

*Magnolia Lutheran Church
Palm Sunday*



April 2, 2023

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

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WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

All who wish may gather in the Narthex. Bulletins and Palm Branches will be handed out by the ushers.

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.**

PROCESSIONAL GOSPEL: Matthew 21:1-11

Before the reading: Glory to you, O Lord!

¹When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, ²saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. ³If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." ⁴This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying,

⁵"Tell the daughter of Zion,
Look, your king is coming to you,
humble, and mounted on a donkey,
and on a colt, the foal of a donkey."

⁶The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; ⁷they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. ⁸A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting,

"Hosanna to the Son of David!
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!
Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

¹⁰When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" ¹¹The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

After the reading: Praise to you, O Christ.

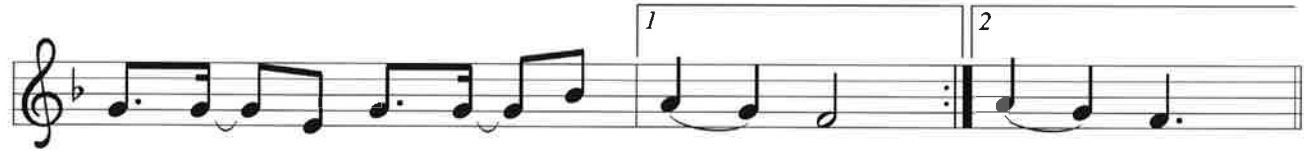
Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

PROCESSION



*Je - sus is com - ing. Pave the way with branch - es.



Je - sus is com - ing. Ho - san - na. san - na.



Ho - san - na, Je - sus is com - ing. Ho -



san - na to the Prince of peace. Prince of peace.

**Additional verses ad lib.:*

Release for the captives . . .
 Hope for the downtrod . . .
 Land for the landless . . .
 Debts are forgiven . . .

A BLESSING OF THE PALMS

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!

It is right to give our thanks and praise!

We praise and thank you O God, for your great acts of love. For on this day he entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph and was hailed King of kings by those who scattered their garments and branches of palms in his path.

We raise our palm branches

Bless these branches and those who bear them, and grant that we may ever hail him as our Lord and King. Guide our steps through this holy week that we may follow him in confidence; through the same Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Everlasting God, in your endless love for the human race you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross. In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

NEW TESTAMENT READING: Philippians 2:5-11

⁵Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

⁶who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God
as something to be exploited,

⁷but emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form,

⁸he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death—
even death on a cross.

⁹Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name

that is above every name,

¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bend,

in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

¹¹and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

The word of the life! **Thanks be to God!**

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

HOMILY

Pastor Kevin Bates

HYMN:

One Bread, One Body

#496 ELW

Refrain

One bread, one bod-y, one Lord of all; one cup of

bless-ing which we bless, and we, though man-y

through-out the earth, we are one bod - y in this one Lord.

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|---|------------|-------------|--------------|------------|
| 1 | Gen - tile | or Jew, | ser - vant | or free, |
| 2 | Man - y | the gifts, | man - y | the works, |
| 3 | Grain for | the fields, | scat - tered | and grown, |

wom - an	or man,	no	more.
one in	the Lord	of	all.
gath - ered	to one	for	all.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Merciful God, receive our prayer.

