

MAGNOLIA LUTHERAN CHURCH  
January 31, 2021 Epiphany 4  
10am



*Prelude*

There is a Balm in Gilead

John Carter

*Welcome and Introductions*

*Greeting*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ  
the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

*Kyrie Eleison*

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of  
the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us  
pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For this holy house, and for all who offer here  
their worship and praise, let us pray to  
the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord. **Amen.**

*Prayer of the Day*

Compassionate God, you gather the whole universe into your radiant  
presence and continually reveal your Son as our Savior. Bring wholeness  
to all that is broken and speak truth to us in our confusion, that all creation  
will see and know your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

*Scripture Readings*

**First Reading:** Deuteronomy 18:15-20

[Moses said:] <sup>15</sup>The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me  
from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. <sup>16</sup>This is what

you requested of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: “If I hear the voice of the LORD my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die.”<sup>17</sup> Then the LORD replied to me: “They are right in what they have said.<sup>18</sup> I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command.<sup>19</sup> Anyone who does not heed the words that the prophet shall speak in my name, I myself will hold accountable.<sup>20</sup> But any prophet who speaks in the name of other gods, or who presumes to speak in my name a word that I have not commanded the prophet to speak—that prophet shall die.”

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

**Gospel:** Mark 1:21-28

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

<sup>21</sup>[Jesus and his disciples] went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught.<sup>22</sup> They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes.<sup>23</sup> Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit,<sup>24</sup> and he cried out, “What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God.”<sup>25</sup> But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be silent, and come out of him!”<sup>26</sup> And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him.<sup>27</sup> They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, “What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.”<sup>28</sup> At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

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

**Homily**

**Hymn**

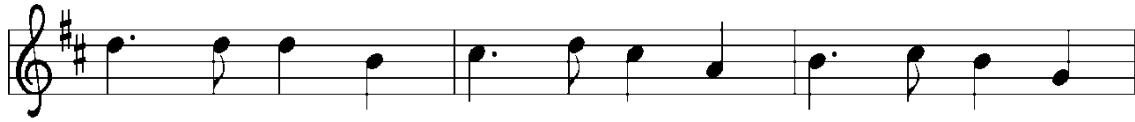
Healer of Our Every Ill

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*Refrain*

Heal - er of our ev - 'ry ill, light of each to - mor - row,  
give us peace be - yond our fear, and hope be - yond our sor - row.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the refrain, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The lyrics are written below the notes.



1 You who know our fears and sad - ness, grace us with your  
2 In the pain and joy be - hold - ing how your grace is  
3 Give us strength to love each oth - er, ev - 'ry sis - ter,  
4 You who know each thought and feel - ing, teach us all your



peace and glad - ness; Spir - it of all com - fort, fill our hearts.  
still un - fold - ing, give us all your vi - sion, God of love.  
ev - 'ry broth - er; Spir - it of all kind - ness, be our guide.  
way of heal - ing; Spir - it of com - pas - sion, fill each heart.

### *Nicene Creed*

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 the People*

Let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.**

*The 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.**

*Announcements*

*Sending Blessing*

*Postlude*

Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

Robert Hobby

If you wish to join MLC for the coffee hour at 11am, please contact our Parish Administrator, Nancy, at

206-284-0155 or

[parishadmin@magnolialutheranchurch.com](mailto:parishadmin@magnolialutheranchurch.com)

She will be happy to send you a link!



BETH  
HARWOOD -  
YOU ARE  
LOVED AND  
WILL BE  
MISSED!

