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Baptism of Our Lord

The Moments

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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 8

Baptism of Our Lord

First Lesson

Genesis 1:1-5

Psalm

Psalm 29

Second Lesson

Acts 19:1-7

Gospel

Mark 1:4-11

Mark's gospel reports the story of Jesus' baptism with some irony: the one on whom the Spirit descends is himself the one who will baptize others with the Holy Spirit.

January Bible Study - The Gospel of Mark

The Gospel of Mark is not just good news about Jesus. It reveals, sometimes in surprising and scandalous ways, how Jesus is God's good news to you and me. This study will take four questions based in the text and challenges participants to explore them thoughtfully together.

1. What Kind of Beginning is This? Mark 1:1-15
2. Who's In? Who's Out? Mark 7: 14-30
3. Who Do You Say Jesus Is? Mark 8: 27-9:1
4. What Does the Glory of God look Like? Mark 9: 2-13

Join Pastor Katie for four Wednesdays at either 9:30AM or 6:30PM, January 11, 18, 25, February 1.

Education Hour For All

Sundays at 9:15 am

FOR CHILDREN

January 8 -

Pre-K: Fishers of Men

K-6: House on the Rock

Confirmation - The Wilderness Temptations

FOR ADULTS - FELLOWSHIP HALL

January 8 - Voter ID and You

January 15 - It's All About The Numbers:

Economic Conditions in the State of Wisconsin



"Word"

I enjoy the "Super Quiz" printed in the Daily Journal, probably because the questions get me oriented to a new day. Here is a recent one:

Subject: WORDS. Where might you see it/them?

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|----------------|----|----------|
| Freshman Level | 1. | Nave |
| | 2. | Stile |
| | 3. | Ante |
| Graduate Level | 4. | Busby |
| | 5. | Cravat |
| | 6. | Gunwale |
| Ph.D. Level | 7. | Arete |
| | 8. | Cantle |
| | 9. | Philtrum |

ANSWERS: 1. Church (central part). 2. Fence or wall (steps over). 3. Poker game (Initial stake). 4. On a head (hat). 5. Around a man's neck (tie). 6. Boat (upper edge of the side). 7. Mountains (ridge). 8. Saddle (back of seat). 9. Between nose and upper lip.

Just as this quiz helps get things moving in our minds, so it is in our faith life. Bible study orients us to the ways of God. I hope you will consider joining me for an upcoming Bible Study on the Gospel of Mark. Let's add one more question as we get ourselves oriented to this New Year 2012:

Subject: WORD. Where you might see him?

10. Jesus Christ

ANSWER: 10. Bible Study (Gospel of Mark, Wednesdays at 9:30AM or 6:30PM , January 11, 18, 25, February 1)



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, Trudy Starr, Steve Borth, Sylvia Laedtke, Tilden Kaup, Arlys Kempf, Everett Hanson, Jean Finstad, Ruth Blanch, Tom Reynolds, Clarence Guetzkow, Gary Grummer, Jim Grummer (Gary's father), 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

Altar Flowers are given by Mary Holm in memory of loved ones and for the celebration of Christmas.

Food for Thought

The world needs a peace that passes all MISunderstanding.

Second Saturday Potluck

Please join us for food, fellowship, and fun following the 5:00 service. Sunday worshippers are also welcome!

January 14
February 11
March 10
April 14
May 12

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 the date you have chosen.

Thank You

Special thanks to the following people who donated at the Red Cross Center (October - mid-December):

Susan Wroblewski
Bobbi Fey
Pat Peterson
Joe Johnson
Karen Mandt
Lavonne Berkvam
Randi Leeder
Loraine Mael
Elizabeth Mael

YTD total as of 12/15 - 51 pints!

Welcome Eli!

Congratulations to Brenda Goble, Director of Youth & Family Ministry, and husband Matt Goble on the arrival of Midvale's newest member!



