

MAGNOLIA LUTHERAN Church
AUGUST 22, 2021



“EPHPHATHA...BE OPENED”

Mark 7:34

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Pentecost 13

August 22, 2021

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Open the Eyes of My Heart

Paul Baloche

GATHERING HYMN

God is Here

#526 ELW



1 God is here! As we your peo - ple meet to of - fer
2 Here are sym - bols to re - mind us of our life - long
3 Here our chil - dren find a wel - come in the Shep - herd's
4 Lord of all, of church and king - dom, in an age of



praise and prayer, may we find in full - er mea - sure
need of grace; here are ta - ble, font, and pul - pit;
flock and fold; here as bread and wine are tak - en,
change and doubt, keep us faith - ful to the gos - pel;



what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the
here the cross has cen - tral place. Here in hon - es -
Christ sus - tains us as of old. Here the ser - vants
help us work your pur - pose out. Here, in this day's



world a - round us, all our var - ied skills and arts
ty of preach - ing, here in si - lence, as in speech,
of the Ser - vant seek in wor - ship to ex - plore
ded - i - ca - tion, all we have to give, re - ceive;



wait the com - ing of the Spir - it in - to o - pen minds and hearts.
here, in new - ness and re - new - al, God the Spir - it comes to each.
what it means in dai - ly liv - ing to be - lieve and to a - dore.
we, who can - not live with - out you, we a - dore you! We be - lieve!

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

You Are Holy

#525 ELW

The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff in a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics printed below the notes. The lyrics are: "You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand. Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead. You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness, you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord! Sing ho - san - na in the high - est! Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!"

You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er more
than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.
Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here
to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.
You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,
you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!
Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!
Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Holy God, your word feeds your people with life that is eternal. Direct our choices and preserve us in your truth, that, renouncing what is false and evil, we may live in you, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

FIRST READING: Isaiah 35:1-7

¹The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad,
the desert shall rejoice and blossom;
like the crocus ²it shall blossom abundantly,
and rejoice with joy and singing.
The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it,
the majesty of Carmel and Sharon.
They shall see the glory of the LORD,
the majesty of our God.

³Strengthen the weak hands,
and make firm the feeble knees.
⁴Say to those who are of a fearful heart,
"Be strong, do not fear!
Here is your God.
He will come with vengeance,
with terrible recompense.
He will come and save you."

⁵Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,
and the ears of the deaf unstopped;
⁶then the lame shall leap like a deer,
and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy.
For waters shall break forth in the wilderness,
and streams in the desert;
⁷the burning sand shall become a pool,
and the thirsty ground springs of water;
the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp,^[a]
the grass shall become reeds and rushes.

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

PSALM: Psalm 51:10-15

¹⁰Create in me a clean ¹heart, O God,
and renew a right spir- ¹it within me.
¹¹Cast me not away ¹from your presence,
and take not your Holy Spir- ¹it from me.
¹²Restore to me the joy of ¹your salvation
and sustain me with your boun- ¹tiful Spirit.

- ¹³ Let me teach your ways ¹ to offenders,
and sinners shall be re- ¹ stored to you.
- ¹⁴ Rescue me from bloodshed, O God of ¹ my salvation,
and my tongue shall sing ¹ of your righteousness.
- ¹⁵ O Lord, o- ¹ pen my lips,
and my mouth shall pro- ¹ claim your praise.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jesus, Remember Me

#616 ELW

The musical score consists of two systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats) and the time signature is 7/8. The lyrics are: "Je - sus, re - mem - ber me when you come in - to your king - dom." The first system includes a fermata over the final note of the vocal line. The second system ends with a double bar line.

