

MAGNOLIA LUTHERAN CHURCH

MARCH 17, 2024



IF A SEED DIES, IT BEARS MUCH FRUIT

—John 12:24

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Lent 5

March 17, 2024

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

O Lamm Gottes (a)

Johan Pachelbel

GATHERING HYMN

O Holy Spirit Enter In

#786 ELW



1 O Ho - ly Spir - it, en - ter in, and in our hearts your
2 Left to our - selves, we sure - ly stray; oh, lead us on the
3 O might - y Rock, O Source of life, let your good Word in



work be - gin, and make our hearts your dwell - ing. Sun of the soul,
nar - row way, with wis - est coun - sel guide us; and give us stead -
doubt and strife be in us strong - ly burn - ing, that we be faith -



O Light di - vine, a - round and in us bright - ly shine, your strength
fast - ness, that we may fol - low you for - ev - er free, no mat -
ful un - to death and live in love and ho - ly faith, from you



in us up - well - ing. In your ra - diance life from heav - en now is
ter who de - rides us. Gent - ly heal those hearts now bro - ken; give some
true wis - dom learn - ing. Lord, your mer - cy on us show - er; by your



giv - en o - ver - flow - ing, gift of gifts be - yond all know - ing.
to - ken you are near us, whom we trust to light and cheer us.
pow - er Christ con - fess - ing, we will cher - ish all your bless - ing.

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.**

THIS IS THE FEAST

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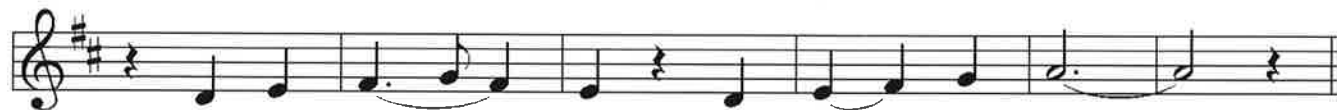
I: Women II: Men



☐ This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



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Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



☐ Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo - ple of God. **☐** Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.



☐ This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



☐ Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and join in the hymn of



all cre - a - tion: **☐** Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and



might to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men

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☩ This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
I
II For the Lamb, the Lamb who was slain has be -
gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.
☩ This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le -
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. A - men

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, with steadfast love you draw us to yourself, and in mercy you receive our prayers. Strengthen us to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit, that through life and death we may live in 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: Jeremiah 31:31-34

³¹The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³²It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they

shall be my people. ³⁴No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the LORD,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

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

SECOND READING: Hebrews 5:5-10

⁵Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

“You are my Son,
today I have begotten you”;


⁶as he says also in another place,

“You are a priest forever,
according to the order of Melchizedek.”

⁷In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. ⁸Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; ⁹and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, ¹⁰having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL: John 12:20-33

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

²⁰Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. ²¹They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus.”

²²Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. ²³Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. ²⁴Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears

much fruit. ²⁵Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. ²⁶Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

²⁷“Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—‘Father, save me from this hour’? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. ²⁸Father, glorify your name.” Then a voice came from heaven, “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” ²⁹The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, “An angel has spoken to him.” ³⁰Jesus answered, “This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. ³¹Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. ³²And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.” ³³He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

After the reading: Praise to you, O Christ!

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

SERMON

HYMN

O Christ the Same

#760 ELW



1 O Christ the same, through all our sto - ry's pag - es,
 2 O Christ the same, the friend of sin - ners, shar - ing
 3 O Christ the same, se - cure with - in whose keep - ing



our loves and hopes, our fail - ures and our fears;
 our in - most thoughts, the se - crets none can hide,
 our lives and loves, our days and years re - main,



e - ter - nal Lord, the king of all the a - ges,
 still as of old up - on your bod - y bear - ing
 our work and rest, our wak - ing and our sleep - ing,



un - chang - ing still a - mid the pass - ing years:
 the marks of love, in tri - umph glo - ri - fied:
 our calm and storm, our plea - sure and our pain:

