## MAGNOLIA LUTHERAN CHURCH JANUARY 23, 2022



WHEN HE CAME TO NAZARETH, WHERE HE HAD BEEN BROUGHT UP, HE WENT TO THE SYNAGOGUE...

—Luke 4:16

## WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Epiphany 3

January 23, 2022

## WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE

O Christ, Our True and Only Light

A.W. Leupold

**GATHERING HYMN** 

Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

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- 1 Oh, for a thou-sand tongues to sing my great Re-deem er's praise,
- 2 My gra cious Mas ter and my God, as sist me to pro claim,
- 3 The name of Je sus charms our fears and bids our sor rows cease,
- 4 He speaks, and lis-t'ning to his voice, new life the dead re-ceive;



the glo - ries of my God and king, the tri-umphs of his grace! to spread through all the earth a - broad the hon - ors of your name. sings mu - sic in the sin-ner's ears, brings life and health and peace, the mourn - ful, bro-ken hearts re - joice, the hum - ble poor be - lieve.

- 5 Look unto him, your Savior own,O fallen human race!Look and be saved through faith alone,be justified by grace!
- 6 To God all glory, praise, and love be now and ever giv'n by saints below and saints above, the church in earth and heav'n.

### 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

Blessed Lord God, you have caused the holy scriptures to be written for the nourishment of your people. Grant that we may hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that, comforted by your promises, we may embrace and forever hold fast to the hope of eternal life, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

FIRST READING: Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

All the people [of Israel] gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the LORD your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our LORD; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD is your strength."

Holy Words. Holy Wisdom. Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

"Holeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. "If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. "And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the

body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, I have no need of you. On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it.

Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts.

Holy Words. Holy Wisdom. Thanks be to God.

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



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

#### GOSPEL: Luke 4:14-21

Before the reading: Glory to you, O Lord!

<sup>14</sup>Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. <sup>15</sup>He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

<sup>16</sup>When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, <sup>17</sup> and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

<sup>18</sup>"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,

because he has anointed me

to bring good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives

and recovery of sight to the blind,

to let the oppressed go free,

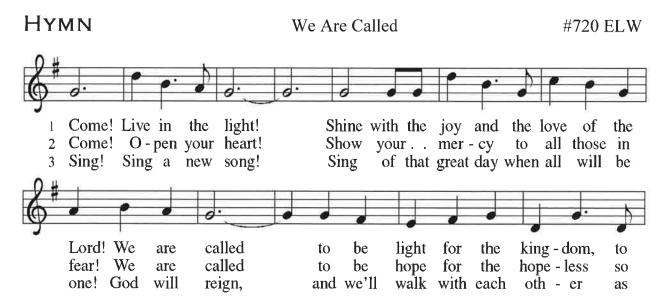
<sup>19</sup>to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

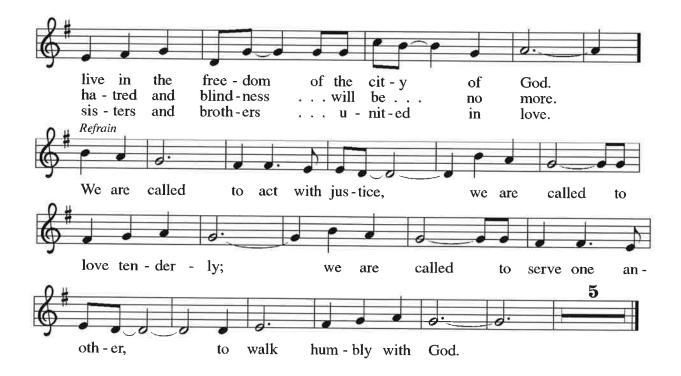
<sup>20</sup>And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. <sup>21</sup>Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

After the reading: Praise to you, O Christ.

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

#### SERMON





#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God of grace, hear our prayer.

### SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### OFFERING

There will be no passing of the plate. Please place your offering in the plate at the back of the sanctuary.

### 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, 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.

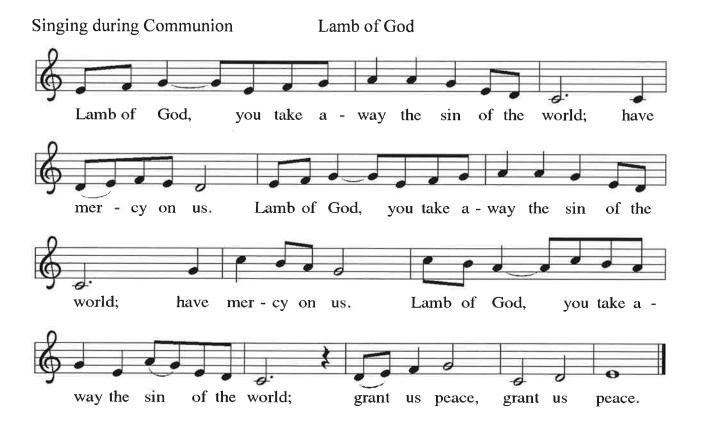
#### The Distribution

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.





