

Day of Pentecost

Saturday, May 18, 2024, 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, May 19, 2024, 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.



MIDVALE **COMMUNITY** LUTHERAN CHURCH

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.

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Welcome to all - We're glad you're here!

Connect with Midvale! Cards are available in the seatback holders. If you are new to our worship, have a prayer request, an address change, would like a pastor to call, or would like to get involved in any of our ministries, please complete the card and place it in the offering plate or give it to a pastor or usher.

Holy Communion is celebrated during each worship service. Jesus, who is present in this meal, welcomes ALL; there is a place for YOU at our Lord's table! In this meal, we receive the grace and love of God, and we are connected with one another in God's mission. More information about how to receive communion is printed in the order of worship following the Lord's Prayer.

Worshipping with children - All children are welcome in worship! To support families in worship, there are children's worship bags inside the entrances to the Sanctuary with quiet activities. Children's bulletins for both pre-readers and readers are available on the tables as you enter the Sanctuary. There is a Cry Room along the right-hand side of the Sanctuary and an unstaffed nursery with an audio connection to worship down the main hallway past the restrooms. Some families find sitting towards the front so children have a good view of worship works well.

Large Print bulletins are available.

T-Coil Hearing Loop is installed inside our worship center. This allows people who wear hearing aids to directly receive the sound from the sound system without having to use a separate device. For those without T-coil equipped hearing aids, Loop Listener headphones are available from the ushers.



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!



*Midvale is a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
and a Reconciling in Christ (RIC) congregation.*



GATHERING *The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

Prelude

(8:00 & 10:30)

*Lord, We Come Before Thee Now
Wonderful King, All Glorious*

Thomas Canning
Hans Metzger

Welcome and Announcements



**Sacrament of Baptism for
Callan William Nalu Johnson & Logan Ellen Kai Johnson (10:30)**

Pastor: Let us confess our faith.

Do you believe in God the Father?

Assembly: **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Pastor: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

Assembly: **I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Pastor: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

Assembly: **I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Assembly: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Assembly: **And also with you.**

Baptism of Callan William Nalu & Logan Ellen Kai

Pastor: Let us welcome the newly baptized into the Christian family.

Assembly: **We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**

The assembly stands.

Call to Worship (5:00 & 8:00)

Come, believers and faithful ones, sing your alleluias to God!

Praise God, who invades us with the rush of a mighty wind and fills us with fire.

Praise God, who out of love for us sent Jesus Christ to live among us.

Praise God, whose spirit is poured out upon all peoples.

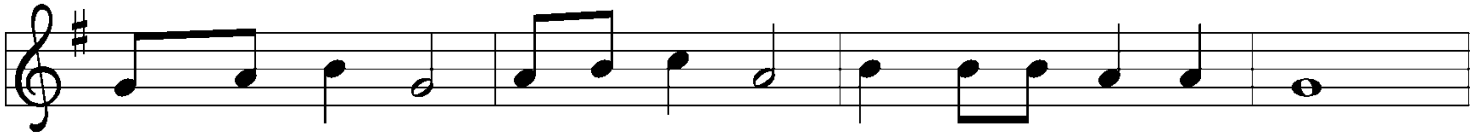
God reaches into our lives and claims us, calling us honored and loved.

We are God's people: We are redeemed; for God has called us by name.

Come, Holy Spirit, and find us in our wilderness. Lead us forth into the wonders of your love.

Gathering Song #401, verses 1, 2 & 3

Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading



Njo - o kwe - tu, Ro - ho mwe - ma, M - fa - ri - ji we - tu.

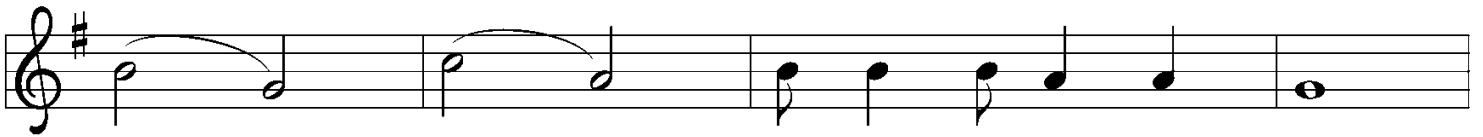
- 1 Gra - cious Spir - it, heed our plead - ing, fash - ion us all a - new.
- 2 Come to teach us, come to nour - ish those who be - lieve in Christ.
- 3 Guide our think - ing and our speak - ing done in your ho - ly name.



