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# Always a fresh start

by Pastor Katie Baardseth

"So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us through Christ." -2 Corinthians 5

I love celebrating the New Year! I bet you do, too. Who can resist lifting up the promise of a fresh start, a new beginning? Most everybody around the world, in every culture enjoys this. January 1 is one of many dates for the new year. While most in western culture celebrate on the first official day of the Gregorian calendar, there are many New Year celebrations around the world. For example, Chinese New Year is February 10, 2024. Every year the changing date falls between Jan. 21 - Feb. 21, depending on when the new moon of the first lunar month falls. Some in my extended family celebrate New Year's twice- once on January 1 and also on Persian New Year which is March 19, 2024 at 10:06PM. This marks the exact moment of the vernal equinox, the instant when the sun crosses the Earth's equator, and day and night are of equal length. Many celebrate the New Year more than once.

Through my eyes of faith, multiple dates for a new year symbolize something wonderful. They remind me I have multiple chances to become new. A brand new year presents a new beginning. It means another chance to try again, a clean slate. In his book, *The Great North American Road Trip*, writer Aaron Lauritsen says, "There is strange comfort in knowing that no matter what happens today, the sun will rise again tomorrow." That's not only true for a cross-country road trip, but for our everyday lives. God knows we need more than just one day every year to become new, we need a fresh start every day. That is why God not only offers us a lifetime of fresh starts through the love of Jesus Christ-but God is already at work making us new even before we know we need to be! St. Paul says, "So, if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation; everything old has passed away, see I am making all things new!" Know that 2024 offers official new year dates on January 1, February 10, and March 19. But especially keep in mind God's promise to you-you've already been made new every day. Have a wonderful beginning today!

HAPPY NEW YEAR.

### Worship schedule

All worship is offered in-person in the Sanctuary

- Saturday at 5:00pm
- Sunday at 8:00am (also on Facebook Live)
- Sunday at 10:30am
- Sunday School and Adult Education at 9:15am

# The Festival of the Baptism of Our Lord - January 6-7

At his baptism, in the waters of the Jordan River, Jesus' identity as God's beloved Son is revealed. In the waters of baptism our identity as beloved children of God, adopted through Christ into God's family, is assured. This identity gives us purpose and meaning. As siblings of Jesus, we now follow Jesus' way as we live our lives. We celebrate our identity as God's beloved children on this festival weekend in worship!

# Gift books for all children baptized in the last year

Come to the Water, Little One: My Holy Baptism Board Book is a gift from the congregation. This colorful and inviting board book introduces young children to Holy Baptism. Books will be given in worship January 6-7. If you cannot attend that weekend, please contact the church office to arrange to receive your book.

# Holy Communion and First Communion Workshop

All third graders, and older children who have not yet participated in this workshop, along with a parent or guardian, are invited to attend a time of interactive instruction in the meaning and spirituality of Holy Communion. The workshop will be Saturday, January 6 at 2:30pm, with recognition in worship on either Saturday, January 6 or Sunday, January 7.

# Midvale's Worship Band - Sunday, January 28 at 10:30am

The band is bringing together familiar songs with new arrangements (think guitars and percussion) and new contemporary and praise music to our worship time. In the new year, enjoy singing along to some new music as well as familiar music with new accompaniment!

# Reconciling in Christ (RIC) celebration worship January 27-28

Since 2018, Midvale has been a Reconciling in Christ (RIC) congregation. This designation is given to ELCA congregations who are intentional about welcoming the full participation of LGBTQ persons in their faith communities. The weekend of January 27-28, Midvale will join more than 1,000 other ELCA congregations, synods, campus ministries, seminaries, and other ELCA organizations in celebrating Reconciling in Christ Sunday.

Reconciliation is a fundamental Christian goal and promise. "For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation." (Romans 5:10-11) Racism, sexism, ageism, able-ism, heterosexism, homophobia, transphobia, and all the other artificial distinctions that separate us and seek to raise one group into privilege and preference over another, diminish our world and church.

Join us in worship as we celebrate our reconciliation in Christ! If you have one of Midvale's Pride t-shirts, please wear it to worship!

#### Midvale's Welcome Statement

Midvale Community Lutheran Church welcomes all because Jesus welcomes all.

With you here, we are closer to who God is calling us to be.

