

MAGNOLIA LUTHERAN CHURCH

DECEMBER 24, 2021
10PM



FOR UNTO YOU IS BORN THIS DAY

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Christmas Eve

10pm

Dec. 24, 2021

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

O Little Town of Bethlehem

Christina Shehi

GREETING AND WELCOME

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.**

CHRISTMAS CAROL

Angels We Have Heard on High

#289 ELW



- 1 An - gels we have heard on high, sweet - ly sing - ing o'er the plains,
- 2 Shep-herds, why this ju - bi - lee? Why your joy - ous strains pro - long?
- 3 Come to Beth - le - hem and see him whose birth the an - gels sing;



and the moun-tains in re - ply, ech - o - ing their joy - ous strains.
What the glad - some tid - ings be which in - spire your heav'n - ly song?
come, a - dore on bend - ed knee Christ the Lord, the new - born king.

Refrain

Glo - - - - - ri - a

in ex - cel - sis De - o; glo - - - - -

- - - - - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o.

CHRISTMAS GOSPEL: Luke 2:1-20

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

¹ In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. ² This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. ³ All went to their own towns to be registered. ⁴ Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. ⁵ He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. ⁶ While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. ⁷ And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

⁸ In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. ⁹ Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. ¹⁰ But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: ¹¹ to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah,^[a] the Lord. ¹² This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.” ¹³ And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host,^[b] praising God and saying,

¹⁴ “Glory to God in the highest heaven,
and on earth peace among those whom he favors!”^[c]

¹⁵ When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has

made known to us.”¹⁶ So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger.¹⁷ When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child;¹⁸ and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them.¹⁹ But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart.²⁰ The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

After the reading: Praise to you, O Christ.

REFLECTION/SERMON

CHRISTMAS CAROL

Joy to the World

#267 ELW



1 Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth re -
 2 Joy to the earth, the Sav - ior reigns! Let all their
 3 No more let sin and sor - row grow nor thorns in -
 4 He rules the world with truth and grace and makes the



ceive her king; let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare him
 songs em - ploy, while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and
 fest the ground; he comes to make his bless - ings
 na - tions prove the glo - ries of his righ - teous -



room and heav'n and na - ture sing, and heav'n and na - ture
 plains re - peat the sound-ing joy, re - peat the sound-ing
 flow far as the curse is found, far as the curse is
 ness and won - ders of his love, and won - ders of his



sing, and heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.
 joy, re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
 found, far as, far as the curse is found.
 love, and won - ders, won - ders of his love.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.**

CHRISTMAS BLESSING

CHRISTMAS CAROL

Silent Night, Holy Night

#281 ELW



1 Si - lent night, ho - ly night! All is calm,
2 Si - lent night, ho - ly night! Shep - herds quake
3 Si - lent night, ho - ly night! Son of God,



all is bright round yon vir - gin moth - er and child.
at the sight; glo - ries stream from heav - en a - far,
love's pure light ra - diant beams from your ho - ly face,



Ho - ly In - fant, so ten - der and mild, sleep in heav - en - ly
heav'n - ly hosts . . . sing, al - le - lu - ia! Christ, the Sav - ior, is
with the dawn of re - deem - ing grace, Je - sus, Lord, at your



peace,
born!
birth,
sleep in heav - en - ly peace.
Christ, the Sav - ior, is born!
Je - sus, Lord, at your birth.



CHRISTMAS DECORATION DONORS



Chris & Georgia Backman

In memory of parents Roberta & Einar Backman
and parents Mary Ann & Bob Robinson

Ken & Nina Graff

In memory of Chris Graff

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In memory of Mary B. Shelton Grimsby
and Pastor Krag & Vi

Barbara Helde

In memory of June Helde

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In memory of our parents, the Blombergs
and the Hendricksons

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In memory of our parents

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To the Honor and Glory of God

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To the Honor and Glory of God

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To the Honor and Glory of God

John Valiton & Donna Cowan Valiton

In memory of our parents and siblings



Thank you to those who made donations in memory of family and loved ones, and to the Honor and Glory of God. Thank you to Donna Bergeron & Jenny Ruegamer for decorating the sanctuary. It looks stunning! And thank you to Amy Sigmar for the outdoor decorations. They look stunning as well! Thank you to anyone I might have missed!