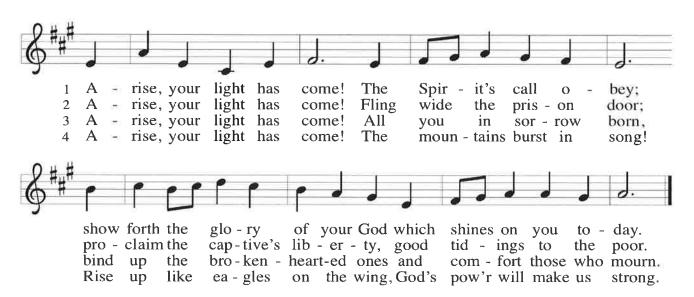
WE ARE SENT OUT TO LOVE

SENDING BLESSING

#### SENDING HYMN

Arise, Your Light Has Come

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DISMISSAL

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

Thanks Be to God!

POSTLUDE

O Zion, Haste

Mark Sedio

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### SERVANT'S SCHEDULE

#### **Assisting Minister**

Jan 30 — Kimberly Milham

Feb 6 — TBD

#### Lector

Jan 30 — Caroline Alabach

Feb 6 — TBD

#### **Altar Preparation**

Jan 30 — Caroline Alabach & Jeanne

Moussette

Feb 6 — Caroline & Jeanne

#### Counters

Jan 30 — Ralph Hendrickson

Feb 6 — John Valiton

#### **Coffee Hour Hosts**

No In Person Coffee Hour Until Further Notice

#### Ushers

Jan 30 — Cliff Kurtzweg & Mike Olden

Feb 6 — Cliff Kurtzweg & Mike Olden



## VIRTUAL COFFEE HOUR MOVED BACK TO 11:30AM

Since MLC won't be holding in person coffee hours for an undetermined amount of time, the virtual coffee hour will be moving back to 11:30am. That should let everyone get home in time to login! Even if you don't make it on time, jump on anyway! The more the merrier!

#### This Week at MLC

#### Sunday, January 23, 2022

8:15am Worship Service 10am Worship Service

### Tuesday, January 25

10:30am Bible Study, in person 7pm Magnolia Big Band

#### Wednesday, January 26

9am Bible Study, Zoom

7pm Singing with Ann is back!

#### Friday, January 28

8pm AA Speakers Meeting

#### Sunday, January 30

8:15am Worship Service Worship Service

#### **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**

Save the date! February 6th will be our first congregational meeting of the year. It will take place via Zoom at 1:00pm. We need a quorum so please sign up to let us know that you will be attending. If you haven't already done so, there is a sign up sheet in the Narthex. Children who have been confirmed may also participate.



## WOMEN OF THE ELCA VIRTUAL HAPPY HOUR-NEW DAYS AND TIMES!

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. The first meeting back was such a success, the group has decided on every two weeks! The first and third Tuesday of the month at 7pm. Watch your inboxes for reminders!!



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If you've been in church recently, you probably received a handout pertaining to a trip that MLC is planning to the Navajo Lutheran Mission in Rock Point, Arizona next Summer. If you didn't receive one last Sunday, hopefully you got one today! If not, please see Parish Administrator, Nancy, and she will make sure you get a copy! The trip is open to everyone and will be a great opportunity to see how your donations are being used. The goal is to make sure everyone who wishes to go, can, regardless of financial situations that might otherwise keep you from going. Stay tuned for more information!

#### NEED A GOOD BOOK TO READ?

Over the summer months we have received many quality reads for our Free Library.

Please peruse the offering and feel free to take any book for your pleasure. We also ask that you donate used books when you have gleaned from them insights into your life. There is no cost... just an opportunity to read excellent books. You are encouraged to return them after you have finished reading.

## SPONSORS FOR ALTAR FLOWERS NEEDED

Please consider sponsoring the flowers that you see on the altar each week. It's a great way to celebrate an anniversary or birthday, or to honor/remember a loved one. Or they can just be to the Glory of God. The flowers are \$75. Your name and whatever occasion they are for will be mentioned in that Sunday's bulletin. The sign up sheet for altar flowers is outside the office door.



### SINGING WITH ANN RETURNS!

If you miss singing, check out: "Singing With Ann". It happens on Zoom so you can see the others who are participating, however, you can't hear them and they can't hear you! A link will be sent out soon for January 26th!

WEDNESDAYS AT 7PM!

#### 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!









#### **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 ajsimo@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 practice is over until further notice.



### **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.

Needlepoint









### Please Remember In Prayer

Linda Kellenberger
Dave Larson
Don Goertzen
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 David Hoffman (friend of PK's friend)

Family of Elsie Simon

Karen Jones (friend of Lance Grimsby)

Yuri Sunbury

Gail Hendrickson

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 — 7 10:00 am — 27

## 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

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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 As of December, 2021

\*Income — \$ 372,027 Expenses—\$ 324,669 \*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 by Linda and Kelly Kellenberger.

#### SERVANTS TODAY

Assisting Minister — Thom Eaton
Lector — Thom Eaton
Ushers - Amy & Thor Sigmar
Altar Guild — Amy Sigmar
Audio — Johnny Searle
Live Stream — Evan Kelly
Counters — Noah Wittner
Coffee Hour Host(s) — No Coffee Hour

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.

