# MAGNOLIA LUTHERAN CHURCH SEPTEMBER 19, 2021



Children of the Navajo Tribe, picture courtesy of Reverend Valinda Morse

WHOEVER WELCOMES ONE SUCH CHILD, WELCOMES ME.

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## WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Pentecost 17

September 19, 2021

## WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Lord, Thee I Love With All My Heart

David Cherwien

GATHERING HYMN

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

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- Praise the One who breaks the dark-ness with a lib er at ing light;
- 2 Praise the One who blessed the chil-dren with a strong yet gen-tle word;
- 3 Praise the one true love in car nate: Christ, who suf fered in our place;



praise the One who frees the pris-'ners, turn-ing blind-ness in - to sight. praise the One who drove out de-mons with a pierc-ing, two-edged sword. Je - sus died and rose for man - y that we may know God by grace.



Praise the One who preached the gos - pel, heal-ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease, Praise the One who brings cool wa - ter to the des - ert's burn-ing sand; Let us sing for joy and glad-ness, see-ing what our God has done.



calm-ing storms and feed - ing thou-sands with the ver - y bread of peace. from this well comes liv - ing wa - ter quench-ing thirst in ev - 'ry land. Praise the one re - deem - ing glo - ry; praise the One who makes us one.

### 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.



### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O God, our teacher and guide, you draw us to yourself and welcome us as beloved children. Help us to lay aside all envy and selfish ambition, that we may walk in your ways of wisdom and understanding as servants of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.** 

## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 11:18-20

18 It was the LORD who made it known to me, and I knew; then you showed me their evil deeds.

19 But I was like a gentle lamb led to the slaughter.

And I did not know it was against me that they devised schemes, saying,

"Let us destroy the tree with its fruit, let us cut him off from the land of the living, so that his name will no longer be remembered!"

20 But you, O LORD of hosts, who judge righteously, who try the heart and the mind, let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause.

Holy Words. Holy Wisdom. Thanks be to God.

## SECOND READING: James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a

<sup>13</sup>Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. <sup>14</sup>But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. <sup>15</sup>Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. <sup>16</sup>For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. <sup>17</sup>But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. <sup>18</sup>And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

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#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ACS Setting 12



Noth-ing in all cre - a - tion can sep-a-rate us from the love of God.



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GOSPEL: Mark 9:30-37

Before the reading: Glory to you, O Lord!

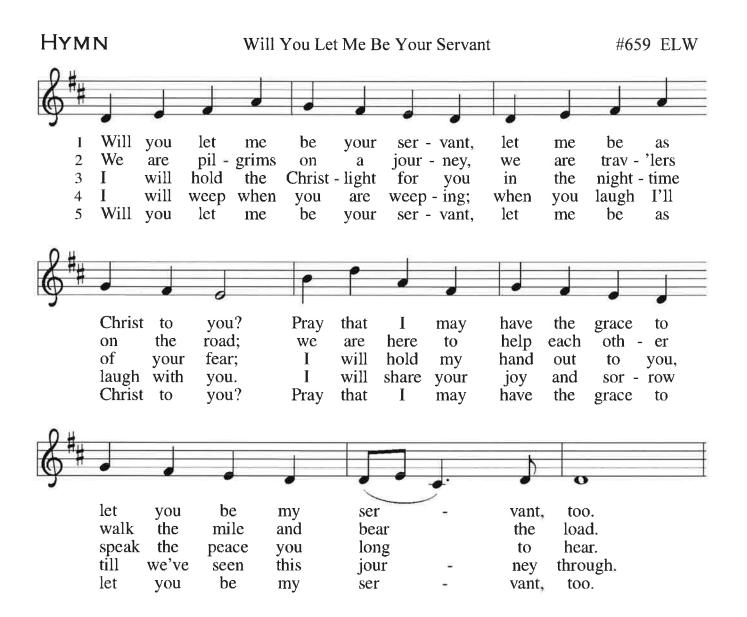
<sup>30</sup>[Jesus and the disciples went on] and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; <sup>31</sup> for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." <sup>32</sup>But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" <sup>34</sup>But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. <sup>35</sup>He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." <sup>36</sup>Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, <sup>37</sup>"Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."

