

MAGNOLIA LUTHERAN CHURCH
FEBRUARY 20, 2022



THEY HAD COME TO HEAR HIM AND TO BE
HEALED OF THEIR DISEASES...

—Luke 6:18

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Epiphany 7

February 20, 2022

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Simple Gifts

Russell Schulz-Widmar

GATHERING HYMN

Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us

#707 ELW



1 Lord of glo - ry, you have bought us with your life - blood
2 Grant us hearts, dear Lord, to give you glad - ly, free - ly,
3 Won - drous hon - or you have giv - en to our hum - blest
4 Lord of glo - ry, you have bought us with your life - blood



as the price, nev - er grudg - ing for the lost ones that tre -
of your own. With the sun - shine of your good - ness melt our
char - i - ty in your own mys - te - rious sen - tence, "You have
as the price, nev - er grudg - ing for the lost ones that tre -



men - dous sac - ri - fice; and with that have free - ly giv - en
thank - less hearts of stone till our cold and self - ish na - tures,
done it all to me." Na - ked, sick, in pris - on, hun - gry—
men - dous sac - ri - fice. Give us faith to trust you bold - ly,



bles - sings count - less as the sand to the un - thank - ful
warmed by you, at length be - lieve that mere hap - py
in the least, your face we view, say - ing by your
hope, to stay our souls on you: but, oh, best of



and the e - vil with your own un - spar - ing hand.
and more bless - ed 'tis to give than to re - ceive.
poor and need - y, "Give as I have giv'n to you."
all your grac - es, with your love our love re - new.

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.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

This is the Feast

Setting One

Refrain



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



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



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Sing . . with all the peo - ple of God, and



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:



Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and strength, and
Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and might be to



hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*



3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Refrain*

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Lord Jesus, make us instruments of your peace, that where there is hatred, we may sow love, where there is injury, pardon, and where there is despair, hope. Grant, O divine master, that we may seek to console, to understand, and to love in your name, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

FIRST READING: Genesis 45:3-11, 15

³Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

⁴Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. ⁵And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. ⁶For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. ⁷God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. ⁸So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. ⁹Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. ¹⁰You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. ¹¹I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.' " ¹⁵And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

Holy Words. Holy Wisdom. **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50

³⁵But someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?"

³⁶Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. ³⁷And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. ³⁸But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body.

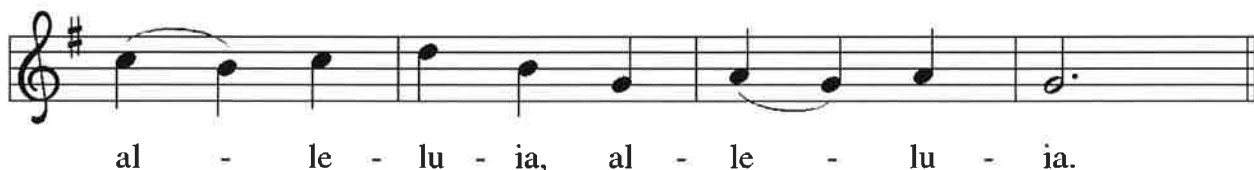
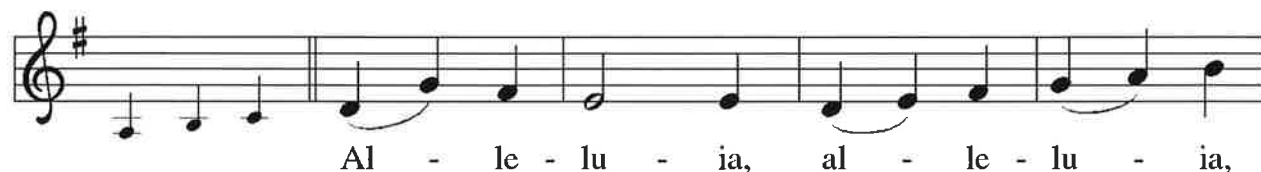
⁴²So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. ⁴³It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. ⁴⁴It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. ⁴⁵Thus it is written, "The first man, Adam, became a living being"; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. ⁴⁶But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the

physical, and then the spiritual. ⁴⁷The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. ⁴⁸As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. ⁴⁹Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven.

⁵⁰What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

Holy Words. Holy Wisdom. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Repeat alleluia



GOSPEL: Luke 6:27-38

Before the reading: **Glory to you, O Lord!**

[Jesus said:] ²⁷“But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. ²⁹If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. ³⁰Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. ³¹Do to others as you would have them do to you.

