## Magnolia Lutheran Church

May 15, 2022



## Love one another.

— John 13:34

### WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Easter 5

May 15, 2022

### WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Great God, Your Love Has Called Us

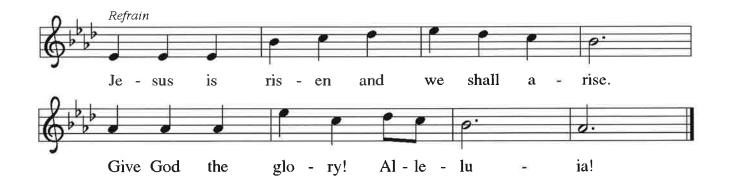
John Behnke

GATHERING HYMN

Alleluia! Jesus is Risen!

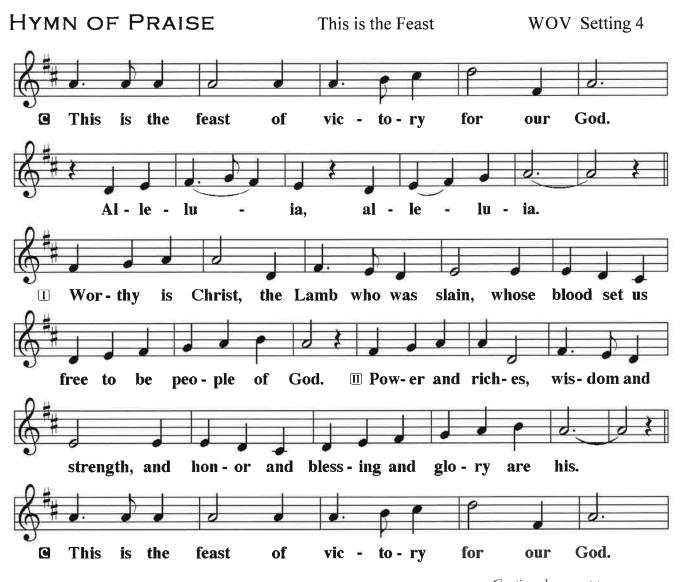
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#### GREETING

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

O Lord God, you teach us that without love, our actions gain nothing. Pour into our hearts your most excellent gift of love, that, made alive by your Spirit, we may know goodness and peace, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

### WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

### FIRST READING: Acts 11:1-18

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. <sup>2</sup>So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him. saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' 10 This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. 11At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. <sup>12</sup>The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. <sup>13</sup>He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; <sup>14</sup>he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' <sup>15</sup>And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. <sup>16</sup>And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' <sup>17</sup>If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" <sup>18</sup>When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

Holy Words. Holy Wisdom. Thanks be to God.

### SECOND READING: Revelation 21:1-6

<sup>1</sup>I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. <sup>2</sup>And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup>And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"See, the home of God is among mortals.

He will dwell with them;

they will be his peoples,

and God himself will be with them;

<sup>4</sup>he will wipe every tear from their eyes.

Death will be no more;

mourning and crying and pain will be no more,

for the first things have passed away."

<sup>5</sup>And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." <sup>6</sup>Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."

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### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: John 13:31-35

Before the reading: Glory to you, O Lord!

<sup>31</sup>When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. <sup>32</sup>If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. <sup>33</sup>Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot

come.' <sup>34</sup>I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. <sup>35</sup>By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

After the reading: Praise to you, O Christ!

### WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

#### SERMON

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HYMN Lord of All Nations, Grant Me Grace #716 ELW of Lord all na tions, grant me grace to love all Break down the wall that would di vide thy chil dren, Lord, erred For - give me, where have by love less Ι age, Lord, Give me thy cour speak when - ev to er With thine filled own love may and by thy peo - ple, 'ry race; and each per son ev - 'ry Lord, on side. My neigh-bor's good let me pur and thought-less Make me word. the wrong I to see my - self strong op - press weak. Should I the the vic - tim Ho - ly Spir - it willed, that all Ι touch, wher-e'er

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SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CELEBRATING HOLY COMMUNION

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...

*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:



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

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

All are invited to the Table. Come as you wish. The ushers will guide you by row.