Servants Schedule for Upcoming Dates

Assisting Minister

Dec 26 — Valinda Morse

Jan 2 — Mark Johnson

Lector

Dec 26 — Valinda Morse

Jan 2 — Mark Johnson

Altar Preparation

Dec 26 — Caroline Alabach & Jeanne Moussette

Jan 2 — Ronnie Beckerleg & Kay Kurtzweg

Counters

Dec 26 — TBD

Jan 2 — TBD

Coffee Hour Hosts

Dec 26 — Congregation brings leftovers

Jan 2 — TBD

Ushers

Dec 26 — Cliff Kurtzweg & Mike Olden

Jan 2 — Rob Rowan & Noah Wittner

*Merry Christmas
from the MLC Staff!!*

Mara

Ann

Pastor

Kevin

Nancy



This Week at MLC

Friday, December 24, Christmas Eve

5pm Worship Service
8pm AA Speakers Meeting
10:00pm Live Stream Greeting

Saturday, December 25, CHRISTMAS

Sunday, December 26

8:15am Worship Service
10am Worship Service

Tuesday, December 28

10:30am In person bible study

Wednesday, December 29

9am Zoom bible study

Thursday, December 30

9am-5pm Tai Chi—Luther Hall

Friday, December 31

8pm AA Speakers Meeting

The Christmas Story

by Leanne Guenther

Once upon a time,
A long, long time ago.
Begins the story of a baby,
That most of you should know.

His daddy's name was Joseph,
And Mary was His mom,
This babe was very special
He was God's only Son.

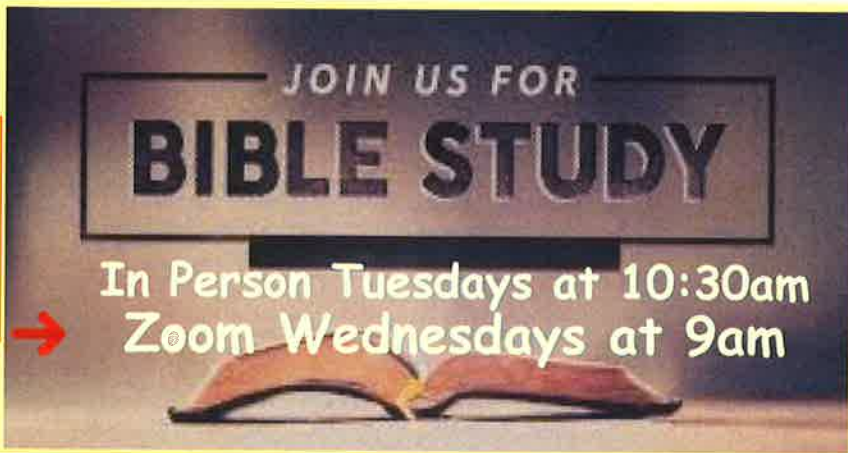
Some angels came from heaven,
And they began to sing.
To the shepherds in the fields below,
"Glad tidings do we bring!"

A bright star lit the heavens,
To light the magi's way,
To the baby in the manger
Who was born on Christmas day.

And all who gathered round Him,
Rejoiced and praised His birth.
For the babe, the King, named Jesus,
Is our Saviour here on earth!



NEW TIME!



Please Remember In Prayer

- Linda Kellenberger
- Dave Larson
- Don Goertzen
- Erika Simonson
- Family of Bob McIntosh
- Pauline McIntosh
- 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)
- Kathi Galletly (friend of the Torellis)
- Jonathan Drugge (son of friends of Kay Thoreson)
- Family of Don Westergaard (brother of Irene Long)
- Family of David Hoffman (friend of PK's friend)
- Family of Elsie Simon
- Karen Jones (friend of Lance Grimsby)



Making Music At MLC

Do you like to sing? Join the Choir! The start date for choir is up in the air right now, however, if you are interested in joining speak with our awesome Music Director, Ann Simonson, or email her at ajsi-mo@comcast.net. Singing is fun and good for you!

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. Bell choir practices on Wednesdays at 5:15pm unless otherwise noted!



QUILTERS AND HAND WORK GROUPS

The handwork group began meeting again on December 2nd at Valinda Morse's house. The next meeting will be on January 27th at 1pm at Ronnie Beckerleg's.

Thank you for all of the donations for the quilting group but right now they are not accepting any more donations.

Crochet



Needlepoint



Knit



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

8:15 am — 10
10:00 am — 53

PLEASE NOTE!

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



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 November, 2021

*Income — \$ 295,807

Expenses—\$ 296,112

*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



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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 (5PM SERVICE)

Assisting Minister — Mark Johnson

Lector — Mark Johnson

Flute — Olivia Simonson

Ushers — Noah Wittner

Altar Guild — Nancy Searle

Coffee Hour Host(s) — No Coffee Hour Christmas Eve

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.