GOSPEL: Mark 7:31-37

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

³¹ Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. ³² They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. ³³ He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. ³⁴ Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." ³⁵ And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. ³⁶ Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. ³⁷ They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

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

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

SERMON

HYMN

Awake! Awake and Greet the New Morn

#242 ELW



1 A - wake! A - wake, and greet the new morn, for
2 To us, to all in sor - row and fear, Em -
3 In dark - est night his com - ing shall be, when
4 Re - joice, re - joice, take heart in the night, though



an - gels her - ald its dawn - ing. Sing out your joy, for
man - u - el comes a - sing - ing, his hum - ble song is
all the world is de - spair - ing, as morn - ing light so
dark the win - ter and cheer - less, the ris - ing sun shall



soon he is born, be - hold! the Child of our long - ing.
qui - et and near, yet fills the earth with its ring - ing;
qui - et and free, so warm and gen - tle and car - ing.
crown you with light, be strong and lov - ing and fear - less.



Come as a ba - by weak and poor, to bring all hearts to -
mu - sic to heal the bro - ken soul and hymns of lov - ing -
Then shall the mute break forth in song, the lame shall leap in
Love be our song and love our prayer and love our end - less



geth - er, he o - pens wide the heav'n - ly door and
kind - ness, the thun - der of his an - thems roll to
won - der, the weak be raised a - bove the strong, and
sto - ry; may God fill ev - 'ry day we share and



lives now in - side us for - ev - er.
shat - ter all ha - tred and blind - ness.
weap - ons be bro - ken a - sun - der.
bring us at last in - to glo - ry.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

OFFERING

Offering Music : We Are Marching In The Light Of God #866 ELW

Offertory hymn Let Us Go Now to the Banquet #523 ELW

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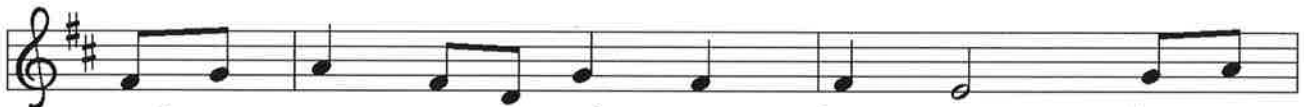
Let us go now to the ban - quet, to the



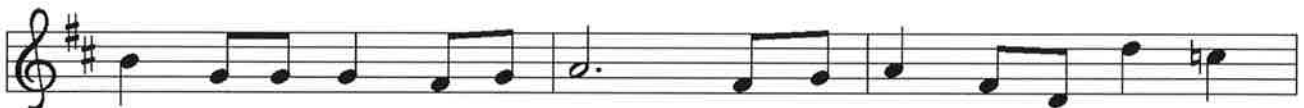
feast of the u - ni - verse. The ta - ble's set and a place is



wait - ing; come, ev - 'ry - one, with your gifts to share.



1 I will rise in the ear - ly morn - ing; the com -
2 God in - vites all the poor and hun - gry to the
3 May we build such a place a - mong us where all



mu - ni - ty's wait - ing for me. With a spring in my step I'm
ban - quet of jus - tice and good where the har - vest will not be
peo - ple are e - qual in love. God has called us to work to -



walk - ing with my friends and my fam - i - ly.
hoard - ed so that no one will lack for food.
geth - er and to share ev - 'ry - thing we have.

Refrain / Estribillo

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.

COMMUNION HYMNS

By Your Hand You Feed Your People

#469 ELW



- 1 By your hand you feed your peo - ple, food of an - gels, heav-en's bread.
- 2 In this meal we taste your sweet-ness, bread for hun - ger, wine of peace.
- 3 Send us now with faith and cour - age to the hun - gry, lost, be - reaved.



For these gifts we did not la - bor, by your grace have we been fed:
Ho - ly word and ho - ly wis - dom sat - is - fy our deep - est needs.
In our liv - ing and our dy - ing, we be - come what we re - ceive:



Christ's own bod - y, blessed and bro - ken, cup o'er - flow - ing, life out - poured,



giv - en as a liv - ing to - ken of your world re - deemed, re - stored.



giv - en as a liv - ing to - ken of your world re - deemed, re - stored.

