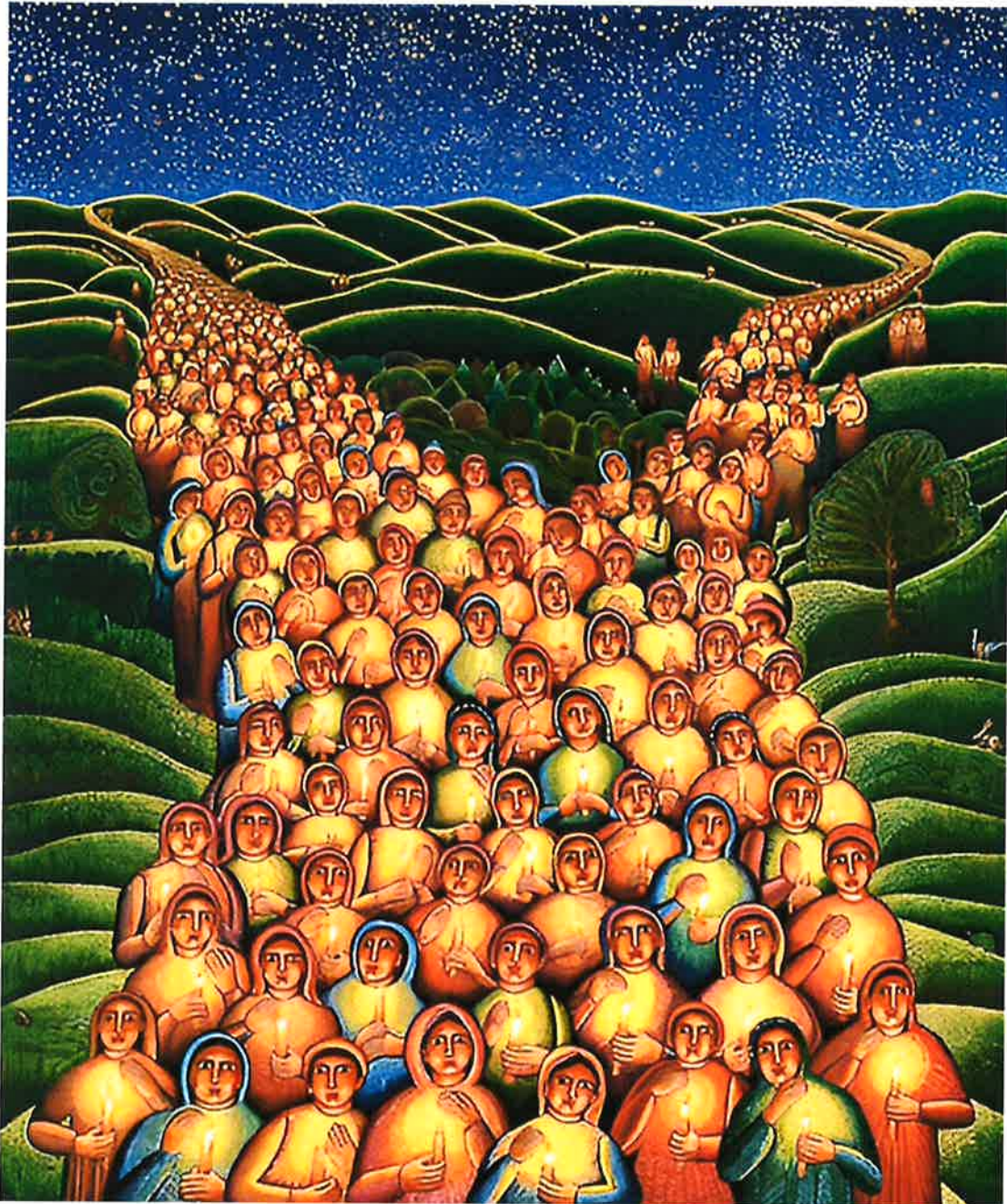


# MAGNOLIA LUTHERAN CHURCH

OCTOBER 8, 2023



WORSHIPPING REGULARLY  
GIVING GENEROUSLY  
SERVING FAITHFULLY  
LIVING IN COMMUNITY  
GROWING IN FAITH

# WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Pentecost 19

October 8, 2023

## WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now

Paul Manz

GATHERING HYMN

Earth is Full of Wit and Wisdon

#1064 ACS



1 Earth is full of wit and wis - dom, sound - ing God's de - light - ed laugh,  
2 Earth is full of wit and wis - dom, wo - ven in - to har - mo - ny.  
3 Earth is full of wit and wis - dom: pen - guin, pla - ty - pus, and snail,