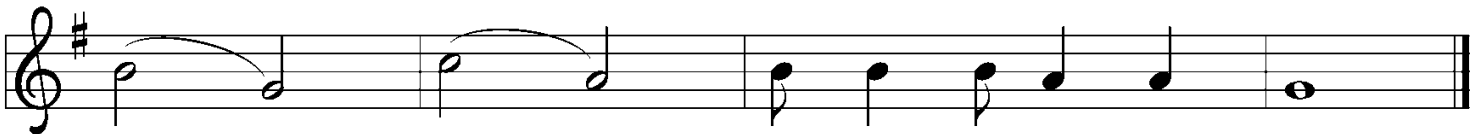
Tu - fu - ndi - she ya mbi - ngu - ni, tu - we wa - tu wa - pya.

It's your lead - ing that we're need - ing, help us to fol - low you.
Bless the faith - ful, may they flour - ish, strength - ened by grace un - priced.
Mo - ti - vate all in their seek - ing, free - ing from guilt and shame.

Refrain



Njo - o, njo - o, njo - o, Ro - ho mwe - ma.
Come, come, come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come.



Njo - o, njo - o, njo - o, Ro - ho mwe - ma.
Come, come, come, Ho - ly Spir - it, come.

Text: Wilson Niwagila; tr. Howard S. Olson, b. 1922

Music: NJOOKWETU, ROHO MWEMA, Wilson Niwagila

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Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Mighty God, you breathe life into our bones, and your Spirit brings truth to the world. Send us this Spirit, transform us by your truth, and give us language to proclaim your gospel, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

The assembly is seated.



WORD *God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching and song.*

Children's Message (8:00 & 10:30)

Reading: Acts 2:1-21

Originally Pentecost was a Jewish thanksgiving festival celebrated seven weeks after Passover. On this particular Pentecost, however, the Holy Spirit is poured out upon the entire community of believers just as Jesus had promised and the scriptures had prophesied. Empowered by the Spirit, the entire community bears witness to God's activity in multiple languages.

¹When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. ⁷Amazed and

astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jewish-born and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹²All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "You Judeans and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

¹⁷In the last days it will be, God declares,
that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
and your youth shall see visions,
and your elders shall dream dreams.

¹⁸Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
in those days I will pour out my Spirit;
and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹And I will show portents in the heaven above
and signs on the earth below,
blood, and fire, and smoky mist.

²⁰The sun shall be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood,
before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

²¹Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' "

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

The assembly stands to welcome the Gospel.

Gospel Acclamation



Al - le-lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.



Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 15th and 16th chapters.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

While speaking to his disciples before his death, Jesus refers to the Holy Spirit as "the Helper" and describes the difference the Spirit will make in their lives and in the world.

[Jesus said,] ²⁶"When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, the Advocate will testify on my behalf. ²⁷You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.

^{16:4b}"I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. ⁵But now I am going to the one who sent me; yet none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' ⁶But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. ⁷Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send the Advocate to you. ⁸And having come, the Advocate will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: ⁹about sin, because they

do not believe in me; ¹⁰about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; ¹¹about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

¹²"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³When the Spirit of truth comes, you will be guided into all the truth; for the Spirit will not speak out of the Spirit's own authority, but will speak whatever the Spirit hears, and will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴The Spirit will glorify me, taking what is mine and declaring it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that the Spirit will take what is mine and declare it to you."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated.

Sermon

The assembly stands to proclaim the word of God in song.