How Great Thou Art

#856 ELW



- 1 O Lord my God, when I in awe - some won - der con - sid - er
- 2 When through the woods and for - est glades I wan - der, I hear the
- 3 But when I think that God, his Son not spar - ing, sent him to
- 4 When Christ shall come, with shout of ac - cla - ma - tion, and take me

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all the works thy hand hath made, I see the stars, I hear the might-y
birds sing sweet-ly in the trees; when I look down from loft - y moun-tain
die, I scarce can take it in, that on the cross my bur-den glad-ly
home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in hum-ble ad - o -



thun - der, thy pow'r through-out the u - ni - verse dis-played;
gran - deur and hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze;
bear - ing he bled and died to take a - way my sin;
ra - tion and there pro - claim, "My God, how great thou art!"

Refrain



Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to thee, how great thou



art! How great thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav - ior God, to



thee, how great thou art! How great thou art!

WE ARE SENT OUT TO LOVE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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. Be wise. Be Kind. Let Love Abound.
Thanks Be to God!

POSTLUDE

Peace in the Valley

Floyd Cramer

SERVANT'S SCHEDULE

Assisting Minister

Aug 29 — Serena Severance

Sept 5 — Russ Long

Lector

Aug 29 — Serena Severance

Sept 5 — Jeanne Mousette

Altar Preparation

Aug 29 — Serena Severance &
Tom McIntosh

Sept 5 — Amy Sigmar

Counters

Aug 29 — TBD

Sept 5 — TBD

Coffee Hour Hosts

Aug 29 — Mike Olden

Sept 5 — Marcia & Kevin Bates

Ushers

August — 22nd Rob Rowan & Cliff
Kurtzweg

August — 29th TBD

NEW!

UPDATE ON MLC'S STAFF

If you stop by the church during these waning days of August, you won't see a few familiar faces. By the alignment of stars, our Pastor and two of our staff are taking a few days off of well-deserved vacation. Ann, our musical director, is traveling to Virginia with her husband and daughters to spend some time with her extended family. Mara, our property caretaker, is trekking over the mountains to Eastern Washington to see family. Pastor Kevin, his lovely wife Marcia and son, Tyler, will be heading to New York where he will be transferring from Seattle University to St. John's University in Queens, NY. Never fear, parish administrator, Nancy, will be holding down the fort! Safe travels to all and good luck to Tyler at St. John's!

NEW!

GUEST MUSICIAN AND GUEST PASTOR

In late August we welcome two guests to our congregation who will lead us in music and worship leadership. David Little is providing musical accompaniment today, August 22nd and Sunday, August 29th. David is an avid fisherman and loves "putting in" for salmon as he fishes Puget Sound. David is also a retired music teacher in the Edmonds School District. In pre-Covidian times you could find David playing piano at any number of eating establishments in Seattle and Edmonds.

David Ellingson, is our guest pastor on August 29th. David is an author, kayaker, professor and pastor. He is adventuresome soul who has paddled a kayak the entire length of the Mississippi. He has written books on youth ministry, and his kayaking adventures. His latest book is a children's book titled "Grizz & His Friends". He was a professor at Trinity Lutheran College and served as Region One Director of Youth Ministries.

Welcome!

David Little



David Ellingson



This Week at MLC

Sunday, August 22

9am Worship Service

Tuesday, August 24

11am In person Bible Study

1pm Zoom Bible Study

Friday, August 20

8pm AA Speakers Meeting

Sunday, August 29,

9am Worship Service

HYGIENE ITEMS NEEDED!

Compass Housing Alliance is in need of hygiene items for homeless adults. WestSide Baby needs the same, except their need is for babies. In the past we have asked that you bring in kits, however, they would rather have the loose items so that they can assemble the kits themselves. Shampoo, conditioner, toothbrushes, toothpaste (small), deodorant (small), soap, bags (zipper); baby shampoo, diapers/pull-ups, wipes, diaper cream, bottles, sippy cups, pacifiers, etc. Please drop the items off in the marked box in the Narthex. Thank you in advance for your ongoing generosity!