If you've felt excluded or harmed in any way, you are welcome here.

Your gender identity, gender expression, and sexual orientation are welcome here.

Your family, children, friends, and partner are welcome here.

Your abilities, culture, socioeconomic circumstances, race, and religious background are welcome here.

Here you will find an affirming community committed to racial equity and welcoming of all.

We strive for all people to experience God's abundance.

In Christ, you are loved.

Welcome!

# Adult Education Sundays at 9:15am - Join us in the Fellowship Hall or on Zoom



January 7 –Title IX's Impact on College Sports at UW-Madison and Elsewhere with Denny and Jan Helwig



Midvale members Denny and Jan Helwig have both been recognized for their significant contributions as long-time athletic trainers at UW-Madison. Jan was inducted to the Wisconsin Athletics Trainers' Association Hall of Fame in 2007, and in 2023, Denny was inducted to the UW Athletic Hall of Fame. We are excited to have them at Adult Forum, for a talk focused on how UW-Madison approached the implementation of

Title IX, a federal law that prohibits gender-based discrimination in educational programs that receive funding from the federal government.

Denny and Jan are known for their enthusiastic support of women in athletics, whether as athletes, coaches, administrators and members of support staff. We are happy to have them share with us their perspectives on Title IX's implementation and impact on college sports at UW-Madison, and more broadly during this Adult Forum.



January 14 – The ELCA Social Message on Gun-Related Violence and Trauma with Pastor Jeff Wild and Ben Kempinen

The ELCA is currently working on a social message about gun-related violence and trauma. Social messages are ELCA teaching documents that

draw from existing social teaching but throw a fuller and sharper spotlight on a particular social issue. The draft's themes focus on trauma, public health, and an ethic of shared responsibility for peacemaking, seeking to move beyond the strict polarization of gun rights vs. gun control.

The ELCA has made available a draft version of this social message and is seeking our feedback. Midvale member Pastor Jeff Wild, Midvale Social Justice Committee leader Ben Kempinen and Pastor Blake will share with us the ELCA's draft statement

along with some of background and context that lead to its creation. We also hope for a lively discussion and your feedback on the ELCA's draft statement.



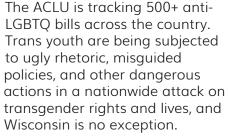
January 21— Hearing from the Palestinian Church and Context for the Conflict in the Holy Land with Pastor Blake Rohrer

Pastor Blake will share experiences from the Palestinian Christian community through the conflict and crisis and in the Holy Land. He will also share how the Lutheran

ministries are doing and describe what we can do to promote peace and a sustainable future. Pastor Blake has traveled to the Holy Land four times and has long term relationships with many in the Palestinian Christian community.



January 28 – The Fight for Trans Rights in Wisconsin with Rev. Tina Itson and Amanda Merkwae from ACLU of Wisconsin





Join us on Reconciling in Christ (RIC) Sunday, when Rev. Tina Itson and Amanda Merkwae from the ACLU of Wisconsin will give an overview of proposed

state and local legislation and policies impacting transgender Wisconsinites and share information about what you can do to support the rights and dignity of transgender people everywhere.

**Zoom link** - You do not need to register to attend the Adult Forum. Reference our weekly newsletter, The Moments, for the Zoom link or contact the church office. The same link will be used for all sessions.

#### Feedback Welcome!

The Adult Education Committee welcomes all thoughts, feedback and ideas for future Adult Forum programming. Please email adulteducation@ midvalelutheran.org or reach out to a Committee member directly.

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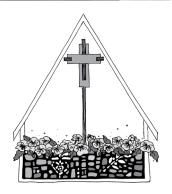


### We did it - the retirement of our mortgage!

By the time you read this newsletter, our church will have paid off our debt from the major remodeling and renewal of the Sanctuary, Gathering Space, Fellowship Hall, Kitchen, and Sacristy that was completed in 2010. We have paid off the 20 year mortgage 7 years early!



Thanks be to God for helping us accomplish this major milestone in our ministry together! Thank you for your contributions to the original capital campaign and for all your contributions to the Building Fund in the last several years. We did this together!



A generous final gift put us over the top. In October of 2023 we announced that by the end of the year we would be approximately \$30,000 away from paying off our debt. Then an anonymous member came forward to offer a gift of \$30,000 so that our mortgage could be retired by the beginning of 2024. They wanted to allow our church to move confidently into our vision for the Ministry Wing renewal with a clean slate.