Elias Brendan Goble
December 20 at 3:51am
7 lbs 12 oz & 20"

Coin Box Collection

In November the CRSA/Social Ministry Committee passed out Hunger Awareness Calendars and Coin Boxes. We will be collecting these coin boxes during worship on January 8 and January 15. You can also bring your Hunger Coin Box to the church office and turn it in there. A box for the Hunger Coin Boxes is in Sue Carnell's office.

Those Serving

January 7 - 8

Preaching

Pastor Katie Baardseth

Presiding

Pastor Bruce Loewenhagen

Assisting

5:00 pm Kim Frey
8:00 am Joyce Hilgers, Jim Haedt
10:30 am Toni Swandby, Patty Williams

Lectors

5:00 pm Jodi Achterberg
8:00 am Nan Thompson
10:30 am Toni Swandby

Acolytes

8:00 am Gus Schmidt, Greta Schmidt
10:30 am Eleanor Gnam, Oscar Gnam

Greeters

5:00 pm Kim Frey
8:00 am Joyce Hilgers, Jim Haedt
10:00 am Gary & Patti Williams, Cheryl Krull

Nursery

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

Music

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

Ushers

5:00 pm Gene Nelson, Glenn Hoffman, Ali Hoile, Mary Laedtke, Kip Schick, John Warnick, Ben Wians
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

The Road Home

Midvale will again be hosting homeless families for a week beginning January 15. We serve them breakfast and dinner in Fellowship Hall each day and have a bedroom prepared for each family in the basement of the education wing. During the day they go to school, jobs, or the Day Center at The Road Home where they work with caseworkers on numerous things such as resumes, and applications for jobs, apartments, or assistance. Different churches host them each week. Through the combined efforts of a large number of volunteers, each church gives these families a warm place to sleep, nourishing meals, and a hope for a better future.

During the Christmas season, this opportunity for mission to those less fortunate is a good reminder for us that Christ came to earth for everyone. Can you donate your time or talents to help these families? Want to sign up? The sign up board is in the gathering space, or sign up online at <http://www.midvalelutheran.org> Click on "The Road Home Sign-Up" link, or call Toni Swandby - 274-5668. Questions: Talk to Greg Lampe, Sandy Jordan, Joyce Cotton, Gayle Perlberg, or Randi Leeder.

Adult Forum - 9:15 am - Fellowship Hall

January 8 - Voter ID and You

Maribeth Witzel-Behl, Madison City Clerk, began working in the Madison City Clerk's Office in 2004, and was promoted to City Clerk in 2006. As Clerk, she is responsible for implementing the Voter ID law in the City of Madison among her other statutory duties. Maribeth has a degree in journalism and political science from the UW Eau Claire.

January 15 - It's All About The Numbers: Economic Conditions in the State of Wisconsin

Midvale member Nelse Grundvig is Labor Market Information Director for the State of Wisconsin. He will talk about how to interpret statistics we read in the newspapers. For example, when we read, "State jobs lost in November" what does it really mean? Nelse will untangle for us some of the diverging trends, social conditions and economic measures to provide an overview of the changing state of the State. Questions and opinions are welcome.

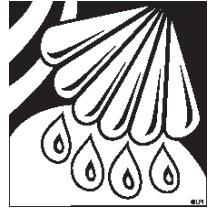
Advertiser of the Week

Maly Roofing

4202 Robertson Rd * 249-7663

We extend a special thank you to Maly Roofing 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

MCLW Circles

Charity Circle

Charity Circle will meet on January 18 at 12:30 pm at the home of Pat Peterson, 9 Stonefield Terrace. There will be no meeting in February.

Esther Circle

Esther Circle will meet on January 17 at 1:00 at the home of Nancy Abraham, 701 Copeland Street.

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

Thank You

To the clergy, nurse, quilters and knitters, friends and neighbors for the cards you sent me for my 95th birthday. It was a wonderful day. I wish you a health and happiness during the coming year.

