

# MAGNOLIA LUTHERAN CHURCH

AUGUST 20, 2023



But she came and knelt before him, saying,  
“Lord, help me.”

— Matthew 15:25

# WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Pentecost 12

August 20, 2023

## WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Healer of Our Every Ill

Keith Kolander

GATHERING HYMN

All Are Welcome

#641 ELW



1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safe - ly  
2 Let us build a house where proph-ets speak, and words are strong and  
3 Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter, wine and  
4 Let us build a house where hands will reach be - yond the wood and  
5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and vi - sions



live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell how  
true, where all God's chil - dren dare to seek to  
wheat: a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground where  
stone to heal and strength - en, serve and teach, and  
heard and loved and trea - sured, taught and claimed as



hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and  
dream God's reign a - new. Here the cross shall stand as  
peace and jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through  
live the Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the  
words with - in the Word. Built of tears and cries and



vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of  
wit - ness and as sym - bol of God's grace; here as one we  
Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and space; as we share in  
strang - er bear the im - age of God's face; let us bring an  
laugh - ter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house pro -

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Christ shall end di - vi - sions:  
 claim the faith of Je - sus:  
 Christ the feast that frees us: All are wel - come,  
 end to fear and dan - ger:  
 claim from floor to raf - ter:



all are wel - come, all are wel - come in this place.

### 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



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!



Now is the feast of the Lamb once

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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  
glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er. *Refrain*  
3 For God has come to dwell with us,  
to make us peo - ple of God; to make  
all things new. *Refrain*

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of all peoples, your arms reach out to embrace all those who call upon you. Teach us as disciples of your Son to love the world with compassion and constancy, that your name may be known throughout the earth, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

# WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

**FIRST READING:** Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

<sup>1</sup>Thus says the LORD: Maintain justice, and do what is right, for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed. <sup>6</sup>And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD, to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD, and to be his servants, all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it, and hold fast my covenant—<sup>7</sup>these I will bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples. <sup>8</sup>Thus says the Lord GOD, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, I will gather others to them besides those already gathered.

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

**SECOND READING:** Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

[Paul writes:] <sup>1</sup>I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. <sup>2a</sup>God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

<sup>29</sup>For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. <sup>30</sup>Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, <sup>31</sup>so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. <sup>32</sup>For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

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**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 15:21-28

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

<sup>21</sup>Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. <sup>22</sup>Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." <sup>23</sup>But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." <sup>24</sup>He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." <sup>25</sup>But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." <sup>26</sup>He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." <sup>27</sup>She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." <sup>28</sup>Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

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

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

### SERMON

### HYMN

God, we Gather as Your People

#1038 ACS



1 God, we gath - er as your peo - ple to raise our song a -  
2 Oh, we sing for all the chil - dren, that one day they be  
3 Oh, we pray for all the young lives cut short by fear and  
4 God, we're work - ing for the fu - ture when chil - dren far and



bove, and we dare to claim the prom - ise of your love.  
free; and we sing for gen - er - a - tions yet to be,  
shame, so a - fraid of who they are and whom they love.  
wide can . . . live their lives with dig - ni - ty and pride.



Though the day may not yet be here, we  
that they nev - er have a rea - son to  
May the mes - sage now be ban - ished that your  
As they grow in strength and stat - ure, may they



trust it soon will be, when your chil - dren will be free.  
doubt that they are blest. May they, in your love, find rest.  
love is for the few; may their faith in you re - new.  
join us hand in hand, as a - gainst all hate we stand.

*Refrain*

Oh, may our hearts and minds be o-pened, fling the church doors o-pen  
 wide. May there be room e-nough for ev-'ry-one in - side.  
 For in God there is a wel - come, in God we all be -  
 long. May that wel - come be our song.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Hear us O God. Your mercy is great.

## SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## OFFERING

Offering Music

Here is Bread

Nancy Raabe

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.