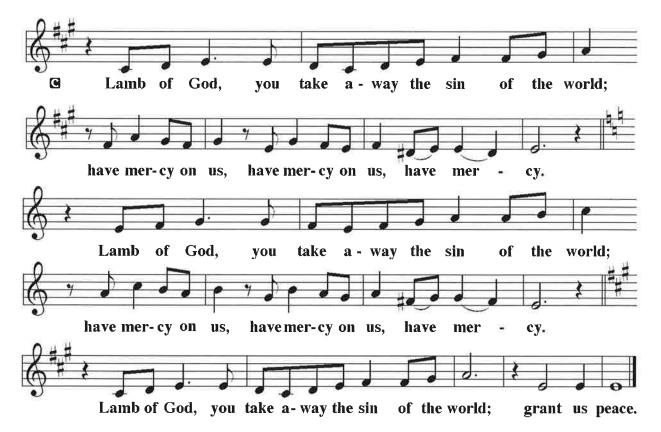
The pastor distributes the bread. Others will distribute wine and grape juice. Simply take a pre-poured glass and return it to the empty tray.

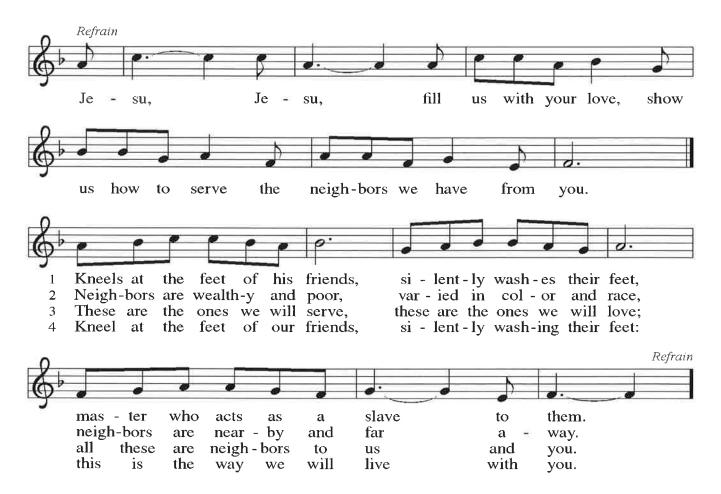
We use White Grape Juice. This juice is lighter in color and located in the center of the tray.

The people are welcome and invited to sing during communion.

### Singing during Communion:

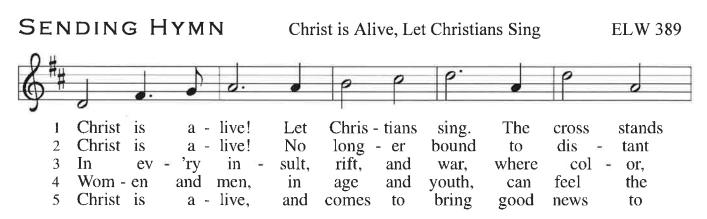
Lamb of God

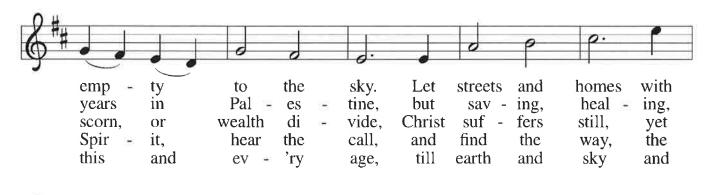


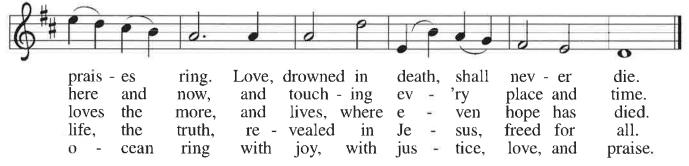


### WE ARE SENT OUT TO LOVE

### SENDING BLESSING







DISMISSAL Christ is risen! He is Risen Indeed! Alleluia!

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Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing!