### Celebration and congregational meal - January 28

All are invited to worship the weekend of January 27-28, where we will give thanks for the retirement of our debt.

A congregational meal of celebration will be held January 28 at 11:45am. All are invited. So there is an accurate meal count, please RSVP by January 21 to the church office at info@midvalelutheran.org or 608-238-7119 or by the link in "The Moments" email newsletter.

The menu includes: chicken wild rice soup, sandwiches - smoked honey ham, chicken salad, or vegetarian hummus wrap (GF rolls will be available) with all the fixings, Cranberry Creek signature salad, assorted bars and cookies, and coffee.

There is no cost for this meal! However, RSVPs are required by January 21. The anonymous member who made the final donation for the debt retirement also contributed to make this meal possible. It is a gift for our church to be able to pause, look back at what we have accomplished and celebrate God's work with us over these last 13 years!



### It's time to Undeck the Halls

We will gather on Thursday, January 4 at 9:00 a.m. to take down Christmas decorations and put things back in storage. Many hands make light work! Your help would be greatly appreciated. Come for as much or as little as you can. It should take no more than 2 hours to get the job done.



### Border Immersion Trip - January 18-23

Pastor Katie leads a group to Las Cruces, NM and El Paso, TX for a service learning experience facilitated by Border Servant Corps (BSC), a ministry begun by Peace Lutheran Church in Las Cruces, NM. BSC focuses on humanitarian aid and accompaniment-style immersion on the U.S./México border. Keep the Midvale group in your prayers and continue to pray for immigrants, refugees, asylum seekers and all who yearn to find a safe home

### Sunday School resumes January 7th

Children's Sunday School programming will resume January 7th from 9:15 - 10:15am. If you are new to Sunday School, you can just go the second floor and someone will assist you, or you can register on our website, midvalelutheran.org/sunday-school.

### Women's retreat: April 27-28, 2024 at Bethel Horizons, "Always Being Made New"

"So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!" -2 Corinthians 5:17



Would you relish time away in nature

to get to know yourself, others from Midvale, deepen your spirituality, and experience the love of Christ? Please consider Midvale's women's retreat at Bethel Horizons overlooking the beautiful Driftless region near Dodgeville, Saturday and Sunday, April 27-28. Sign-up will open in January. Relax, enjoy, be open to the new possibilities that await you this weekend- new or deepened relationships, renewed insights into the life of faith, time in nature and creative pursuits, nourishing food and drink, peace that comes from both being in community and time for solitude. Above all, may you experience the words of St. Paul - "always being made new". If you have questions, contact Pastor Katie at katieb@midvalelutheran.org.

The retreat cost is \$125/person for both days or \$85/person for Saturday only. The full retreat experience will include:

1 night's accommodation at either the Adamah Retreat Center or Barn Retreat Center - shared rooms, each with a private bathroom 3 meals - lunch and dinner on Saturday, Sunday brunch Nature Walk (opt)

Individual clay project at the Art Studio (opt) ...and more!

To sign up for the retreat, please email Laura Svaren at lauras@midvale-lutheran.org or call the church office at 608-238-7119. No online sign-up available.

### Gathering in Growth and Grace - 2024 financial commitments

Thank you to everyone who has made a financial commitment to our ministry in 2024. Your generosity supports all we do as a congregation!

If you have not yet made a financial commitment, there is still time to do so! All commitments are greatly appreciated! You can request giving information and financial commitment forms be sent to you by reaching out to Amanda Mueller, the church business manager, at 608-238-7119 or bookkeeper@midvalelutheran.org.

### A Brand New Year by Dylan Abraham

Christmas has gone With all its cheer, Now we are in A brand new year.

Christ was born
To save our souls,
To make us better
To make us whole.

We want to continue The love of the child, On that special night So calm and mild.

So with this new year Continue his love, He was sent from God From high above.

The gift of gifts Is for us all, That tiny baby Reigns over all.