Hymn of the Day # 786

O Holy Spirit, Enter In



1 O Ho - ly Spir - it, en - ter in, and in our hearts your
2 Left to our - selves, we sure - ly stray; oh, lead us on the
3 O might - y Rock, O Source of life, let your good Word in



work be - gin, and make our hearts your dwell - ing. Sun of the soul,
nar - row way, with wis - est coun - sel guide us; and give us stead -
doubt and strife be in us strong - ly burn - ing, that we be faith -



O Light di - vine, a - round and in us bright - ly shine, your strength
fast - ness, that we may fol - low you for - ev - er free, no mat -
ful un - to death and live in love and ho - ly faith, from you



in us up - well - ing. In your ra - diance life from heav - en now is
ter who de - rides us. Gent - ly heal those hearts now bro - ken; give some
true wis - dom learn - ing. Lord, your mer - cy on us show - er; by your



giv - en o - ver - flow - ing, gift of gifts be - yond all know - ing.
to - ken you are near us, whom we trust to light and cheer us.
pow - er Christ con - fess - ing, we will cher - ish all your bless - ing.

Text: Michael Schirmer, 1606–1673; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, adapt.
Music: WIE SCHÖN LEUCHTET, Philipp Nicolai, 1556–1608

Nicene Creed (5:00 & 8:00)

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

For us and for our salvation

**he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven**

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

Initially and after each petition the congregation responds.

God of grace,

Hear our prayer.

Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord.

Amen.

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

As we share the peace of Christ, we extend the reconciliation we have received from Christ to one another. Respecting the comfort and health of all in our community, please use a verbal greeting, a raising of the hand, a handshake, or hug, based on the consent of each person.

The assembly is seated.

Offering

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need. Offering baskets are located at the entrances to the Sanctuary and envelopes are available in the seatback holders. In addition to the offerings collected today, we recognize the offerings given by mail and electronically. All donations are a sign of giving our whole selves in grateful response for God's gifts.

For those that would like to donate online, here is the QR code to the giving page of our website:



Offering Prayer

Risen One,

You call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love. Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. Amen.



MEAL God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Instrumental music is played as the table is set. (5:00)

Special Music

(8:00) *Come Holy Spirit, Blow Across the Waters*

May Schwarz
Adult Choir
Michael Keller, organ

(10:30) *Promised Land Calypso*

Joel Raney
Handbell Choir

The assembly stands.

Great Thanksgiving

Dialogue

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Words of Institution

With this bread and cup
we remember our Lord's passover from death to life
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

O God of resurrection and new life:

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us.

Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world.

Breathe new life into us.

Send us forth,

burning with justice, peace, and love.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Invitation to Communion

The risen Christ is made known to us in the breaking of the bread. Come and eat at God's table.

The assembly is seated.

Holy Communion is offered with bread or gluten free cracker, and wine or juice. To receive the sacrament, please approach the altar as directed by the ushers.

- To receive the bread, hold your hands open and the server will break off a piece of bread and place it in your hands.*
- To receive a gluten free cracker, approach the altar with your hands at your side. Say to the server that you would like a gluten free cracker. The server will hold out the tray of crackers and invite you to take one from the tray.*
- To receive wine or juice, move to the next server and take a cup from the communion tray; there is red wine and light-colored juice available in each tray. Place your empty cup in the basket.*

Children not yet receiving communion are invited forward to receive a blessing. Children can indicate their wish for a blessing by keeping their hands down at their sides. The server will make a sign of the cross and bless them in Jesus' name.

If it is difficult for you to come forward, or, if for any reason you prefer communion brought to you at your seat, please let an usher know. The pastor will bring communion to you after those coming forward have received communion.

Communion Hymn



Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Communion Hymn #396

Spirit of Gentleness

Refrain



Spir - it, Spir - it of gen - tle - ness, blow through the wil - der - ness



call - ing and free; Spir - it, Spir - it of rest - less - ness,



stir me from plac - id - ness, wind, wind on the sea.



- 1 You moved on the wa - ters, you called to the deep,
- 2 You swept through the des - ert, you stung with the sand,
- 3 You sang in a sta - ble, you cried from a hill,
- 4 You call from to - mor - row, you break an - cient schemes.



then you coaxed up the moun - tains from the val - leys of sleep;
and you goad - ed your peo - ple with a law and a land;
then you whis - pered in si - lence when the whole world was still;
From the bond - age of sor - row all the cap - tives dream dreams;



and o - ver the e - ons you called to each thing;
and when they were blind - ed with i - dols and lies,
and down in the cit - y you called once a - gain,
our wom - en see vi - sions, our men clear their eyes.



