

MAGNOLIA LUTHERAN CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 10, 2023



WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Pentecost 15

September 10, 2023

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether

Charles Callahan

GATHERING HYMN

Praise, my Soul, the King of Heaven

#864 ELW



1 Praise, my soul, the God of heav - en; joy - ful - ly your trib-ute bring.
2 God be praised for grace and fa - vor to our fore-bears in dis-tress.
3 Frail as sum-mer's flow'r we flour - ish, blows the wind and it is gone;
4 An - gels sing in ad - o - ra - tion, in God's pres-ence, face to face.



Ran-somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en, ev - er - more God's prais-es sing.
God be praised, the same for - ev - er, slow to chide and swift to bless.
but, as mor - tals rise and per - ish, God en-dures un-chang-ing on.
Sun and moon and all cre - a - tion, all who dwell in time and space.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Prais - es ev - er - last - ing ring!
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious is God's faith - ful - ness!
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise the great E - ter - nal One!
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace!




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.**

NOW THE FEAST


Marty Haugen

Refrain



Now the feast and cel - e - bra-tion, all of cre -
a - tion sings for joy to the God of
life and love and free-dom; praise and glo - ry for -
ev - er - more!

To verses



1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once
slain, whose blood has freed and u -
ni - ted us to be one great peo - ple of
God.

Refrain



2 Pow-er and rich-es, wis-dom and might, all hon - or and

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glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er.

3 For God has come to dwell with us,

to make us peo - ple of God; to make

all things new.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Lord God, enliven and preserve your church with your perpetual mercy. Without your help, we mortals will fail; remove far from us everything that is harmful, and lead us toward all that gives life and salvation, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 33:7-11

⁷ So you, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. ⁸ If I say to the wicked, "O wicked ones, you shall surely die," and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. ⁹ But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life.

¹⁰ Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: "Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?"

¹¹ Say to them, As I live, says the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel?

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

SECOND READING: Romans 13:8-14

⁸Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. ⁹The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet”; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, “Love your neighbor as yourself.” ¹⁰Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. ¹¹Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; ¹²the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; ¹³let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. ¹⁴Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Marty Haugen



☐ Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia!

GOSPEL: Matthew 18:15-20

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

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ¹⁵“If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. ¹⁶But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. ¹⁸Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. ²⁰For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.”

After the reading: **Praise to you, O Christ!**

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

SERMON

HYMN

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace



1 Make me a chan - nel of your peace.
2 Make me a chan - nel of your peace.
4 Make me a chan - nel of your peace.



Where there is ha - tred, let me bring your love;
Where there's de - spair in life, let me bring hope;
It is in par - don - ing that we are par - doned,

Last time to coda ⊕



where there is in - ju - ry, your par - don, Lord;
where there is dark - ness, on - ly light;
in giv - ing of our - selves that we re



and where there's doubt, true faith in you.
and where there's sad - ness, ev - er joy.



3 O Mas - ter, grant that I may nev - er seek so



much to be con - soled as to con - sole, to be



un - der - stood as to un - der - stand, to be

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D.C. (stanza 4) al coda



loved as to love with all my soul.

♩ *Coda*



ceive, and in dy - ing that we're born to e - ter - nal life.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Merciful God, receive our prayer.

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING

Offering Music

You Are Mine


Anne Krentz Organ

Offertory Hymn


As the Grains of Wheat

#465 ELW


Refrain



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were




gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from



all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.

1 As this cup of bless - ing is shared with - in our midst,
2 Let this be a fore - taste of all that is to come when

Refrain



may we share the pres - ence of your love.
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

CELEBRATING HOLY COMMUNION



P The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so with you.



P Lift up your hearts. **C** We lift them to the Lord.



P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.



C It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Preface: It is indeed right, our duty, and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise ... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



C Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly are you, God of pow - er and might;



Heav - en and earth are filled with your glo - ry. Ho - san-na in the



high - est! Bless-èd is the One who comes in your name.



Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high-est!

You are indeed holy, gracious and merciful God, Creator of heaven and earth...

Words of Institution (In the night he was betrayed...)

... Remembering his command that we love one another, his life and death and glorious resurrection and ascension, we pray for his coming again even as we cry:

Congregation:

A - men. Come, Lord Je - sus.

Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, that all your promises may come to us and your whole creation. Empower us by that same Spirit, to love and forgive that our lives may anticipate that day when you will make all things new.

Congregation:

A - men. Come, Ho - ly Spir - it.