Jonathan Reuss

### SERVANT'S SCHEDULE

**Assisting Minister** 

May 22 — Kimberly Milham

May 29 — Serena Severance

Lector

May 22 — Jeanne Moussette May 29 — Serena Severance

**Altar Preparation** 

May 22 — Caroline & Jeanne May 29 — Serena Severance &

Tom McIntosh

#### Counters

May 22 — Noah Wittner

May 29 — Ralph Hendrickson

**Coffee Hour Hosts** 

May 22 — Lance Grimsby May 29 — TBD

Ushers

May 22 — Cliff Kurtzweg and Mike Olden

May 29 — Rob Rowan and Noah Wittner

### This Week at MLC

Today, May 15

8:15am Worship 9am Atrium 10am Worship

Tuesday, May 17

9am Bible Study, Zoom 11am Bible Study, in person Magnolia Big Band 7pm

Wednesday, May 18

8am Prayer & Meditation,

Zoom

Choir Practice 7pm

Thursday, May 19

AA, Fireside Room 7pm

Friday, May 20

6:30pm AA Big Book, Fireside

AA, Luther Hall 8pm

Sunday, May 22

8:15am Worship 9am Atrium 10am Worship

Memorial Service, 1pm

Gerd Ostrem



### MAKING MUSIC AT MAGNOLIA LUTHERAN CHURCH

### **UPDATE ON SINGING WITH** ANN AND CHOIR

Choir rehearsals have started and will continue through the first week of June. There will be no Singing with Ann during that time. There is a possibility that Singing with Ann will begin again in the Summer. Please watch your inboxes and check your bulletin for more information on when it will start up again.

If you'd like to make music but can't sing, you should consider the bell choir. Practice is usually limited to several weeks before the Sunday of a performance, which is approximately 4 or 5 times a year.

If you would like to join the choir, or bell choir, please contact MLC's awesome music director, Ann Simonson, at ajsimo@comcast.net.



## QUILTING AND HAND WORK GROUP'S FIRST MEETING!



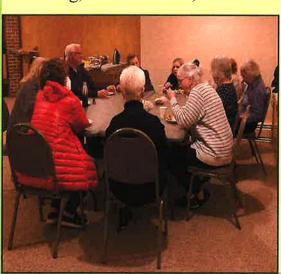
Prayers are answered! The needlework/hand work group has come to the rescue! Valinda Morse has most generously brought the needlework group to the very tiny remnant of the quilting group. We can all work in the same space and fulfill our mission to help save the world by our hands.

The first meeting was held Thursday, May 5. They began at 10am and wound things down about 2pm. The invitation is to come when you can and leave when you must. Don't forget to bring a lunch! Coffee will be provided. The decision was made to continue on the second Thursday of the month from 10am—2pm. The next meeting will be on June 9th. They will take a break in July and August but will resume on September 8th.

All are welcome! If you can tie a knot, we need you! Even if you can't tie a knot, we need you! f you want only to join in fellowship, please come! It's a God thing. Questions? See MLC's parish administrator.

If you don't wish to join, but believe in the mission, donations can be made to the quilters group to help cover the cost of batting, etc. Just note "quilters group" on the memo line.

Participants Kathleen Rowan, Valinda Morse, Ronnie Beckerleg, Barbara Helde, Yuri Sunbury, Mike and



Sherry Hassel, Kay Kurtzweg, Jeanne Moussette and Susan Dively take a break for lunch. Just as important as the quilting and hand work is the camaraderie!

### Please Remember In Prayer

Kelly Kellenberger

Dave Larson

Don Goertzen

Family of Bob McIntosh

Pauline McIntosh

Gail Hendrickson

Family of J.J. Rentel

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)

Kathi Galletly (friend of the Torellis)

Family of David Hoffman (friend of PK's friend)

Family of Elsie Simon

Josephine Wright (mother of LuAnn Mitchell)

Washington Correction Center for Women Maxwell Penn and family (relative of the Ramseys)

Rick Dagg (friend of the Nagys)

Dennis Branstetter (friend of the Nagys)

Long Pham (friend of the Nagys)

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 Sunday's Attendance**

8:15am — 24

10:00 am - 37

**CHECK IT OUT!** 

## UPDATE ON THE NAVAJO MISSION!

Here is another example of how the Navajo Lutheran Mission is using **MLC's generous donations:** 

### **Amory White**

Amory lives about 4-5 miles southeast of the Mission. He is still waiting for electricity to be connected to his home. He says he used the solar generator to recharge his cell phone and operate small appliances.

