowers for 2012, please sign the flower chart posted on the bulletin board next to the office. The cost of an arrangement is \$30. The office will order the flowers and a reminder of payment will be sent to you before your chosen date.

Midvale Art Tour

The art piece being featured in January and February 2012 is the Epiphany Quilt created by Midvale member and quilter Marge Krohn.

Marge Krohn began to create quilts celebrating the seasons of the church year in 1997. This Epiphany Quilt was the last in a series of 7 quilts she made. The estimated completion date is 1998. Prior to 2011 these quilts were loaned to us from Marge's collection. In June 2011, she officially donated all 7 of these beautiful quilts to Midvale Community Lutheran Church. This quilt uses many small metallic diamonds and creates a star image. Marge chose the red, blue, white and gold metallic colors in this quilt because they were variations on the Christmas colors.

Marge used her vast collection of fabrics to create the quilts for Midvale. Her design, skill, and execution make this collection a valuable gift for the congregation's continued enjoyment. This quilt can be viewed at the end of the hallway past the Church office.

Joyce Cotton
Roving Reporter

Youth Bowling Outing

A youth bowling outing is being planned for Saturday, January 28 from 5-7 pm at Schwoeggler Lanes on Grand Canyon Drive in Madison. The event is for 6th - 12th graders. Friends are welcome too. Our plan is to bowl 2 games and have some dinner while we bowl.

The Youth and Family Committee will pick up the tab for dinner (expected to be pizza, soda, etc.) We are asking that participants contribute \$10 to cover the cost of bowling and shoes. As always, we don't want money to be a reason for not participating. So if that is an issue, just let me know and we'll make it work.

Please RSVP to Jay Wians at jtwians@charter.net or at 236-9103.

Hope to see you there!

January 22 Adult Forum - ELCA Malaria Campaign

Malaria kills 800,000 people each year, most are children under age five. Every 45 seconds a child dies of malaria. Almost 9 out of 10 of the 800,000 people who die from malaria each year live in Africa. The ELCA in cooperation with our church partners in Africa is focusing with a new intensity on eradicating malaria.

The ELCA and its predecessor church bodies have supported clinics and programs in Africa to provide health care. For many years, the ELCA has been building relationships of accompaniment and mutual respect with our companion churches in Africa. Together with our church partners, we are poised to bring about a massive grassroots movement to contain malaria and bring hope to those who suffer. Lutheran churches in Africa are not just places of worship. They are the center of community life. That's what makes our work-the work of the church, through churches-perfectly positioned to make a difference.

Through the ELCA Malaria Campaign, the ELCA is joining hands with eleven Lutheran church bodies in Africa and becoming part of an historic global movement to say, "Enough is enough!" No child, no person, should die of a disease that is both preventable and treatable. Therefore the ELCA Malaria Campaign has committed to raise \$15 million to help prevent, treat and educate communities in Africa about malaria and eliminate deaths from this disease-for good.

Come to the Adult Forum on Sunday, January 22 and learn more about Malaria, the ELCA Malaria Campaign and ways Midvale can participate in the effort to eradicate malaria.



We Thank Our Lay Ministers Who Served During the Week

Offering Counters - Jack Lohrentz, Pat Peterson
 Wafer Sealed *The Moments* - Mary Laedtke & Mike Brennecke
 Labeled *The Moments* - Gloria Risberg, Bev Zimmerman
 Took *The Moments* to post office - LaVerne and Karon Quam
 Pew Supply Team - Jo Conger & Jan Anderzon

Memorials

Thank you for the memorials that have been given in honor of Midvale members. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. Unfortunately, due to the change in staffing the office, there has been a delay in sending out thank you letters to acknowledge these gifts. Thank you letters will be sent in January.

Thank you

Sincere thanks for all the expressions of sympathy I received at Ed "Chow's" passing. The prayers, cards, and love shown him have made the transition much easier for me. God is Great and gives you the strength and mindset to pray and go on! God bless you, each and every one.

Edna Parisi

Coffee Hour

Host/Hostesses Needed

Sunday morning coffee hour is a wonderful time to share fellowship with other Midvale members and guests. We are needing hosts/hostesses to provide the yummy treats and make the coffee. If you can help with hosting, please sign up on the bulletin board next to the office.

Prayer Chain - Please call Marilyn Knutson, 274-5662; or Mary Lou Leslie, 849-6450; if you have a prayer request.

Food for Thought

The world needs a peace that passes all MISunderstanding.

This Week at Midvale

Saturday, January 21

Hosting The Road Home (IHN) families
 5:00 pm WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday, January 22

The Road Home - Loading the U-Haul
 8:00 am - WORSHIP SERVICE
Hospitality Hour between services
 9:15 am - Adult Forum F. Hall
 9:15 am - Sunday School 2nd Floor
 10:30 am - WORSHIP SERVICE

Monday, January 23

7:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 104 F. Hall

Tuesday, January 24

9:15 am Yoga for Life-Advanced F. Hall
 10:45 am Yoga For Life F. Hall
 1:00 pm Navajo Weavers F. Hall
 7:00 pm Madison Flute Choir Rm 31-33

Wednesday, January 25

9:30 am Mark Bible Study Meeting Rm
 11:00 am AA High Noon Group Rm 31-33
 11:00 am Toastmasters - Hill Farms Club Meeting Rm
 6:00 pm Confirmation Youth Room
 6:30 pm Mark Bible Study Meeting Rm
 6:30 pm Autism 101 Class F. Hall
 7:00 pm Handbell Rehearsal Sanctuary

Thursday, January 26

9:15 am Yoga For Life - Advanced F. Hall
 12:00 pm Thursday AA Group (Lunch Bunch) Rm 21
 3:30 pm Tai Chi for Older Adults F. Hall
 4:45 pm Tai Chi for Older Adults F. Hall
 6:30 pm COSA Rm 31-33
 7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary

Friday, January 27

11:00 am 11th Step Alanon Group Rm 31-33, Rm 21

Saturday, January 28

5:00 pm WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday, January 29

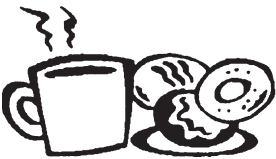
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