Your friend,
Sally Heuser



Live Nativity

pictured: Carolyn Cain, John Cain,
Ralph Mork, Stephanie Mork, Samantha,
Kaitlin Mork, Mark Bangsberg

The Evangelism Committee would like to thank those who participated in the live nativity tradition:

Mark Bangsberg
Jim & Carole Peterson
John & Carolyn Cain
Nancy Abraham
Sue Stanton Messimer & Cady
Michael Zelm
Cheryl Krull
Ralph & Stephanie Mork, Kaitlin Mork and friend Samantha

John & Laura Svaren, Grace & Esther
Glenn Hoffman
Karen Mandt
Pastor Bruce & Annie Loewenhagen
Diane Paskey, Branden & Christa
Dylan Abraham

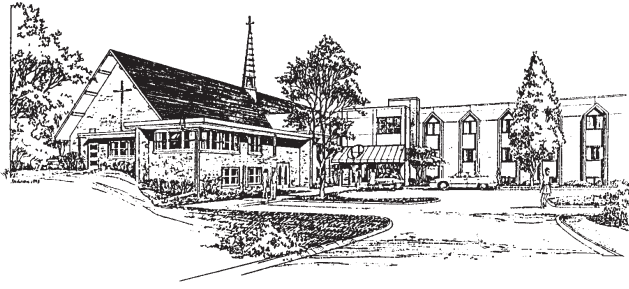
ELCA Malaria Campaign

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 grass-roots 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 - Glenn Hoffman, Grace White,
Jack Lohrentz, Keith Knowles

Wafer Sealed *The Moments* - Mary Laedtke

Labeled *The Moments* - Gloria Risberg, Eleanor Chipman

Took *The Moments* to post office - LaVerne and Karon Quam

Pew Supply Team - Susan & Keith Knowles

Servers for Duane Conger funeral - Gail Maki, Karen Mandt,
Joan Larson, Carol Johnson

Servers for Ed Parisi funeral - Delores Nelson, Marion Thoresen,
Carol Johnson

Office Help Needed

In Nan's absence the office continues to need help to answer phones and do routine tasks. Please signup in the office if you can help.

Please note that it is helpful for articles for the Moments and other communications previously sent to Nan to be sent to the church's general mailbox: info@midvalelutheran.org.

A Child is Born

A child is born,
This Christmas day.
To save us from sin.
And show us the way.
Mary his mother,
Holds Him in her arms
Safe and dry,
To Him no harm.

The angels sing,
The shepherds in awe
Looking above,
The star they saw.
The wise men bow,
The gifts they gave
To the child,
Born to save.

It is Christmas
A brand new day.
Born in a manger.
To show the way.

- Dylan Abraham

This Week at Midvale

Saturday, January 7

5:00 pm WORSHIP SERVICE

Sunday, January 8

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 9

7:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 104 F. Hall

Tuesday, January 10

9:15 am Yoga for Life - Advanced F. Hall

10:45am Yoga for Life F. Hall

1:00 pm Navajo Weavers F. Hall

7:00 pm Madison Flute Club Room 31

Wednesday, January 11

9:30 am Mark Bible Study Rm 131

11:00 am AA High Noon Group Room 31

11:00 am Toastmasters- Hill Farms Club
Room 131

12:30 pm Madison Metro Women's
Craft Group F. Hall

6:00 pm Confirmation Youth Room

5:30 pm Executive Committee Library

6:30 pm Mark Bible Study Rm 131

7:00 pm Handbell Rehearsal Sanctuary

Thursday, January 12

9:15 am Yoga for Life - Advanced F. Hall

12 Noon 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 Sanctuary

7:00 pm Long Range Planning Rm 131

Friday, January 13

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

Saturday, January 14

12:30 pm Word & Sacrament Event F. Hall

5:00 pm WORSHIP SERVICE

6:00 pm Second Saturday Potluck F. Hall

Sunday, January 15

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

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