Refrain

“A - wake from your slum - bers and rise on your wings.”
then you spoke through your proph - ets to o - pen their eyes.
when you blew through your peo - ple on the rush of the wind.
With . . . bold new de - ci - sions your peo - ple a - rise.

Text: James K. Manley, b. 1940
Music: SPIRIT, James K. Manley
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Communion Hymn #582

Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling



1 Ho-ly Spir-it, ev - er dwell-ing in the ho - liest realms of light;
2 Ho-ly Spir-it, ev - er liv - ing as the church's ver - y life;
3 Ho-ly Spir-it, ev - er work-ing through the church's min - is - try;



Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er brood-ing o'er a world of gloom and night;
Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er striv - ing through us in a cease - less strife;
quick-'ning, strength-'ning, and ab - solv - ing, set - ting cap - tive sin - ners free;



Ho-ly Spir-it, ev - er rais - ing those of earth to thrones on high;
Ho-ly Spir-it, ev - er form-ing in the church the mind of Christ:
Ho-ly Spir-it, ev - er bind-ing age to age and soul to soul



liv - ing, life - im - part - ing Spir - it, you we praise and mag - ni - fy.
you we praise with end - less wor - ship for your gifts and fruits un - priced.
in com - mu - nion nev - er end - ing, you we wor - ship and ex - tol.

Text: Timothy Rees, 1874–1939, alt.

Music: IN BABILONE, *Oude en Nieuwe Hollandse Boerenlities en Contradansen*, 1710

The assembly stands.

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen, keep and unite us in God's grace.

Amen.

Prayer After Communion

Shepherding God,

**You have prepared a table before us
and nourished us with your love.**

**Send us forth from this banquet
to proclaim your goodness
and share the abundant mercy of Jesus,
our redeemer and friend.**

Amen.



SENDING *God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.*

Blessing

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

The God of resurrection power,
the Christ of unending joy,
and the Spirit of Easter hope
✠ bless you now and always.

Amen.

Sending Song #400

God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind



1 God of tem - pest, God of whirl - wind, as on Pen - te -
2 God of blaz - ing, God of burn - ing, all that blocks your
3 God of earth - quake, God of thun - der, shake us loose from
4 God of pas - sion, God un - sleep - ing, stir in us love's



cost de - scend! Drive us out from shel - tered com - fort;
pur - pose, purge! Through your church, Christ's liv - ing Bod - y,
leth - ar - gy! Break the chains of sin a - sun - der,
rest - less - ness! Where the peo - ple cry in an - guish,



past these walls your peo - ple send! Sweep us in - to cost - ly ser - vice,
let your flam - ing Spir - it surge! Where de - ceit con - ceals in - jus - tice,
for earth's heal - ing set us free! Crum - ble walls that still di - vide us;
may we share your heart's dis - tress. Rouse us from con - tent with e - vil;



there with Christ to bear the cross, there with Christ to bear the cross!
kin - dle us to speak your truth, kin - dle us to speak your truth!
make us one in Christ our Lord, make us one in Christ our Lord!
claim us for your king - dom's work, claim us for your king - dom's work!

Text: Herman G. Stuempfle Jr., 1923–2007

Music: CWM RHONDDA, John Hughes, 1873–1932

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Dismissal

Alleluia! Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

(8:00 & 10:30)

Festive Fanfare

Phil Lehenbauer

Baptized at the 10:30 a.m. worship service are Callan William Nalu Johnson and Logan Ellen Kai Johnson, children of Jacob and Shannon Johnson.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

New summer worship times begin NEXT weekend!

Summer worship schedule begins Memorial Day weekend - May 25-26

- Saturday at 5:00pm
- Sunday at 8:00am (also on Facebook Live)
- Sunday at 10:00am - NOTE change in time

Day of Pentecost. This weekend in worship we celebrate the promised gift of the Holy Spirit given to the church and to us! The worship space is enhanced with red fabric, banners and geranium flowers to recognize the color assigned to this festival day in the church. Red is the color of the Holy Spirit, remembering the wind and flames that appeared on that first Pentecost described in Acts 2.