O liv - ing Word, the source of all cre - a - tion,
 O Son of Man, who stooped for us from heav - en,
 O Lord of love, for all our joys and sor - rows,

who spread the skies, and set the stars a - blaze,
 O Prince of life, in all your sav - ing pow'r,
 for all our hopes, when earth shall fade and flee,

O Christ the same, who wrought our whole sal - va - tion,
 O Christ the same, to whom our hearts are giv - en,
 O Christ the same, be - yond our brief to - mor - rows,

we bring our thanks for all our yes - ter - days.
 we bring our thanks for this the pres - ent hour.
 we bring our thanks for all that is to be.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Hear us O God. **Your mercy is great.**

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Offering Music O Lamm Gottes Johann Sebastian Bach

Offertory singing Let the Vineyards Setting 4, WOV

Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, fill to the brim our

cup of bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown,

that we may be fed, we may be fed with the bread of life.
 Gath-er the hopes and the dreams of all; u-nite them with the
 prayers we of-fer now. Grace our ta-ble with your pres-ence,
 and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving

P The Lord be with you. **C** And al-so with you.
P Lift up your hearts. **C** We lift them to the Lord.
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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:

C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

Lord God of pow'r and might, heav-en and earth are
 full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Bless - ed, bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the
 Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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

Singing during Communion

Lamb of God

♩ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
 have mer-cy on us, have mer-cy on us, have mer - cy.
 Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;

have mer-cy on us, have mer-cy on us, have mer - cy.

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMN

As the Grains of Wheat

#465 ELW

Refrain

As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were

gath-ered in - to one to be - come our bread; so may all your peo-ple from

all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.

1 As this cup of bless - ing is shared with - in our midst,
2 Let this be a fore - taste of all that is to come when

may we share the pres - ence of your love.
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

WE ARE SENT OUT TO LOVE

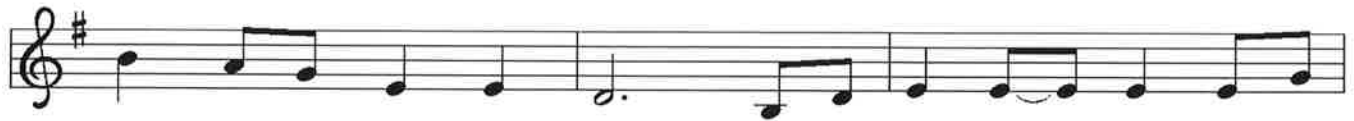
SENDING BLESSING

SENDING HYMN

Canticle of the Turning

#723 ELW

1 My soul cries out with a joy - ful shout that the
2 Though I am small, my . . . God, my all, you . . .
3 From the halls of pow'r to the for - tress tow'r, not a
4 Though the na - tions rage from . . . age to age, we re -



God of my heart is great, and my spir - it sings of the
 work great . . things in me, and your mer - cy will last from the
 stone will be left on stone. Let the king be - ware for your
 mem - ber who holds us fast: God's mer - cy must de -



won - drous things that you bring to the ones who wait.
 depths of the past to the end of the age to be.
 jus - tice tears ev - 'ry ty - rant . . . from his throne.
 liv - er us from the con - quer - or's crush - ing grasp.



You fixed your sight on your ser - vant's plight, and my
 Your ver - y name puts the proud to shame, and to
 The hun - gry poor shall . . weep no more, for the
 This sav - ing word that our fore - bears heard is the



weak - ness you did not spurn, so from east to west shall my
 those who would for you yearn, you will show your might, put the
 food they can nev - er earn; there are ta - bles spread, ev - 'ry
 prom - ise which holds us bound, till the spear and rod can be



name be blest. Could the world be a - bout to turn?
 strong to flight, for the world is a - bout to turn.
 mouth be fed, for the world is a - bout to turn.
 crushed by God, who is turn - ing the world a - round.