### FAREWELL AND GODSPEED BETH!

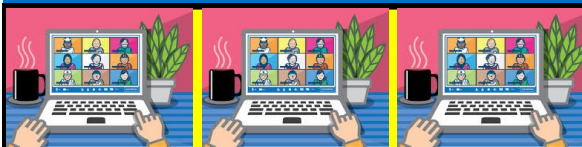
After living in Seattle for 41 years, the movers came on Friday and packed Beth up for her move to South Carolina. Beth worked in Hotel sales for Crowne Plaza Downtown for 30 years but lost her job due to Covid19. Beth was a member of MLC for 28 years. She ushered and performed with the bell choir for at least ten of those. And she did it all with that beautiful smile! Why South Carolina? Cheaper, warmer, 24 golf courses, 60 miles of bike trails, it's a smaller city (40,000 full time residents) and her best friend will retire there next year. When asked what Beth will miss most about Seattle, she said, "Summers, but mostly my friends and adopted church families. It has been a blessing to live in the Magnolia Community for 33 years. I am REALLY sad to leave our idyllic village." The summers are so hot in South Carolina that Beth plans to come back to Seattle to visit during the summer in the future. Thank you Beth, for your many years of service, and friendship, at Magnolia Lutheran.



We have been putting together recordings with as many voices from MLC as possible to play as the Hymn of the Day during the live stream Worship services on Sundays. You've probably heard some of them if you tune in to Sunday's service.

**We would like to add your voice!**

Watch your inboxes for your next recording opportunity and give it a try! You don't even have to be on key!



### ONLINE MEETINGS

**Bible Study:** Tuesday at 11am

**Mediation & Prayer:** Every  
Wednesday at 11am

**Topical Discussion:** Thursday at 7pm

**Let's Chat:** Thursday at 11am

## Mary's Place

no one's child should sleep outside

Mary's Place provides safe, inclusive shelter and services that support women, children and families on their journey out of homelessness.

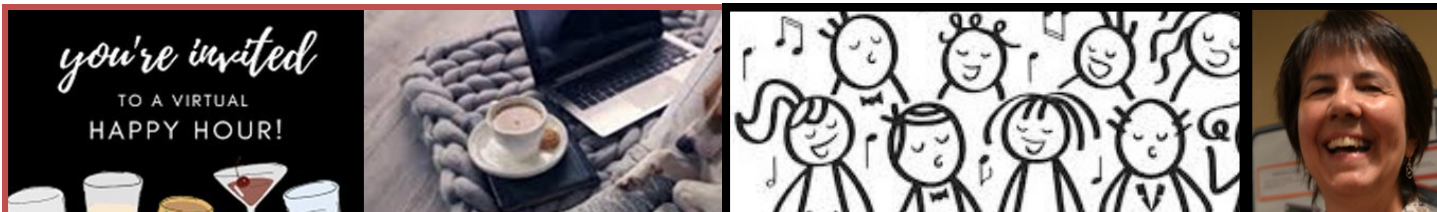
MLC's Social Action Committee has chosen Mary's Place to help during these trying times; by providing donations of anything and everything that someone may need to care for their baby.

Please drop donations off to the breezeway on the East side of the church.

Thank you, as always, for your generosity!



# ZOOM MEETINGS AND OTHER INFORMATION



## WOMAN OF THE ELCA VIRTUAL HAPPY HOUR

Come join for a virtual happy hour with the ladies from MLC ! **The first and third Monday of the month at 7pm.** Just a time for a casual chat and check in.

([shrenalee@gmail.com](mailto:shrenalee@gmail.com))

## ZOOM SING-ALONG WITH ANN!

If you miss singing, but don't feel like participating in the recording, you might try "Singing With Ann" on **Wednesday nights at 7pm.** 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!



**Thursdays at 11am  
with Pastor Kevin**

The floor is open to chat about anything and everything. You start the conversation! So tune in on Thursdays at 11am and Let's Chat!

## LENT IS ALMOST HERE!

The theme for Lent this year is "Just a Closer Walk With Thee". Watch your inboxes for more information! Also, watch your mailboxes for a letter detailing MLC's plans for Ash Wednesday, February 17th! Coming soon!!



**TOPICAL DISCUSSION  
Thursdays at 7pm.**

**February 4th**— "My Life as an ICU Nurse During a Pandemic" with Hannah Ostad.

More information coming soon!