Red Geraniums. Following the Sunday 10:30am worship service this weekend, the geraniums will be available for purchase: \$30 large plant and \$15 small plant. Please select your geranium(s) and place your payment in the basket in the Gathering Space. If paying by check, make payable to the church with "geraniums" in the memo line.

Worship hike at Picnic Point, May 19. Gather from 10:30-10:45am at the Picnic Point entry. You can park in UW Lot 130, next to the entrance. All are welcome for this short hike and worship with prayers and Holy Communion. Regular worship will be offered in the Sanctuary at 10:30am as well.

Build to Serve: Grow in Love - Statement of Intent invited to be returned. Thank you to everyone who has been a part of our Build to Serve: Grow in Love campaign. If you haven't yet returned your intent, please do so in the next week. Let's continue to celebrate what we can accomplish as we all join together for God's work! Thank you!

Prospective & new member information session, May 19 at 11:45am in Fellowship Hall. If you are interested in becoming a member of Midvale Community Lutheran Church or would like more information about our ministry, please contact one of the pastors or the church office. Information is also available on our website. We would love to have you join us in our mission to share the good news of God's love in Jesus Christ and make a difference in the lives of those in our community and all the world.

Adult Education Sunday at 9:15am. Adult Forum will be offered simultaneously both in person in Fellowship Hall and by Zoom. You do not need to register to participate. Reference our weekly newsletter, *The Moments*, for the Zoom link. The same link will be used for all sessions.



- **May 19** – Understanding Juneteenth: How Our Newest National Holiday Helps Meet An Old Testament "Requirement" with Midvale Members Debbie Fischer, Gary Hein and Eric James
- **May 26** - Memorial Day Weekend – No Forum

Adult Forum will take a break until September.

End of Sunday School year celebration, May 19. Join us at Westmorland Park at 9:15am on Sunday, May 19th to celebrate the end of our Sunday school year. ALL are invited to celebrate by having informal play & fellowship time as well as a cupcake decorating station. We invite parents, grandparents, older & younger siblings, leaders & all who want to have fun (even if you didn't attend Sunday school with us). We will go to the park even if it's a bit cool so dress according to the weather. In the event of inclement weather, we will have our party at church on the 2nd floor. Please contact Marita Herkert-Oakland if you have questions: childrensministry@midvalelutheran.org.

Save the date: Vacation Bible School, August 12-15!

Church office closed, May 27. The church office will be on Memorial Day.

Food and Fellowship Groups begin in June - sign up today! Get to know others in our church community while sharing a meal together at local restaurants. Groups of 6-8 people will be created. Each group will organize themselves and meet once a month for a meal out (no cooking or hosting required!). After 3 months, a new session will start. Those who sign up will be shuffled into different groups so you will meet new people in each session. A new sign-up is required for each subsequent 3-month session. Anyone is welcome, young or old, single or couple! To sign up for the summer session of June, July, and August, see the link in our weekly newsletter or call the office. Contact Laura Svaren lauras@midvalelutheran.org with any questions.

Filling the summer months with music. You're invited to share a song for special music over the summer months, whether you like to sing or play an instrument. You can share your musical offering on whichever date and worship time works best for you. Laura Svaren or Kathy Otterson can help you find an accompanist, people to form a small group, or to choose a piece of music. It need not be elaborate. It can be as simple as sharing a favorite hymn. Whatever you have to offer will enrich our worship experience and open our hearts to God. Please reach out to Laura Svaren (lauras@midvalelutheran.org) if you think you might be interested. Details can be worked out later.