Refrain

My heart shall sing of the day you bring. Let the fires of your jus - tice burn.



Wipe a - way all tears, for the dawn draws near, and the world is a - bout to turn.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace! Serve your neighbor! **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE

O Lamm gottes (b)

Johan Pachelbel

Servants Schedule for Upcoming Dates

Assisting Minister

March 24 — Thom Eaton
 March 31 — Valinda Morse

Lector

March 24 — Grace Baker
 March 31 — Valinda Morse

Altar Preparation

March 24 — Ronnie Beckerleg & Kay Kurtzweg
 March 31 — Caroline Alabach & Jeanne Moussette

Counters

March 24 — Noah Wittner
 March 31 — John Valiton

Coffee Hour Hosts

March 24 — Kimberly & Nick Milham
 March 31 — Easter—Fellowship Committee

Ushers

March 24 — Cliff Kurtzweg & Mike Olden
 March 31 — Cliff Kurtzweg & Mike Olden

This Week at MLC

Sunday, March 17, St. Patrick's Day

8:15am Worship Service
 8:30am Atrium
 10am Worship Service



Tuesday, March 19

9am Bible Study, Zoom
 9am Quilting
 7pm Magnolia Big Band

Thursday, March 21

10am Knitting/Handwork Group
 Libraay
 7-9pm AA, Fireside Room

Friday, March 22

8pm AA Speakers Meeting,

Saturday, March 23

9am—noon Magnolia Pea Patch, Luther Hall

Sunday, March 24 Palm Sunday

8:15am Worship Service
 8:30am Atrium
 10am Worship Service



ALTAR FLOWERS

Every Saturday Ballard Blossom delivers a beautiful bouquet of flowers to put at the bottom of the cross in the sanctuary for Sunday's service.

Have an anniversary coming up, or a birthday? Graduation? If so, consider sponsoring the flowers one Sunday. You will receive a mention in the bulletin. You may even request special colors or types of flowers which they will accommodate, assuming they are in season. The cost is \$75. There are no flowers during Lent but you can still sign up for any of the Sundays following!



QUILTING INFO & A THANK YOU!

Tuesday is quilting day at MLC. We meet from 9:00 - 12:00, but come when you can and leave when you must. Most Tuesdays are spent matching tops to back covers. On the last Tuesday of each month we bring them all together to be hand tied. If you can thread a needle and use a pair of scissors you will be welcomed with open arms and a cup of coffee. If you have questions, please talk to Susan Dively or Valinda Morse. You may also contact the church office.

QUILTING IS BACK!

THANK YOU to whomever recently made a generous donation. It was used to purchase needles, scissors, seam rippers, thread, etc. The quilting group is funded by donations only.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AT MLC

There are many volunteer opportunities at Magnolia Lutheran. If you are interested in helping with any of the following, please contact Pastor Kevin or MLC's parish administrator, Nancy.

Usher/Closing—Hand out bulletins, direct people to the front for communion and pass the offering plate. Two weeks in a row, approximately every 4 weeks or so. Locking down the building after the coffee hour is also the usher's responsibility.

Counter—Work with the parish administrator to count and document the incoming cash and checks after the 10am service. Generally you would be needed one or two times a month.

Altar Guild—Prepare the altar for communion before and after the 8:15am services. Help with holiday decorations and help polish the brass once or twice a year.

Lector—Read the lessons on Sundays at the 10am service.

Assisting Minister—Assist Pastor Kevin with running the service. Help with communion, read the prayers of the people, etc. PK will guide you.

Sound—Running the sound board and getting the mics out for Pastor Kevin and the assisting minister. Monitor the sound during the 10am service.