Wednesdays at 11am via zoom  
Prayer and Meditation

With Pastor Kevin



**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING TODAY  
JANUARY 31, 2021 AT 11AM.**

If you didn't RSVP for the meeting but would like to attend, please email [parishadmin@magnolialutheranchurch.com](mailto:parishadmin@magnolialutheranchurch.com) right away for a link to the meeting and to have a packet sent to you.

**If you're not receiving emails for these important announcements, please contact MLC's parish administrator to be added to the email list. 206-284-0155 or email: [parishadmin@magnolialutheranchurch.com](mailto:parishadmin@magnolialutheranchurch.com)**



**Please Remember  
In Prayer**

Daniel Meloy  
Linda Kellenberger  
Dave Larson  
Brian Rowse, DVM (cousin of the Backmans)  
Don Goertzen  
Erika Simonson  
Josephine Wright (mother of LuAnn Mitchell)  
Family of Kevin Beneke (brother-in-law of Barb Heinen)  
Family of Bob McIntosh  
Pauline McIntosh  
Vickie Edmondson  
Family of Nina Steidl  
Family of Helen Kack  
Family of J.J. Rentel  
Family of William Olden  
Family of Barbara Munro  
Samantha Scheiber  
Gudrun Brown (friend of Alice Pease)  
Brian Reiersen and Julia Christianson (recovering from car accident)  
Kay Thoreson

*If you wish to add someone to the prayer  
list, please contact the church office.*

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Year-end figures will be in next week's bulletin.

**Financial Update  
Through December 2020**

\*Income — \$310,655  
Expenses—\$319,723

**Congregation  
Council 2020-2021**

**Council Officers:**

President -- Serena Severance  
Vice President -- Dave Heinen  
Secretary-- Bob Bergeron  
Treasurer -- Dwight Dively  
Financial Secretary-- Alice Pease

Contact council officers at  
[council@magnolialutheran  
church.com](mailto:council@magnolialutheran<br/>church.com)

**Council members:**

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

Mike Olden (2022)  
Property Committee  
Robert Bergeron (2023)  
Columbarium Committee  
Serena Severance (2020)  
Finance Committee  
Women of the ELCA  
Olivia Massimiano (2023)  
Outreach  
Stewardship Committee  
Bob Bergeron (2022)  
Stewardship Committee  
Dave Heinen (2021)  
Audit Committee  
Nominating Committee  
Bob Zierman (2023)  
Social Action Committee  
Kimberly Milham (2023)  
Fellowship Committee  
Women of the ELCA  
Deborah Ramsey (2021)  
Faith Formation  
Fellowship Committee  
Kay Thoreson (2021)  
Personnel Committee  
Worship & Music Committee

**MAGNOLIA  
LUTHERAN CHURCH**

Share your God-given gifts by giving generously

- Sunday Offering
- Estate planning, stock/bond gifts
- Online banking through your financial institutions

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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-1](http://www.magnolialutheranchurch.com/give-1)

### Additional Ways to Give

We are pleased to let you know that we have two additional ways to give! First, you will notice that there is a QR code printed on this page. A QR code is a quick-response bar code that can be scanned by your cell phone's QR reader or camera, and re-direct you to a website. Just open your camera and point it at the code, then open the link it gives you on your screen. Our QR code will take you directly to the MLC giving platform. Secondly, MLC now has a PayPal account!

The "PayPal" link is on our giving homepage, and will allow you to give directly to the church and other organizations that MLC sponsors, and is another option for setting up recurring payments. If you have any questions about these two giving options, please let us know!

You can send an email to Nancy at  
[parishadmin@magnolialutheranchurch.com](mailto:parishadmin@magnolialutheranchurch.com).







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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.

**Pastor** — Kevin Bates

**Director of Music Ministry** — Ann Simonson

**Parish Administrator** — Nancy Searle

**Caretaker** — Mara Meloy

**Nursery Attendant** — Diana Frederick

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

**Live Stream Production** — Evan Kelly, Mark Kelly and Aaron Stevens