Gather our prayers with those of the apostles, prophets, martyrs, and all the faithful who have gone before us, and unite them with the unceasing prayer of the One who lives in us and in whom we live, Jesus Christ.

Lord's Prayer

**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, Singing during Communion: Lamb of God



☩ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world:
 ☩ Lamb of God, you break the chains of ha - tred and fear:
 ☩ Lamb of God, you are the way of jus - tice and peace:
 ☩ Lamb of God, you are the way of mer - cy and love:
 ☩ Lamb of God, you pour the Ho - ly Spi - rit on us:



have mer - cy on us, mer - cy on us, mer - cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world:



grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMN

The Peace of the Lord

#646 ELW



1 The peace of the Lord, the peace of the Lord, the
 2 The peace of the Lord, the peace of the Lord, the
 3 The peace of the Lord, the peace of the Lord, the



peace of the ris - en Lord Je - sus: the peace of the
 peace of the ris - en Lord Je - sus: the peace of the
 peace of the ris - en Lord Je - sus: the peace of the



Lord is for you and for me, and al - so for all of God's
 Lord is a - mong us right now, so o - pen your - selves to re -
 Lord kept with - in can - not live, so o - pen your - selves now to



chil - dren. The peace of the Lord is for you and for
 ceive it. The peace of the Lord is a - mong us right
 share it. The peace of the Lord kept with - in can - not



me, and al - so for all of God's chil - dren.
 now, so o - pen your - selves to re - ceive it.
 live, so o - pen your - selves now to share it.

SENDING BLESSING

SENDING HYMN

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

#836 ELW



1 Joy - ful, joy - ful we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!
 2 All thy works with joy sur - round thee, earth and heav'n re - flect thy rays,
 3 Thou art giv - ing and for - giv - ing, ev - er bless - ing, ev - er blest,



Hearts un - fold like flow'rs be - fore thee, prais - ing thee, their sun a - bove.
 stars and an - gels sing a - round thee, cen - ter of un - bro - ken praise.
 well - spring of the joy of liv - ing, o - cean - depth of hap - py rest!



Melt the clouds of sin and sad - ness, drive the gloom of doubt a - way.
 Field and for - est, vale and moun - tain, flow - 'ry mead - ow, flash - ing sea,
 Thou our Fa - ther, Christ our broth - er, all who live in love are thine;



Giv - er of im - mor - tal glad - ness, fill us with the light of day.
 chant - ing bird, and flow - ing foun - tain call us to re - joice in thee.
 teach us how to love each oth - er, lift us to the joy di - vine!

DISMISSAL

Go in Peace! Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

Joyful, Joyful, we Adore Thee

Michael Costello

Servants Schedule for Upcoming Dates

Assisting Minister

Sept 17 — Noah Wittner

Sept 24 — TBD

Lector

Sept 17 — Jeanne Moussette

Sept 24 — TBD

Altar Preparation

Sept 17 — Nancy Searle

Sept 24 — Ronnie Beckerleg & Kay Kurtzweg

Counters

Sept 17 — Noah Wittner

Sept 24 — John Valiton

Coffee Hour Hosts

Sept 17 — Linda & Mark Johnson

Sept 24 — Kathleen & Rob Rowan

Ushers

Sept 17 — Mike Olden

Sept 24 — Mike Olden

Making Music At MLC

Do you like to sing? Join the Choir!

Choir rehearsals happen every other Wednesday at 7:00pm and will commence on September 13th. Are you interested in joining us? Singing is good for you! Speak with to our awesome Music Director, Ann Simonson, or email her at ajsimo@comcast.net.

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.



OR...



This Week at MLC

Sunday, September 10, 22 Years Later

8:15am Worship Service

10am Worship Service

Tuesday, September 12

NO Bible Study

7pm Magnolia Big Band

7pm Council Meeting—Zoom

Wednesday, September 13

7pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 14

7-9pm AA, Fireside Room

Friday, September 15

8pm AA Speakers Meeting, L/H

THE ATRIUM

The Atrium is our Montessori-based faith formation program for children, located upstairs in the big education room. We welcome children starting at age 3. **Sessions resume in October,** with 2 short introductory sessions for new students at 8:30am on October 8 and 15.

All Level 1 students (age 3-6) meet on Sunday, October 29.

All students, Level 1 and 2 (age 3-10), meet starting November 5. We have a flexible start time, beginning at 8:30am.

For more information or to register, please call Marcia Bates at 206-604-7888.



COME JOIN THE CONVERSATION!