³²“If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. ³³If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. ³⁴If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. ³⁵But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. ³⁶Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

³⁷“Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; ³⁸give, and it will be given to you. A good

measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back.”

After the reading: Praise to you, O Christ.

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

SERMON

HYMN

We Are Called

#720 ELW



1 Come! Live in the light! Shine with the joy and the love of the
2 Come! O - pen your heart! Show your . . mer - cy to all those in
3 Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that great day when all will be



Lord! We are called to be light for the king - dom, to
fear! We are called to be hope for the hope - less so
one! God will reign, and we'll walk with each oth - er as



live in the free - dom of the cit - y of God.
ha - tred and blind - ness . . . will be . . . no more.
sis - ters and broth - ers . . . u - nit - ed in love.



Refrain
We are called to act with jus - tice, we are called to



love ten - der - ly; we are called to serve one an -



oth - er, to walk hum - bly with God.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING

There will be no passing of the plate. Please place your offering in the plate at the back of the sanctuary.

CELEBRATING HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

...as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

...on the night he was betrayed...

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.**

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

The Distribution

All are invited to the Table. Come as you wish. The ushers will guide you by row.

The pastor distributes the bread. Others will distribute wine and grape juice. Simply take a pre-poured glass and return it to the empty tray.

We use White Grape Juice. This juice is lighter in color and located in the center of the tray.

The people are welcome and invited to sing during communion.

Singing during Communion

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -
way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

WE ARE SENT OUT TO LOVE

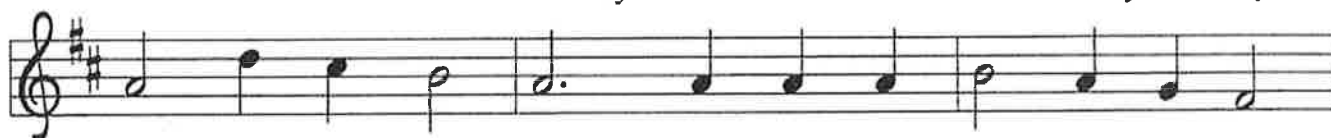
SENDING BLESSING

Lord of All Nations, Grant Me Grace

#716 ELW



1 Lord of all na - tions, grant me grace to love all
2 Break down the wall that would di - vide thy chil - dren,
3 For - give me, Lord, where I have erred by love - less
4 Give me thy cour - age, Lord, to speak when - ev - er
5 With thine own love may I be filled and by thy



peo - ple, ev - 'ry race; and in each per - son may I
Lord, on ev - 'ry side. My neigh - bor's good let me pur -
act and thought - less word. Make me to see the wrong I
strong op - press the weak. Should I my - self the vic - tim
Ho - ly Spir - it willed, that all I touch, wher - e'er I



see my kin - dred, loved, re - deemed by thee.
sue; let Chris - tian love bind warm and true.
do will cru - ci - fy my Lord a - new.
be, help me for - give, re - mem - b'ring thee.
be, may be di - vine - ly touched by thee.

SENDING HYMN

God, When Human Bonds Are Broken

#603 ELW



1 God, when hu - man bonds are bro - ken and we lack the
2 Through that still - ness, with your Spir - it come in - to our
3 You in us are bruised and bro - ken: hear us as we
4 Send us, God of new be - gin - nings, hum - bly hope - ful
5 Give us faith to be more faith - ful, give us hope to



love or skill to re - store the hope of heal - ing,
world of stress, for the sake of Christ for - giv - ing
seek re - lease from the pain of ear - lier liv - ing;
in - to life. Use us as a means of bless - ing:
be more true, give us love to go on learn - ing:



give us grace and make us still.
all the fail - ures we con - fess.
set us free and grant us peace.
make us stron - ger, give us faith.
God, en - cour - age and re - new!

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Be wise. Be Kind. Let Love Abound.

Thanks Be to God!

POSTLUDE

Let There Be Peace on Earth

Sy Miller

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SERVANT'S SCHEDULE

Assisting Minister

Feb 27 — Kimberly Milham
 March 6 — Serena Severance

Lector

Feb 27 — Jeanne Moussette
 March 6 — Serena Severance

Altar Preparation

Feb 27 — Ronnie Beckerleg and
 Kay Kurtzweg
 March 6 — Serena Severance &
 Tom McIntosh

Counters

Feb 27 — John Valiton
 March 6 — Ralph Hendrickson

Coffee Hour Hosts

**No In Person Coffee Hour
 Until Further Notice**

Ushers

Feb 27 — Amy & Thor Sigmar
 March 6 — Cliff Kurtzweg & Mike Olden

NEW!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!!