# Lent devotional writers needed - sign-up today!

Be a part of the annual Lent daily devotional! Each year, being able to read the devotions of Midvale members and friends is mentioned as a highlight of faith and the Lenten season for so many! Please consider writing a short devotional for 2024, new writers are always welcome! Contact the church office at 608- 238-7119 or info@ midvalelutheran.org, or look for an invitation email from Marie Nordeng if you have written one in the past. Completed devotions are needed by January 14.

# SHARE





# Join other Midvale families at Family Camp this summer!

Sarah and Nick Harrison, Midvale members since 2019, invite others to join them at one of their favorite places - Crossways Family Camp! They have taken their family every summer since their children, Liam (5), Graham (3), and Maddie (11 months) were born.

Here is what Sarah and Nick find so great about Family Camp:

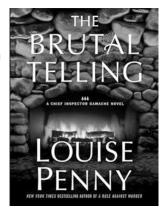
Camp offers families a beautiful and fun backdrop to explore faith together; in past years our kids have started the week feeling shy, but by the end of the week they're leading songs or grace with the counselors and have a hoard of new friends. I love the conversations that come out of Bible study or an afternoon chat on the porch; the depth of community that forms among the families throughout the course of the week is truly incredible. Thanks to the amazing counselor who becomes an additional family member for the week, camp is a far more restorative and relaxing vacation than any other we've taken with the kids (since most vacations with small children are really just 'parenting elsewhere with less support/structure'), which is another win-win.

Registration for this summer is already open and can fill up quickly. Register online at https://www.crosswayscamps.org/family There are discounts and scholarships available - cost should never be a barrier to going to camp. The Harrisons will be going to the family camp offering at Imago Dei Village, July 28-August 2. There is also a weekend option at Pine Lake (June 28-July 1), or another week-long option at Waypost (June 30-July 3). If you're interested and have any questions, Nick and Sarah would love to tell you more! Reach out to the church office and we can connect you with them.

### Midvale Readers Book Club

The Midvale Readers Book Club meets monthly for a lively book discussion. We read a variety of genres, including both fiction and non-fiction.

Join us on Tuesday, January 23, 2024 at 7pm on Zoom for a discussion of *The Brutal Telling*, by Louise Penny, which is the fifth book in the Armand Gamache series. In *The Brutal Telling*, a stranger is found murdered in the village bistro and antiques store and all clues point to bistro owner Olivier being the killer. Once again, Chief Inspector Gamache and his team are



called in to strip back layers of lies, exposing both treasures and rancid secrets long buried--but not forgotten.

Contact Chris for the Zoom information to connect to the meeting at (608) 852-6749 (voice and text) or Chrisann45@charter.net

### Thank you for your offerings

Donations to support our regular ministry and mission make a difference in the lives of many who are touched by our ministry every day. Your gifts also are an expression of your faith and an offering of thanksgiving to God. There are several ways to make a gift:

• Give now to our Regular Giving
Fund online by credit or debit card or
automatic deduction from checking or
savings account. Visit our website or use
this QR code to access our online giving
page.



- Mail a check to MCLC, 4329 Tokay Blvd. Madison, WI 53711
- Use your bank's online bill pay service to send a contribution this is usually free and you don't even pay for postage.

### Memorial Fund Purchases June 1, 2023 - November 30, 2023

We are grateful for the generosity that is shown in memorial donations given to the church. These gifts remember and give thanks for the life of someone who has died, honor someone, or may be designated for a specific ministry. They enable our congregation to do new, meaningful ministries, as well as respond in positive ways to unexpected opportunities for reaching out with the good news of Jesus. Thank you!