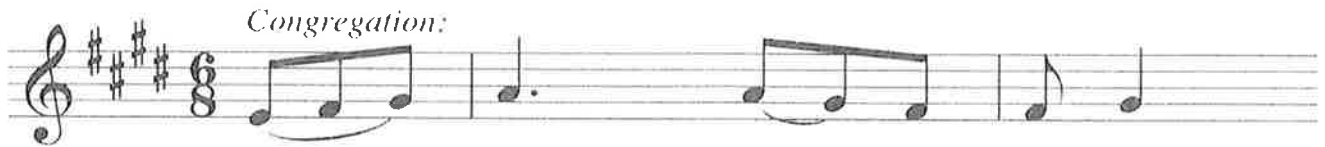


Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high-est!

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

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

... 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:

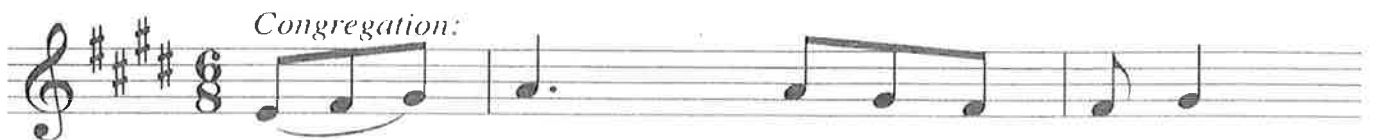


*Congregation:*  
A - men. Come, Lord Je - sus.



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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.



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

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 BLESSING

## SENDING HYMN

In Christ There is no East or West

# 650 ELW



- 1 In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north,
- 2 In Christ shall true hearts ev - 'ry - where their high com - mu - nion find;
- 3 Join hands, dis - ci - ples of the faith, what - e'er your race may be.
- 4 In Christ now meet both east and west, in him meet south and north;



but one com - mu - ni - ty of love through - out the whole wide earth.  
 his ser - vice is the gold - en cord close bind - ing hu - man - kind.  
 All chil - dren of the liv - ing God are sure - ly kin to me.  
 all Christ - ly souls are one in him through - out the whole wide earth.

## DISMISSAL

Go in Peace! Thanks be to God!

## POSTLUDE

Sent Forth by God's Blessing

John Behnke

## Servants Schedule for Upcoming Dates

### Assisting Minister

Aug 27 — Noah Wittner

Sept 3 — TBD

### Lector

Aug 27 — Noah Wittner

Sept 3 — TBD

### Altar Preparation

Aug 27 — Monica Scheiber

Sept 3 — Caroline Alabach & Jeanne Moussette

### Counters

Aug 27 — Noah Wittner

Sept 3 — John Valiton

### Coffee Hour Hosts

Aug 27 — TBD

Sept 3 — Jeanne & David Moussette

### Ushers

Aug 27 — Rob Rowan

Sept 3 — Amy & Thor Sigmar

### LIFE LINE SCREENING WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30TH

Life Line Screening will be at Magnolia Lutheran Church performing 4 different screenings through advanced ultrasound technology. They check for Carotid Artery Disease, Atrial Fibrillation, Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm and Peripheral Arterial Disease. They are offering the 4 screenings for \$149.00.

To register for your appointment and to receive the special discount, please call 1-800-640-6307 or visit [LLSA.SOCIAL/HC](http://LLSA.SOCIAL/HC). More information can be found in the narthex on the table with the name badges.

**LOOK!**

### 20-SOMETHINGS AT MAGNOLIA PUB

Come to the pub on Friday, August 18 at 6pm. Pastor Kevin will buy your first beverage.

This is for current college students, soon-to-be college students, graduates and everyone else in the working world. Ages 18-29 are welcome!

Come and re-connect. Come and let us know what is happening in your life. Come and enjoy!