The Tuesday morning **Bible Study and Discussion** starts up again on Tuesday, September 26 at 9am. We meet by zoom. The link is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82169366579> This class is for all people—those who are new to faith, and those with theology degrees. We ask questions, contemplate the ancient texts and apply it to our daily life. This class is for everyone, members of Magnolia Lutheran and friends of our faith community. As always, all are welcome.

SUMMER EDUCATION SERIES
SUNDAYS AT 9AM IN LUTHER HALL OR
11:15AM IN THE COLUMBARIUM

TOPICS & DATES!

*Today Twenty-Two Years Later: Lessons
Learned after September 11*

Where were you on 9/11? Come and remember.
Come and tell your story. Come and seek out
where was the presence of God when there was
darkness in the daytime. **Classes happen at 9am
and 11:15 in the sanctuary.**



September 17 TBD

September 24 *The Dirt on Garbage.* What happens to the trash after is placed at our curbs. What is the truth about recycling? Why is it called a transfer station? What is not allowed in our garbage, and why? This class will be led by members of our own faith community.



**Please Remember
In Prayer**

Donna Hegstrom
Dave Larson
Family of Don Goertzen
Family of Bob McIntosh
Family of Pauline McIntosh
Gail Hendrickson
Kelly and Linda Kellenberger
Heidi Carpine
Rick Dagg (friend of the Nagys)
Family of Susan Engquist (sister of
Jennifer Kroeger, aunt to Katherine and
Kasey Kroeger).
Sandy Bennis
Matt Becker (friend of Lance Grimsby)
Russ Long
Family of Carolyn Simonson (Ann Simonson's
mother-in-law)
Vern Lindquist
Cliff Kurtzweg
Chris Backman
Frank Edmondson
Karla Lefferson (in Columbia Lutheran Home)

*If we have inadvertently removed someone
whom you wish to remain on the list or if you
wish to add someone new, please contact the
church office..*

Last Week's Attendance

**8:15am — 10
10am — 40**

REFORMATION PUPPET PLAY SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29!

Rev. Valinda Morse (Vicki) is writing a puppet play for Reformation Sunday! All children are invited to participate!

Rehearsals will be at 9:30am, between services, on the following Sundays:

October 8th
October 15th
October 22nd
October 29th



Scripts will be handed out at the first rehearsal. Parents are invited and welcome to help, just come to the first rehearsal on October 8th!

Hope to see you there!

CONFIRMATION CLASSES KICK-OFF IN SEPTEMBER!

Confirmation Classes restart on Wednesday, Sept 13. Initial classes will only be for those who will be confirmed this Fall. Classes are for students beginning in the 6th grade. This year, will be a scan of the entire biblical story. Confirmation Day will be Sunday, November 12. We meet at 4pm. We meet by zoom. The schedule is below:

9/13 — 4pm — Class for Older Students
9/20 — 4pm — No Class
9/27 — 4pm — Class for Older Students
10/4 — 4pm — No Class
10/11 — 4pm — Class for Older Students
10/18 — 4pm — No Class
10/25 — 4pm — Class for Every Grade
11/1 — 4pm — Class for Every Grade

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- Sunday offering
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- Online banking through your financial institution

Payee – Magnolia Lutheran Church
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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:

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Financial Update

As of July 31, 2023

*Income — \$ 207,522

Expenses—\$ 216,708

*Includes some prepaid pledges

Congregation Council 2022-2023

Council Officers:

President -- Lyle Morse
Vice President -- Megan Hamshar
Secretary -- Robert Bergeron
Treasurer -- Dwight Dively
Financial Secretary -- Alice Pease

Council members:

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

Audit Committee

Victoria Watson (2024)

Columbarium Committee

Robert Bergeron (2025)

Fellowship Committee

Kimberly Milham (2023)

Finance Committee

Shane Ruegamer (2024)

Nominating Committee

TBD

Outreach Committee

TBD

Personnel Committee

Kay Thoreson (2024)

Property Committee

Johnny Searle (2025)

Social Action Committee

Shane Ruegamer (2024)

Lyle Morse (2025)

Stewardship Committee

All Council

Women of the ELCA

TBD

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
Russ and Irene Long for their 51st wedding anniversary.
Happy Anniversary Russ & Irene!!

SERVANTS TODAY

Assisting Minister — Megan Hamshar
Lector — Serena Severance
Ushers — Amy & Thor Sigmar
Altar Guild — Serena Severance & Tom McIntosh
Counters — Ralph Hendrickson
Audio — Johnny Searle
Live Stream — Aaron Stevens
Coffee Hour Host(s) — Amy & Thor Sigmar

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.