from the ti - ny ro - ly - po - ly to the tree - top - tall gi - raffe.  
Ev - 'ry crea - ture has a pur - pose, ev - 'ry flow'r and bum - ble - bee.  
cac - tus, sea slug, oak, and al - gae, from the mi - crobe to the whale.



All cre - a - tion sings in won - der; e - ven rocks and trees re - jice  
Spi - der, hu - man, red - wood, geck - o, mon - key, chick - en, mouse, and snake  
In this great and strange cre - a - tion, with a breath God gives us birth:



as they join the ring - ing cho - rus: ech - oes of our Mak - er's voice.  
live with - in a sin - gle fab - ric: cloth that on - ly God could make.  
born of soil to live as stew - ards, called to love and serve the earth.

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.**

# KYRIE

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

Christ, have mer - cy. Christ, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord,

Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - cy.

Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - cy.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Beloved God, from you come all things that are good. Lead us by the inspiration of your Spirit to know those things that are right, and by your merciful guidance, help us to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

### FIRST READING: Isaiah 5:1-7

<sup>1</sup>Let me sing for my beloved my love-song concerning his vineyard:  
My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill. <sup>2</sup>He dug it and cleared it of stones,  
and planted it with choice vines; he built a watchtower in the midst of it, and hewed out a wine  
vat in it; he expected it to yield grapes, but it yielded wild grapes.  
<sup>3</sup>And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard.  
<sup>4</sup>What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not done in it? When I expected it to  
yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes?  
<sup>5</sup>And now I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard. I will remove its hedge, and it shall  
be devoured; I will break down its wall, and it shall be trampled down. <sup>6</sup>I will make it a  
waste; it shall not be pruned or hoed, and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns;  
I will also command the clouds that they rain no rain upon it.  
<sup>7</sup>For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts is the house of Israel, and the people of Judah  
are his pleasant planting; he expected justice, but saw bloodshed; righteousness, but heard a  
cry!

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

### SECOND READING: Philippians 3:4b-14

[Paul writes:] <sup>4b</sup>If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: <sup>5</sup>circumcised  
on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of  
Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; <sup>6</sup>as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness  
under the law, blameless.

<sup>7</sup>Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. <sup>8</sup>More than  
that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my  
Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order  
that I may gain Christ <sup>9</sup>and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes  
from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on  
faith. <sup>10</sup>I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings  
by becoming like him in his death, <sup>11</sup>if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

<sup>12</sup>Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make  
it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. <sup>13</sup>Beloved, I do not consider that I have

made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, <sup>14</sup>I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

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

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW Setting One

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. *Repeat alleluia*  
Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

## GOSPEL: Matthew 21:33-46

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

[Jesus said to the people:] <sup>33</sup>“Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. <sup>34</sup>When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. <sup>35</sup>But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. <sup>36</sup>Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. <sup>37</sup>Finally he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ <sup>38</sup>But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.’ <sup>39</sup>So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. <sup>40</sup>Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?” <sup>41</sup>They said to him, “He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.” <sup>42</sup>Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the scriptures: ‘The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord’s doing, and it is amazing in our eyes’? <sup>43</sup>Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. <sup>44</sup>The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.” <sup>45</sup>When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. <sup>46</sup>They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

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

# WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

SERMON

HYMN

All Are Welcome

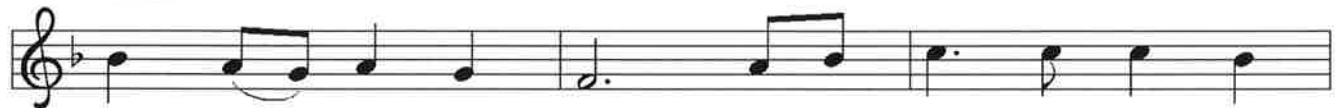
#641 ELW



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 -



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.

# PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God of grace, hear our prayer.

## SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

### OFFERING

Offering Music

Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise

Charles Callahan

Offertory Hymn

Let the Vineyards be Fruitful

#182 ELW



Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be



fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u -



nite them with the prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your



pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

## 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.**

*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:

The Distribution, Singing during Communion: Lamb of God

#199 ELW

Je - sus, Lamb of God, have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins, have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world,

grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMN

God the Sculptor of the Mountains

#736 ELW

God the sculp tor of the moun - tains, God the mill - er of the  
 God the nui - sance to the Pha - raoh, God the cleav - er of the  
 God the dress - er of the vine - yard, God the plant - er of the  
 God the un - ex - pect - ed in - fant, God the calm, de - ter - mined

sand, God the jewel - er of the heavn - ens,  
 sea, God the pil - lar of the dark - ness,  
 wheat, God the reap - er of the har - vest,  
 youth, God the ta - ble - turn - ing proph - et,

God the pot - ter of the land: you are womb of all cre -  
 God the bea - con of the free: you are fount of all de -  
 God the source of all we eat: you are host at ev - 'ry  
 God the re - sur - rect - ed truth: you are pres - ent ev - 'ry



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
 ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
 heav-en and earth are full, full of your glo - ry.  
 Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.  
 Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
 Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.


Words of Institution (In 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.**

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a - tion, we are form - less; shape us now.  
 liv - 'rance, we are sight - less; lead us now.  
 ta - ble, we are hun - gry; feed us now.  
 mo - ment, we are search - ing; meet us now.

## SENDING BLESSING

### SENDING HYMN

Thine the Amen

#826 ELW



- 1 Thine the a - men thine the praise al - le - lu - ias an - gels raise
- 2 Thine the life e - ter - nal - ly thine the prom - ise let there be
- 3 Thine the tru - ly thine the yes thine the ta - ble we the guest
- 4 Thine the king - dom thine the prize thine the won - der full sur - prise
- 5 Thine the glo - ry in the night no more dy - ing on - ly light



thine the ev - er - last - ing head thine the break - ing of the bread  
 thine the vi - sion thine the tree all the earth on bend - ed knee  
 thine the mer - cy all from thee thine the glo - ry yet to be  
 thine the ban - quet then the praise then the jus - tice of thy ways  
 thine the riv - er thine the tree then the Lamb e - ter - nal - ly



thine the glo - ry thine the sto - ry thine the har - vest then the cup  
 gone the nail - ing gone the rail - ing gone the plead - ing gone the cry  
 then the ring - ing and the sing - ing then the end of all the war  
 thine the glo - ry thine the sto - ry then the wel - come to the least  
 then the ho - ly ho - ly ho - ly cel - e - bra - tion ju - bi - lee

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thine the vine - yard then the cup is lift - ed up lift - ed up.  
gone the sigh - ing gone the dy - ing what was loss lift - ed high.  
thine the liv - ing thine the lov - ing ev - er - more ev - er - more.  
then the won - der all in - creas - ing at thy feast at thy feast.  
thine the splen - dor thine the bright - ness on - ly thee on - ly thee.

**DISMISSAL**            Go in Peace! **Thanks be to God!**

**POSTLUDE**            Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow            Johann Pachelbel

## Servants Schedule for Upcoming Dates

### Assisting Minister

Oct 15 — Thom Eaton  
 Oct 22 — Serena Severance

### Lector

Oct 15 — Thom Eaton  
 Oct 22 — Serena Severance

### Altar Preparation

Oct 15 — Monica Scheiber  
 Oct 22 — Caroline Alabach & Jeanne Moussette

### Counters

Oct 15 — John Valiton  
 Oct 22 — Ralph Hendrickson

### Coffee Hour Hosts

Oct 15 — Kimberly & Nick Milham  
 Oct 22 — **HOST NEEDED FOR THE 22ND!**

### Ushers

Oct 15 — Amy & Thor Sigmar  
 Oct 22 — Amy & Thor Sigmar

## Making Music At MLC

**Do you like to sing? Join the Choir!**  
 Choir rehearsals happen every other Wednesday at 7:00pm. 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...