### This Week at MLC

#### Sunday, August 20, *Of Treaties and Real Rent*

8:15am           Worship Service

10am             Worship Service

#### Tuesday, August 22

##### NO Bible Study

7pm              Magnolia Big Band

#### Thursday, August 24

7-9pm           AA, Fireside Room

#### Friday, August 25

8pm             AA Speakers Meeting, L/H

#### Sunday, August 27, *no summer ed classes*

8:15am           Worship Service

10am             Worship Service

### COFFEE HOUR HOSTS

Thank you to everyone who has signed up for coffee hour!! There is still one spot left for August so if you haven't signed up, please consider doing so. Grab a friend from church and do it together! It doesn't have to be anything elaborate. Some people like to do it up big and that's great, but that doesn't mean YOU have to! Store bought or homemade cookies and coffee is just fine! Trust me, anything is greatly appreciated!!

**LOOK!**

### MLC needs a host for coffee hour on August 27th!!

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

**TOPICS & DATES!**

**TODAY! *Of Treaties and Real Rent***

Come and enter into the story of our shared history with our Native American neighbors. This class meets on Sunday, Aug 20 at 9am and 11:15am. We will explore at least one mutually agreed upon treaty. And we will share information about Real Rent -- a way that some people are choosing to honor the First Nation Peoples. If time allows, we will also talk about Billy Frank, Jr and his statue in the US Capitol in Washington DC.

**August 27th**      *No Classes Scheduled*

**As always, all are welcome**



**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)

**MLC BARBECUE 2023!**

Another successful barbecue is in the books!



*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..*

Thank you to everyone who attended and brought a delicious side or dessert to share! There wasn't a lack of food, that's for sure!

**Last Week's Attendance**

**8:15am — 20  
10am — 36**

## REMODELING UPDATE!

Every day we get a little closer. The demolition work is completed. The electrician has installed wires. The drywall has been hung, taped and mudded!

Offices are set up in the church basement. Come and stop by. To find our offices, simply follow the signs.

Thanks to all who made a financial pledge to pay for this remodeling project. We invite and encourage other pledges for this project. Together, we will be able to pay off the construction loan. Watch for a pledge card in the mail, entitled: Together, God with Us, We Move Ahead.

Check out the new big opening between the lounge and library!



## TWO TRIPS TO HOLDEN VILLAGE

This is your invitation to come to Holden Village. This year, we have two opportunities for you to attend. Holden Village is an old mining town high in the Cascade Mountains. The village is now owned and operated as a retreat center by the Lutheran Church.

Holden is in a remote location. There are only two ways to access the village. The most common way is to drive to Lake Chelan; buy a ticket to ride the Lady of the

Lake passenger ferry; depart up-lake at Lu-

cerne; and ride one of Holden's famous school buses up to the village. The other way is to backpack in. Meals are served family style. Holden offers learning opportunities, hiking, pottery, weaving and rest. Evening worship is life giving and the central part of each day.

**The first trip begins on August 27.** Please register on your own. Simply go to [www.holdenvillage.org](http://www.holdenvillage.org). Click on the tab that says "visit"

then "plan your stay". You have the opportunity to stay for 3 days, 5 days or 7 nights. Pricing is provided on the website. **Pastor Kevin will be traveling to Holden from August 27 to August 30.** We invite confirmation students and their families to attend.

**The second trip begins on Sept 10.** Participants attending this week will accompany Pastor Kristy Daniels and friends from the Church of Steadfast Love in Pioneer Square. Should you have any questions about Holden please contact our Pastor at 206-434-1058, or email him at [pastor@magnolialutheranchurch.com](mailto:pastor@magnolialutheranchurch.com)



# 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 31<sup>st</sup> 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](http://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**

## 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.

## SERVANTS TODAY

**Assisting Minister** — Mark Johnson

**Lector** — Mark Johnson

**Ushers** — Mike Olden

**Altar Guild** — Monica Scheiber

**Counters** — Ralph Hendrickson

**Audio**— Johnny Searle

**Live Stream**—Aaron Stevens

**Coffee Hour Host(s)** — Mahsa Solhi

**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.