Over 460 lbs of food was given on Souper Bowl Sunday. Every item received was given to the Ballard Food Bank. Thank you to Natalie Kelly, Sarah Watson, Colette Bergeron and Ava Christianson for hauling and counting all of the donations!!



This Week at MLC

Sunday, February 20

8:15am Worship Service
 10am Worship Service

Tuesday, February 22

9am **NO** Bible Study, Zoom
 10:30am **NO** Bible Study, in person

Wednesday, February 23

7pm **NO** Singing with Ann

Friday, February 25

8pm AA Speakers Meeting

Sunday, February 27

8:15am Worship Service
 10am Worship Service

NEW!

FROM ASHES TO ALLELUIA! OUR LENTEN JOURNEY 2022

Ash Wednesday is March 2. Drop in at the church for a brief Service of Imposition of Ashes at 6am, 9am, 12noon, 3pm or 6pm.

Learning Their Story: Our Native American Neighbors in the PNW. Online classes happen on Wednesday evenings beginning March 9. Also, field trips to area sites are being planned

A Lenten Devotional Book—for you. Stop by the church office and pick up your copy of *Grace Unbounded*, a devotional book to accompany you on your journey to Easter.

LOOK!



WOMEN OF THE ELCA VIRTUAL HAPPY HOUR

Cozy up to your laptop or iPad and join our Zoom meeting with your favorite beverage. Just a time for a casual chat and check in. The first meeting back was such a success, the group has decided on every two weeks! The first and third Tuesday of the month at 7pm. **Next meeting is Tuesday, March 1st!**



Navajo Lutheran Mission

If you've been in church recently, you probably received a handout pertaining to a trip that MLC is planning to the Navajo Lutheran Mission in Rock Point, Arizona next Summer. If you have not received one yet, please see Parish Administrator, Nancy, and she will make sure you get a copy! The trip is open to everyone and will be a great opportunity to see how your donations are being used. The goal is to make sure everyone who wishes to go, can, regardless of financial situations that might otherwise keep you from going. Stay tuned for more information!

SPONSORS FOR ALTAR FLOWERS NEEDED

Please consider sponsoring the flowers that you see on the altar each week. It's a great way to celebrate an anniversary or birthday, or to honor/remember a loved one. Or they can just be to the Glory of God. The flowers are \$75. Your name and whatever occasion they are for will be mentioned in that Sunday's bulletin. The sign up sheet for altar flowers is outside the office door.



NEED A GOOD BOOK TO READ?

Over the summer months we have received many quality reads for our Free Library. Please peruse the offering and feel free to take any book for your pleasure. We also ask that you donate used books when you have gleaned from them insights into your life. There is no cost... just an opportunity to read excellent books. You are encouraged to return them after you have finished reading.

SINGING WITH ANN HAS RETURNED!

If you miss singing, check out: "Singing With Ann". It happens on Zoom so you can see the others who are participating; however, you can't hear them and they can't hear you! A link will be sent out with the music.

MOST WEDNESDAYS AT 7PM!

NEW!

FORTY DAYS OF GIVING—COMPASS HOUSING ALLIANCE

NEW!

Forty Days of Giving! An invitation for you to collect and give away 40 items for neighbors in need. Donations given to Compass Housing Alliance. Seeking bundles of ... 40 pairs of socks... 40 pads of note paper... 40 pairs of underwear... 40 packages of crayons... 40 phone cards... 40 pairs of shoes...

As always, Compass Housing Alliance is in need of hygiene items for homeless adults. Shampoo, conditioner, toothbrushes, toothpaste (small), deodorant (small), soap, bags (zipper); baby shampoo, diapers/pull-ups, wipes, diaper cream, bottles, sippy cups, pacifiers, etc. Thank you in advance for your generosity!



WestSide Baby
basics for children in need

**COMPASS
HOUSING
ALLIANCE**

JOIN US FOR
BIBLE STUDY

In Person Tuesdays at 10:30am
 Zoom Wednesdays at 9am

**Please Remember
 In Prayer**

- Linda Kellenberger
- Dave Larson
- Don Goertzen
- Family of Bob McIntosh
- Pauline McIntosh
- Family of J.J. Rentel
- Family of William Olden
- Family of Barbara Munro
- Samantha Scheiber
- Gudrun Brown (friend of Alice Pease)
- Liza & Bill Biscomb (parents of Victoria Watson)
- Joi and Todd Arnston (stepdaughter and son in law to Carol Hurlburt)
- Kathi Galletly (friend of the Torellis)
- Jonathan Drugge (son of friends of Kay Thoreson)
- Family of David Hoffman (friend of PK's friend)
- Family of Elsie Simon
- Karen Jones (friend of Lance Grimsby)
- Yuri Sunbury
- Washington Correction Center for Women



Making Music At MLC

Do you like to sing? Join the Choir! The start date for choir is up in the air right now, however, if you are interested in joining speak with our awesome Music Director, Ann Simonson, or email her at ajsimo@comcast.net. Singing is fun and good for you!