After the reading: Praise to you, O Christ.

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

SERMON



#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

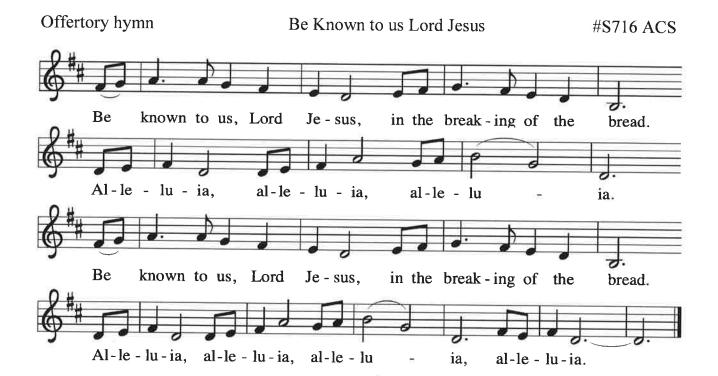
### SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

#### OFFERING

Offering Music

Children of the Heavenly Father

Robert Hobby



## 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

Children of the Heavenly Father

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Tryg - ga - re kan ing - en va - ra än Guds lil - la bar - na - ska - ra,

- 1 Chil dren of the heav'n-ly Fa ther safe ly in his bo som gath er;
- 2 God his own doth tend and nour-ish, in his ho ly courts they flour ish.
- 3 Nei ther life nor death shall ev er from the Lord his chil-dren sev er;
- 4 Though he giv eth or he tak eth, God his chil-dren ne'er for sak eth;



stjär-nan ej på him-la-fäs-tet, få-geln ej i kän-da näs-tet. nest-ling bird nor star in heav - en such a ref - uge e'er was giv - en. From all e - vil things he spares them, in his might - y arms he bears them. un - to them his grace he show - eth, and their sor - rows all he know - eth. the lov-ing pur-pose sole - ly to pre-serve them pure and ho - ly.

#### Around You, O Lord Jesus

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- 1 A round you, O Lord Je sus, your own you gath er 2 We hear your in vi ta tion, and heed, O Lord, your still
- call:
- 3 We are your own for ev er; un til our fi nal breath



share the feast you give us with grace our lives to fill. your word of con - so - la - tion is spo - ken here to all. will be true and nev - er- in joy, in grief, in death—



You say to us SO lov - ing - ly, "Take, eat! This is my It draws us to your lov - ing heart; it brings to your de - part from you, for you are still a - mong your peo - ple



my blood!" bless ing, which nev - er will de part. dwell ing, as you have said will. you

### WE ARE SENT OUT TO LOVE

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### SENDING BLESSING





DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Be wise. Be Kind. Let Love Abound.

Thanks Be to God!

**POSTLUDE** 

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

David Cherwien

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#### SERVANT'S SCHEDULE

**Assisting Minister** 

Sept 26 — Thom Eaton

Oct 3 — Serena Severance

Lector

Sept 26 — Thom Eaton

Oct 3 — Serena Severance

**Altar Preparation** 

Sept 26 — Ronnie Beckerleg & Kay

Kurtzweg

Oct 3 — Serena Severance & Tom

McIntosh

Counters

Sept 26 — TBD

Oct 3 — TBD

**Coffee Hour Hosts** 

Sept 26 — Deborah & Clayton Ramsey

Oct 3 — TBD

Ushers

Sept 26 — TBD

Oct 3 — Rob Rowan & Mike Olden



### Don't Shoot The Messenger!

Believe it or not, it is time to think about how many wreaths and garlands MLC needs to order. Our supplier would like the order in by October 1st! That's only weeks away! There is an order form in your bulletin. You may also find one on MLC's website or in the church office. As many of you know, the wreaths and garlands are high quality and all sales benefit the Queen Anne Helpline in the 98199 zip code. They also make great gifts for your friends, family and neighbors! You can drop your order form in the collection plate, mail it in or drop it off to the office.



#### BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Blessing of the animals, 2021, will happen on October 3rd after the 10am worship service in the Village. So bring your animals to the outside of the Book Store at 11:30am where they will receive a blessing from PK! All animals are welcome!









### This Week at MLC

Sunday, September 19

8:15am Worship Service 10am Worship Service

Tuesday, September 21

10:30am NO BIBLE STUDY 1pm NO BIBLE STUDY

Friday, September 24

8pm AA Speakers Meeting

Sunday, September 26

8:15am Worship Service 10am Worship Service

# WOMEN OF THE ELCA VIRTUAL HAPPY HOUR—TOMMOROW!

Come join for a virtual happy hour with the ladies from MLC! **The third Monday of the month at 7:30pm**. Cozy up to your laptop or iPad and join our Zoom meeting with your favorite beverage. Just a time for a casual chat and check in.







# THANK YOU, THANK YOU! THANK YOU!!

Thanks to the generosity of MLC, over \$20,000 was raised for the Navajo Lutheran Mission! That is in addition to all of the clothes, socks, underwear, pajamas, etc. that were donated. Imagine the delight of the children and adults alike when they saw all of the generous gifts and more importantly, the first generator 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. Thank you to Valinda and Lyle Morse who loaded up their van and drove all of the clothes and the first generator to Rock Point, Arizona. Today, September 19th, Valinda and Lyle will be sharing their experiences with MLC!



# ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY TO CHANGE LIVES!

Magnolia Lutheran Church sponsors female students through MaaSae Girls Lutheran Secondary School. Paulina Alais, graduated in October of 2018 from High School, thanks to the generosity of Magnolia Lutheran Church. She is continuing her education which will cost \$1,200. MLC Also sponsors two other girls, Eveline Stephano and Udamhindi Querabasta. Each of these girls tuition is \$1,100. October will be "MaaSae month" where we will try to raise the \$3,400 to allow these girls to continue their education, a life changing endeavor for them all. Stay tuned for more information. October 24th will be "MaaSae Sunday." Stay tuned for more information.







## 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!



COMPASS HOUSING ALLIANCE







#### Making Music At MLC

Do you like to sing? Join the Choir! They will resume practice on November 3rd 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.



#### **QUILTERS AND HAND WORK GROUPS**

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

Crochet



Needlepoint





### 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 (friend of the Torellis)

Jonathan Drugge (son of friends of Kay Thoreson)

Family of Don Westergaard (brother of Irene Long)

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 Service 14 10am Service 34

## 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

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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

#### **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 August 31, 2021

Income\* — \$ 232,322 Expenses—\$216,904 \*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@magnolialutheran church.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)

Social Action Committee

Shane Ruegamer (2023)

Stewardship Committee

Robert Bergeron, Olivia

Massiamano, Serena Severance

Women of the ELCA

Kimberly Milham, Serena

Severance

Worship & Music Committee Kay Thoreson (2021)

Faith Formation—TBD

# MAGNOLIA LUTHERAN CHURCH

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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 David and Jeanne Moussette to honor the faithful of MLC.

### SERVANTS TODAY

Presiding—Reverend Valinda Morse

Assisting Minister — Kimberly Milham

Lector — Caroline Alabach

Ushers — Noah Wittner & Cliff Kurtzweg

Altar Guild — Amy Sigmar

Audio — Johnny Searle

**Live Stream** — Aaron Stevens

Counters — Ralph Hendrickson & Monica Scheiber Coffee Hour Host(s) — Jeanne & David Moussette

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.