Lauren Gordon Wakefield House Repairs November Alan Gruendemann Hunger Fund November Vicki Doering Hayes New Candle Lighters July November Lorna May Huebner New Quilters Tables Cheryl Krull Sunday School Book Set October June Matoushek New Quilters Tables November Sharon Mitchell **New Quilters Tables** November Pastor's Goodwill Fund Moving Assistance lune Pastor's Goodwill Fund Rent Assistance September Pastor's Goodwill Fund Christmas Gift for Member November **Quilters Fund** Lutheran World Relief Donation September Jane Schultz Worship Music License lune Jane Schultz New Candle Lighters July Jane Schultz Choir Director Desk August Iane Schultz **Choral Music** November Guest Worship Musician Jane Schultz November Iane Schultz Piano Tunina November Victor Schwenn Wakefield House Repairs September Victor Schwenn Wakefield House Repairs October Victor Schwenn Wakefield House Repairs November Brenda Sischo **New Candle Lighters** July High School Scholarship Alex Thoreson June **Thrivent Choice Dollars** Learner Resources lune Poems & Practices Books **Thrivent Choice Dollars** lune Thrivent Choice Dollars Women's Retreat Book lune **Thrivent Choice Dollars** Retired Pastors Coffee supplies lune Thrivent Choice Dollars Thank You Meal for Volunteers lune **Thrivent Choice Dollars** Childrens Sermon Giveaways July **Thrivent Choice Dollars** Adult Forum Thank You Gift Card July Funeral & Wedding AV Supplies Thrivent Choice Dollars July **Thrivent Choice Dollars** Mallards Pride Event Tickets July Thrivent Choice Dollars Organist Lunch August Thrivent Choice Dollars ELCA Director of Generosity Thank You Meal August Thrivent Choice Dollars Childrens Sermon Giveaways August Border Servant Corps Books Thrivent Choice Dollars September **Thrivent Choice Dollars** Border Servant Corps Books October Thrivent Choice Dollars Stewardship Lunch October Thrivent Choice Dollars Holy Land Trip Resources October Thrivent Choice Dollars Childrens Sermon Giveaways October Thrivent Choice Dollars WELCA Conference Registration Fee November Thrivent Choice Dollars All Saints Votive Candles November Thrivent Choice Dollars Bible Study Lunch November Florence Wetzel Ministry Wing Project June

### Save the date -Annual Meeting of the Congregation February 11, 2024

The Annual Meeting will be held in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the 10:30am worship, at approximately 11:45am.

### **January Baptism 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	† Billy Dean	1/10	† Henry Berard
1/1	† Sally Dean	1/10	† April Stern
1/1	† Isabelle Eichenseher	1/11	† Charlotte Biancat
1/1	† Jane Hamm	1/11	† Mateo Biancat
1/1	† Mattie Olson	1/20	† Samuel Kruse
1/2	† Elsa Block	1/21	† Hugh Uphoff

### In our prayers remember:

**†** Hospitality as we welcome friends, visitors and guests.

† Health, comfort and healing for: Bill Weiss (father of Becki Fiegel), Richard LaBrie, Jeff Leeder (brother of Randi Leeder), Tonya Pankov (friend of Karen Bogenschneider), Diane Baima and Yurii Potapenko, Greg Lampe, Julie Underwood (daughter of Linda Crane), Adrian Gutierrez (grandson of Bob & Carol Ostergren), Lois Ludwig (friend of Neal Hamlett), Toni Combs (friend of Neal Hamlett), Samantha Kealey (cousin of Elise Uphoff), Richard and Adelle Johnson, Acadia Bradley (friend of Enid and Frank Erdman), Sylvia Lee-Thompson (cousin of Charles Naeseth), Quentin Engelhart (son-in-law of Rebecca Hagness), Bruce Droessler (uncle of Jennifer Austin), Mary Ann Schulte (sister of Colette Corwin), Harry Hinze, Walter Sopala (father of Marie Nordeng), and Mrs. Robert Lecheclt (sister-in-law of Julie Lechelt).

† For the safety and well-being of all who serve our community and nation as first responders, healthcare workers and military personnel, giving thanks for their dedication and courage.



Thank you for the gifts given in memory of these saints of God that support our ministry.

Helen Gentilli Barb Gentilli

**Alan Gruendemann** Cordell Lageschulte

**Lois Kammer** Dennis and Gail Maki Jerry and Ruth Apps

**Edy Paskey** Phil Simon and Sandy Larson Jon and Mary Lynn Langsdorf

Connie Perkins Merwyn and Joyce Larson Phil Simon and Sandy Larson

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#### **Congregational Council**

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Youth and Family Ministry, Paul Block

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If you have a prayer request, please call Mary Lou Leslie, 849-6450.

### THIS MONTH AT MIDVALE - JANUARY 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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SUNDAY, JANUARY 28, 2024





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Your family, children, friends, and partner are welcome here.

Your abilities, culture, socioeconomic circumstances, race, and religious background are welcome here.

Here you will find an affirming community committed to racial equity and welcoming of all.

> We strive for all people to experience God's abundance.

> > In Christ, you are loved.

Welcome!