Live Stream—MLC live streams the 10am service. This is probably the most pressing volunteer position to fill. **We currently only have one person to do the sound and the live stream so we really need volunteers for these two jobs.**



Please Remember In Prayer

Donna Hegstrom
Dave Larson
Family of Don Goertzen
Family of Bob McIntosh
Family of Pauline McIntosh
Gail Hendrickson
Kelly and Linda Kellenberger
Heidi Carpine
Rick Dagg (friend of the Nagys)
Family of Susan Engquist (sister of
Jennifer Kroeger, aunt to Katherine and
Kasey Kroeger).
Sandy Bennis
Frank Edmondson
Karla Lefferson
Merlin Cavender
Kathleen Rowan
Beverly Larson
Josh Kelly
Andrew Tucker
Bryce Yerkes (friend of the Longs)
Family of Jane Stockert (friend of the Backmans)
Stacy Sipes and family
Gary Engle
Bill & Liz Biscomb (Victoria Watson's parents)

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..

SOME THINGS HAPPENING AT MAGNOLIA LUTHERAN

INNER CALM

- A Christian Meditation for Health and Well-Being
- An online experience of prayer
- Weekly meetings, Tuesdays at 7pm

OUR PLAN FOR A NEW MUSIC DIRECTOR

The Council is working on defining the scope of the job description for the new musician. Once the job description is approved, it will be posted and circulated. A task force from our church will interview musicians and make a recommendation to the Council. The Council will then extend an offer letter to the identified candidate.

INTERESTED IN SHAPING YOUR CHURCH'S FUTURE?

The nominating committee is looking for individuals to nominate to serve on MLC's congregational council, and wants to hear from you! If you are a member of MLC and potentially interested, please reach out to Serena (shrenalee@gmail.com) for more information.

NEW!

LOOK!

ART AND FAITH: OUR LENTEN JOURNEY

Come along and let your faith encounter art – and let art encounter your faith. Discussions will happen online on Wednesday evenings. Field Trips will happen in person at local art museums. Be sure to catch the class: The Art at Magnolia Lutheran Church. Look at your weekly updates for a schedule of events!



WestSide Baby
basics for children in need



The Great
Diaper Drive

**Local
Babies
Need
Your
Help**

LOOK!

DIAPER DRIVE

MLC has made a monetary donation of \$200 to WestSide Baby but we are still collecting diapers and baby wipes throughout Lent. Diapers are a must for Mom's, babies and toddlers. Unfortunately, some families cannot afford even the basic needs for their children.

There are some baskets set up in the Narthex to put the donated diapers in. All sizes are needed, babies through toddlers. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

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:

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Financial Update

As of January 31, 2024

*Income — \$ 35,896

Expenses—\$ 32,636

*Includes some prepaid pledges



Congregation Council 2022-2023

Council Officers:

President -- Lyle Morse
Vice President -- Megan Hamshar
Secretary -- Robert Bergeron
Treasurer -- Dwight Dively
Financial Secretary -- Alice Pease

Council members:

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

Audit Committee

Victoria Watson (2024)

Columbarium Committee

Robert Bergeron (2025)

Fellowship Committee

TBD

Finance Committee

Shane Ruegamer (2024)

Nominating Committee

TBD

Personnel Committee

Kay Thoreson (2024)

Property Committee

Johnny Searle (2025)

Social Action Committee

Shane Ruegamer (2024)

Lyle Morse (2025)

Stewardship Committee

All Council

Worship & Music Committee

Kay Thoreson (2024)

Faith Formation

Cynthia Ubilla



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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—There will be no flowers during Lent.

SERVANTS TODAY

Musician — Cara Peterson

Assisting Minister — Noah Wittner

Lector — Noah Wittner

Ushers — Amy & Thor Sigmar

Altar Guild — Ronnie Beckerleg & Kay Kurtzweg

Counter — Ralph Hendrickson

Audio— Johnny Searle

Live Stream—Aaron Stevens/Carson Ruegamer

Coffee Hour Host(s) — Lance Grimsby

Pastor — Kevin Bates

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.