Midvale at the Mallards outing - Friday, June 28, 6:35pm game time. Midvale's Pride Team invites you to join other Midvalers for an evening at the Warner Park ballpark on Friday, June 28, "Pride Night at the Mallards!" Everyone is invited! Midvale has a block of seats. Tickets are \$16/each and must be pre-paid. To sign up for tickets, click on the link found in the Moments. You can also sign-up by contacting Laura Svaren at lauras@midvalelutheran.org or calling the church office. You can prepay online or by dropping off cash or a check in the church office. Last year's Mallards event saw a group of 33 from Midvale. We're hoping to have an even larger group this year! Come join other Midvalers for a fun evening together at the Duck Pond! **Last day to sign up is Sunday, June 16.**

New class on Black History this Fall. A new learning opportunity will be offered at Midvale this fall: "Black History for A New Day." This is a 9-week class developed by the Black-led Nehemiah Center in Madison and its President and Founder, the Rev. Dr. Alex Gee. The course includes 9 lectures by UW-Madison faculty and Nehemiah staff, contemporary reflections by Pastor Gee, and small group discussions focusing on the healing and transformation of racial injustice in our neighborhoods, the city of Madison, and the state of Wisconsin. The format is a 2-hour meeting once a week (1-hour of a recorded lecture, 1 hour for small group discussion). Because of a generous grant from the Midvale Endowment Committee, a small group class is being offered at Midvale this fall for free! The number of participants this fall is limited to foster deeper small group reflection, sharing and connection. Interested? Contact the church office at info@midvalelutheran.org or 608-238-7119 to reserve your spot or learn more.

Adult Bible School, begins June 12. The Adult Education Committee invites you to attend the summer Adult Bible School! Sessions are held on Wednesdays at 10am in the Fellowship Hall at Midvale. The four sessions begin on June 12. Three sessions will be workshops led by Pastor Ken to help us reflect on how we live together in faith (be and do church) in our current culture by reviewing what we know about early Christianity. The workshops work together, but do not build one upon the other so that a person can come to one, two, or three of the workshops. Each workshop begins with table discussions of a theme common to our current situation and life in the early Christian church, followed by a short presentation on early Christianity, and more discussion of a question of the day, posed by the witness of early Christians.

Session Schedules:

- **June 12, Wednesday, 10am**
Workshop One: Diversity of Models and Approaches to Being Church with Pastor Ken. *Please register by Sunday, June 9.*
- **June 19, Wednesday, 10am**
Non-Violent Approaches to Atonement with Denny Weaver
Please register by Sunday, June 16.
- **July 3, Wednesday, 10am**
Workshop Two: Mergers with Outcomes with Pastor Ken
Please register by Sunday, June 30.
- **July 31, Wednesday, 10am**
Workshop Three: The Challenges of Relating to Our Culture with Pastor Ken
Please register by Sunday, July 28.

You can find the full descriptions of the sessions and register to attend using the brochure in the Gathering Space or on our website, midvalelutheran.org, under the "Grow" tab.

Attend some or all of the sessions. Pre-registration is very helpful. Join us for some thoughtful and inspiring mornings this summer.

THANK YOU TO THOSE SERVING TODAY

5:00	Preaching/Presiding	Pastor Katie Baardseth
	Accompanist	Marita Herkert-Oakland
	Lector	Eric James
	Communion Assistant	Colette Corwin
	Ushers	Jim Christenson, Alan White, Mark Swandby, Cheryl Krull, Mark Zager, Todd Peterson
8:00	Preaching	Pastor Katie Baardseth
	Presiding	Pastor Blake Rohrer
	Accompanist	Michael Keller
	Lector	Kay Bloedorn
	Communion Assistants	Gary Grummer, Enid Erdman
	Ushers	Ron Fischer, Paul Minko, Trevor Sellers, Nelse Grundvig, Wayne Lembke, Alan Thompson
	AV Technician	Jay Wians
	Livestream Moderator	Toni Swandby
10:30	Preaching/ Presiding	Pastor Katie Baardseth
	Greeter	Jan Haedt
	Accompanist	Michael Keller
	Lector	Julie Walsh
	Communion Assistants	Bread: Julie Walsh Wine: Cheryl Krull, Gayle Perlberg
	Ushers	Brian Thill, Jay Wians, Mark Zager, Kyle Tasch
	Director of Music Ministry	Laura Svaren
	Adult Choir Director	Kathy Otterson
	Handbell Choir Director	Eleanor Mertenich
	Chancel Guild	Cheryl Krull, Gayle Perlberg, Teri Wians, Dawn Boh
	Sunday Hospitality	Liz Mael and Todd Peterson

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