WestSide Baby
basics for children in need

COMPASS
HOUSING
ALLIANCE

UPDATE!

PAJAMAS, SOCKS & UNDERWEAR

Thank you once again for your never ending generosity! Valinda and Lyle Morse have gathered up all of the pajamas, socks, underwear, etc. that were donated, loaded them in their van, and are on the way to Rock Point, Arizona! They will also be taking the first solar powered generator to them! It'll be fun to hear about their adventures and to hear how happy your gifts of clothing, electricity and love will make the recipients!



MAGNOLIA LUTHERAN CHURCH SOLAR GENERATOR PROJECT

Navaho Evangelical Lutheran Mission, Rock Point Arizona

Few know the challenges created by hunger, drought, job insecurity or loss like the Navajo. For those whose registered tribal home is Rock Point Arizona, about 173,000 in number, the distance between home and help of any kind is a minimum of 50 miles. For most healthcare, jobs and supplies require a full day plus a working vehicle, fuel and travel food to gather provisions needed for home and family... just to return to a home without electricity or running water. Less than half the households have both; this represents 70,000 individuals!

The solar charged generator project is designed to provide an affordable stand-alone solar system which can power many needs in a household. Lighting for nighttime medications and study, power for an electric blanket for nighttime warmth, enough power to run a small refrigerator and of course to charge devices. These very basic needs can be addressed with the solar powered generators which have become more affordable and dependable. MLC's goal will be to provide 5 households with power. As always, thank you for your generosity!!

JOIN US FOR
BIBLE STUDY

In Person Tuesdays at 11am
Zoom Tuesdays at 1pm

NEW!

Making Music At MLC

Do you like to sing? Join the Choir! They will resume practice on October 6th at 7pm. Are you interested in joining? Singing is good for you! Speak with 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



QUILTERS AND HAND WORK GROUPS

The quilting and hand work groups will start meeting again sometime in the fall., most likely in September. Watch your bulletins and inbox for more information!

Crochet



Needlepoint



Knit



**Please Remember
In Prayer**

- Linda Kellenberger
- Dave Larson
- Brian Rowse, DVM (cousin of the Backmans)
- Don Goertzen
- Erika Simonson
- Josephine Wright (mother of LuAnn Mitchell)
- Family of Bob McIntosh
- Pauline McIntosh
- Vickie Edmondson
- Family of Nina Steidl
- 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)
- Irene Long
- Kathi Galletly (frined of the Torellis)
- Jonathan Drugge (son of friends of Kay Thoreson)

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

9:00am Service

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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 July 31, 2021

*Income — \$ 213,022

Expenses—\$189,692

*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 (2023)

Columbarium Committee

Robert Bergeron (2023)

Fellowship Committee

Kimberly Milham (2023)

Finance Committee

Serena Severance (2022)

Nominating Committee

Robert Zierman (2022)

Outreach Committee

Olivia Massiamano (2023)

Personnel Committee

Kay Thoreson (2023)

Property Committee

Mike Olden (2022)

Stewardship Committee

Robert Bergeron, Olivia Massiamano, Serena Severance

Women of the ELCA

Kimberly Milham, Serena Severance

Worship & Music Committee

Kay Thoreson (2021)

Social Action Committee—TBD

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 sponsored by Kelly and Linda Kellenberger in honor of their 50th wedding anniversary. Happy anniversary Kelly and Linda!!

SERVANTS TODAY

Assisting Minister — Mark Johnson

Lector — Mark Johnson

Guest Musician — David Little

Ushers — Rob Rowan & Cliff Kurtzweg

Altar Guild — Caroline Alabach

Audio — Johnny Searle

Live Stream — Aaron Stevens

Counters — John Valiton & Ralph Hendrickson

Coffee Hour Host(s) — Kay & Cliff Kurtzweg

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.