Can't sing but want to be a part of the music scene at MLC? Then the Bell Choir might be for you! No need to read music! If you're interested in joining please talk to, or email Ann Simonson. **Bell choir practice is over until further notice.**



QUILTERS AND HAND WORK GROUPS

The handwork group began meeting again in December at Valinda Morse's house. **The next meeting will be one day in March, place and date TBD.**

Thank you for all of the donations for the quilting group but right now they are not accepting any more donations.

Needlepoint

Crochet



Knit



Last Week's Attendance

8:15 am — 15
 10:00 am — 34

MAGNOLIA LUTHERAN CHURCH

Share your God-given gifts by giving generously

Options for sharing God's gifts:

- Sunday offering
- Estate planning, stock/bond gifts
- Online banking through your financial institution

Payee – Magnolia Lutheran Church
2414 31st Ave W, Seattle, WA 98199
Telephone – 206-284-0155

- Computer or smartphone
online giving:
⇒ Credit, Debit, Checking account
⇒ One-time or recurring gifts

Set up online giving on our website
www.MagnoliaLutheranChurch.com/give

MLC Has WiFi!

For those of you who may not know, MLC has wifi available for all who wish to use it! Select "MLC Guest" on your device, the password is:

TumbleRibs398

(Not for use during church of course)

Financial Update As of January 31st, 2021

*Income — \$ 30,669

Expenses—\$ 25,891

*Includes some prepaid pledges

Congregation Council 2020-2021

Council Officers:

President -- Robert Bergeron
Vice President -- Victoria Watson
Secretary -- Kimberly Milham
Treasurer -- Dwight Dively
Financial Secretary -- Alice Pease

Contact council officers at
council@magnolialutheranchurch.com

Council members:

The year listed is when the member's term ends, in June.

Audit Committee

Victoria Watson (2024)

Columbarium Committee

Robert Bergeron (2022)

Fellowship Committee

Kimberly Milham (2023)

Finance Committee

Serena Severance (2023)

Nominating Committee

Robert Zierman (2022)

Outreach Committee

Olivia Massiamano (2023)

Personnel Committee

Kay Thoreson (2024)

Property Committee

Mike Olden (2022)

Social Action Committee

Shane Ruegamer (2024)

Stewardship Committee

Robert Bergeron, Olivia
Massiamano, Serena Severance

Women of the ELCA

Kimberly Milham, Serena
Severance

Worship & Music Committee

Kay Thoreson (2024)

Faith Formation—TBD

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OUR CORE VALUES

- All are welcome here.
- Everybody does something.
- There is no minimum, or maximum age for ministry.
- This is a safe place for all God's children.
- We are good stewards of God's creation.



Altar flowers today are given to the Glory of God by the Watson family in honor of their 25th wedding anniversary!
Congratulations Victoria and Nathan!!

SERVANTS TODAY

Guest Pastor – Rev. Valinda Morse

Guest Organist—Sean Connors

Assisting Minister — Thom Eaton

Lector — Thom Eaton

Ushers - Cliff Kurtzweg & Noah Wittner

Altar Guild — Ronnie Beckerleg and Kay Kurtzweg

Audio — Johnny Searle

Live Stream — Aaron Stevens

Counter — Ralph Hendrickson

Coffee Hour Host(s) — No Coffee Hour

Pastor — Kevin Bates

Director of Music Ministry — Ann Simonson

Parish Administrator — Nancy Searle

Caretaker — Mara Meloy

Ministers — All the Baptized Children of God

Affirmation of Welcome

Magnolia Lutheran Church is a place where everyone can find a welcoming, caring, friendly home. Here is a sanctuary filled with the love and grace of our Lord and modeled by our Savior, Jesus Christ.

We believe God's love is for everyone and so commit to provide inclusive acceptance, spiritual nourishment, inspiring kindness and a gracious and loving faith community.

We believe all of God's creations are holy and welcome to receive the sacraments, and to share in fellowship and service here. All people of every ability, race, family or marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, economic condition and background belong here, **Reconciling In Christ**, as children of God.

All are beautiful as they are.

All are part of God's masterpiece.

All are loved as they are.

All are welcome here.