LOOK!



## 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 TODAY and October 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.

## This Week at MLC

### Sunday, October 8—Ribbon Cutting!

8:15am      Worship Service  
 10am        Worship Service

### Tuesday, October 10

9am         Bible Study  
 7pm         Council Meeting—Zoom  
 7pm         Magnolia Big Band

### Wednesday, October 11

7pm         Choir Practice

### Thursday, October 12

7-9pm       AA, Fireside Room

### Friday, October 13

8pm         AA Speakers Meeting, L/H

### Sunday, October 15

8:15am      Worship Service  
 10am        Worship Service

LOOK!

## COME JOIN THE CONVERSATION!

**Bible Study and Discussion** happens on Tuesday 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.**

**TODAY!**

## GRAND OPENING OF OUR REMODEL!

After three months of work, we have a date for our Grand Opening!! That date is **TODAY!** After the 10am service—the ribbon will be cut!!

### BLESSING AND DEDICATION OF OUR NEW SPACE!

Come to worship on Sunday, **November 5** as we officially dedicate our new space for our shared ministry. Our Bishop, Shelley Bryan Wee, will be present at each worship service.

On this day we will also give God thanks for the saints who have gone before us—and remember them by name.

A **HUGE** thank you to everyone who helped make this happen!! Particularly Mike Pellett from LZL and Donna Bergeron! Well done guys, well done!



### **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
- Frank Edmondson
- Karla Lefferson
- Lon Pilichowski (cousin of the Searles)

### BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS



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2  
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*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 — 11**  
**10am — 37**

## 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!

Interested? Call Valinda at 360-250-2103

## OUTREACH AND COMMUNITY NEWS!

**October 21- Octoberfest in Luther Hall.** This is an event for our neighbors, our neighborhood and our friends. Come along and help out with the party. Come along and invite others to the fun. See Bob Bergeron for details.

**October 29 - The Phinney Ridge Gospel Choir** will be joining us at the 10am worship service! This is Reformation Sunday, which is also a day to celebrate our relationship with Christians of other denominations. Come and join the fun!

**December 2—Swedish Pancake Breakfast!** With all the fixings!! Some of our neighbors call our pancake breakfast the official kick-off of the Christmas season. Lots of hands make for good community work. Stay tuned for de-

## CONFIRMATION CLASSES KICKED OFF IN SEPTEMBER!

Confirmation Classes started on Wednesday, Sept 13. Initial classes will only be for those who will be confirmed this Fall. Classes are for students beginning in the 6<sup>th</sup> 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:

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

Questions: Call PK at 206-284-0155



## HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GATHERING: SUMMER 2024

Imagine: 8,000 High School youth from Lutheran congregations all around our country gathering in New Orleans. It is going to happen from July 16-20. Early registration is \$375 (excluding food and transportation).

Adult chaperones are needed to accompany our youth. If you are interested in this once-in-a-lifetime adventure contact Pastor Kevin. Also check out the youth gathering website:

<https://bit.ly/3QMM79g> Stay tuned for a planning meeting for more information.

**CREATED TO BE** 2024 ELCA Youth Gathering  
including **MYLE the tAble** Young Adult Gathering

This Wednesday!

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- Sunday offering
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- 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 August 31, 2023

\*Income — \$ 226,140

Expenses—\$ 243,848

\*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 the Pickering family in honor of Ella's 23rd Birthday!  
Happy Birthday Ella!

## SERVANTS TODAY

**Asisting Minister** — Mark Johnson

**Lector** — Mark Johnson

**Ushers** — Rob Rowan

**Altar Guild** — Amy Sigmar

**Counter** — Noah Wittner

**Audio** — Johnny Searle

**Live Stream** — Aaron Stevens

**Coffee Hour Host(s)** — Kay Kurtzweg, Jeanne Moussette  
& Anne Krook

**Pastor** — Kevin Bates

**Director of Music Ministry** — Ann Simonson

**Parish Administrator** — Nancy Searle

**Caretaker** — Mara Meloy

**Ministers** — All the Baptized Children of God

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## 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.