Most Navajo families who do not have running water or electricity are on the waiting list for 10-15 years. The Nation and Federal government



requires a homesite lease that can take up to 5 years for approval. While homesite lease is being processed, families cannot apply for water or electricity connections, as the Navajo Nation requires completed paperwork.

Your very generous donations are changing lives!

### **NELM MISSION VISIT**

Magnolia Lutheran Church's Social Action Committee is planning a mission visitation to Navajo Evangelical Lutheran Mission in 2022 and 2023. The visitation this summer is planned for June 30, 2022 to July 7, 2022. The visitation in 2023 will be determined at a later date but will not replicate the 2022 dates. There are numerous volunteer opportunities on the 5-acre campus, they are varied and will accommodate a variety of volunteer gifts and talents. Since we will be there over a holiday there will also be time for rest and relaxation; perhaps hike to Rock Point or visit Canyon de Chelly. If you choose to drive, there are many national parks along the way to Rock Point, it is a great opportunity to include time to visit these wonders.

THOSE INTERESTED IN JOINING THIS YEARS MISSION TRIP TO THE NAVAJO EVANGELI-CAL MISSION IN ROCK POINT ARIZONA JUNE 30-JULY 7 REGISTER WITH LYLE MORSE lyletmorse@gmail.com or the church office.



### CAN'T MAKE IT TO ARIZONA? YOU CAN STILL HELP!!

As stated above, the Social Action Committee of MLC is planning a mission trip to the Navajo Evangelical Lutheran Mission (NELM), Rockpoint, Arizona in late June. There will be opportunities to provide sponsorships for four children and one classroom as well as solar panels and generators. The sponsorships for the children include items that are needed for the school, i.e., fuel, food, hygiene, books and supplies. Many of you have voiced your interest in NELM but are unable to go in June. I have been in contact with NELM and have been advised that the current inventory of children's clothes is nonexistent. The items requested are, most especially, underwear, socks, pajamas, athletic clothing, shorts and long pants for both boys and girls. The children range from 5 to 9 years old. We will begin gathering clothes in the Narthex in May. Both gently used and new are welcome. Once again, I am very thankful for this generous congregation. If you find it in your heart to purchase an item or two, it would be most appreciated. Reverend Valinda Morse.

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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 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

### **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**

(YTD through April 30, 2022) \*Actual income — \$100,952 Actual expenses — \$121,036

\*Includes some prepaid pledges.

The adopted budget, YTD P&L and current balance sheet are posted in the coffee hour room and are available upon request.

## 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.

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Columbarium Committee

Robert Bergeron (2022)

Fellowship Committee

Kimberly Milham (2023)

Finance Committee

Serena Severance (2023)

Nominating Committee Robert Zierman (2022)

Outreach Committee

Olivia Massiamano (2023)

Personnel Committee

Kay Thoreson (2024)

**Property Committee** 

Mike Olden (2022)

Social Action Committee

Shane Ruegamer (2024)

Stewardship Committee

Robert Bergeron, Olivia

Massiamano, Serena Severance

Women of the ELCA

Kimberly Milham, Serena Severance

Worship & Music Committee Kay Thoreson (2024)

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.

### SERVANTS TODAY

**Assisting Minister** — Thom Eaton

Lector — Thom Eaton
Ushers — Amy & Thor Sigmar
Altar Guild — Caroline Alabach & Jeanne Moussette

Counters — John Valiton Audio — Johnny Searle

Live Stream—Aaron Stevens
Coffee Hour Host(s) — Amy & Thor Sigmar

Pastor — Kevin Bates

Director of Music Ministry — Ann Simonson
Caretaker — Mara Meloy
Parish Administrator — Nancy Searle
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.

—January 2015. All are loved as they are. All are welcome here.