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Offering Music

Jesus Paid it All

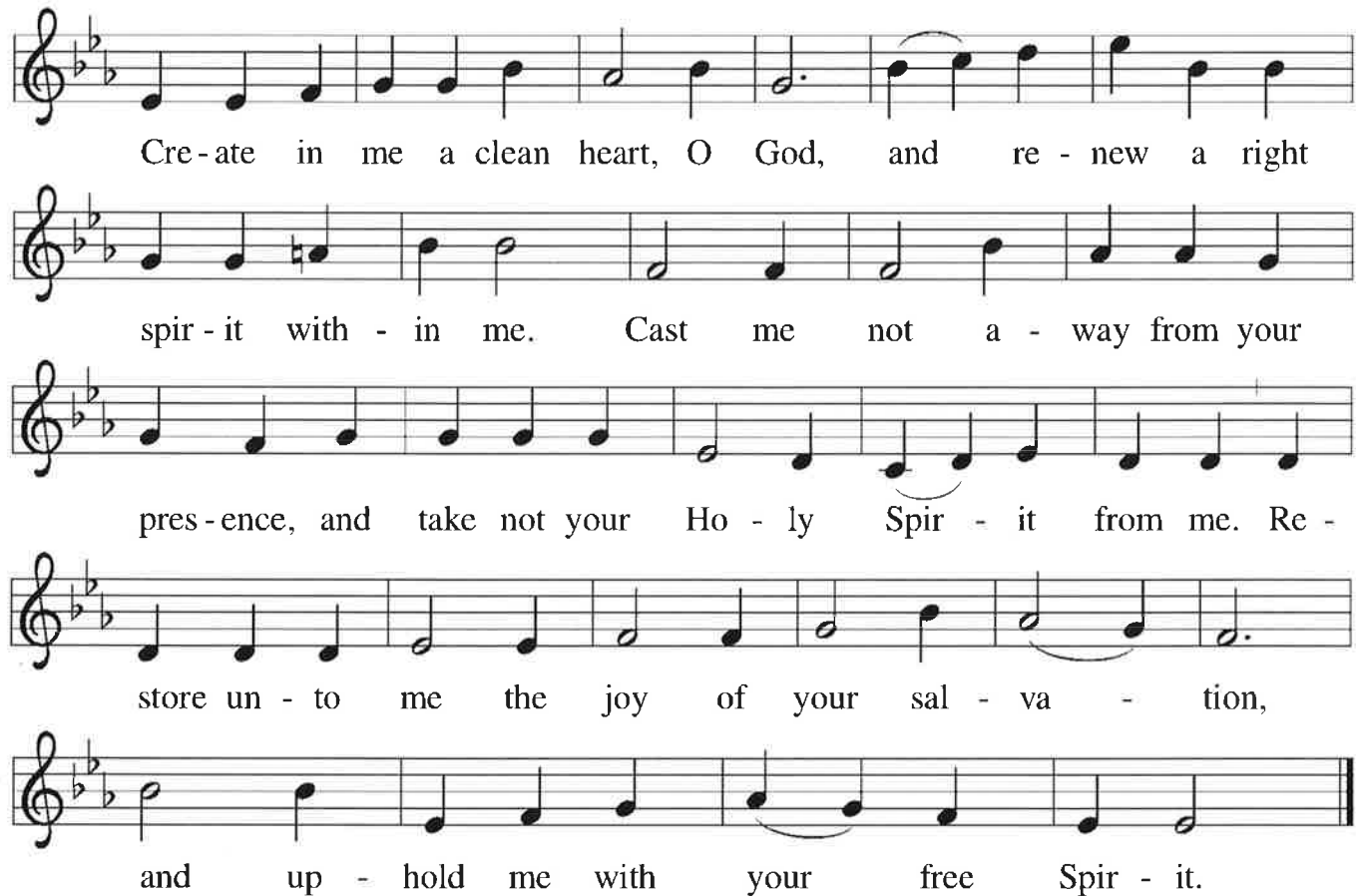
Douglas Wagner

Offertory Hymn

Create in Me a Clean Heart

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CELEBRATING HOLY COMMUNION



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your
pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re -
store un - to me the joy of your sal - va - tion,
and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

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.**

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:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,



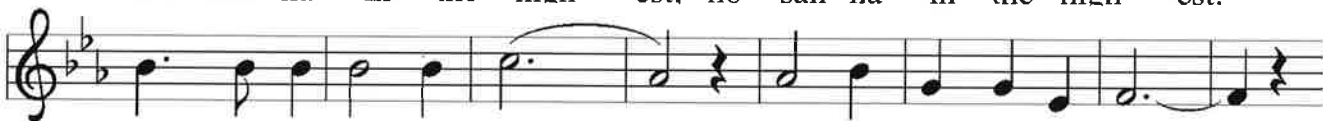
ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,



heav-en and earth are full, full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na in the high - est, 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

- *We trust in Christ's love and that Christ is present in this meal. 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. At Magnolia Lutheran Church, we receive communion by intinction, which is the practice of dipping the bread into the chalice.*
- *Children are welcome at the Table. We invite parents to decide the best time for their children to receive communion. The pastor is available for a home visits and conversation about communion. Children who do not receive the bread and wine are invited to receive a blessing.*

Distribution

Lamb of God

Je - sus, Lamb of God, have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins, have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world,

grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMN

Taste and See

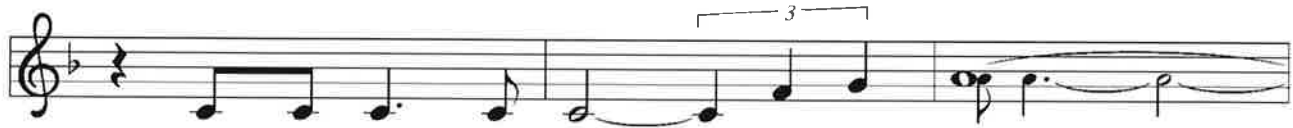
#493 ELW

Refrain - All

Taste and see, taste and see the good-ness of the Lord. Oh,

taste and see, taste and see the good-ness of the Lord, of the Lord.

Leader or All



1 I will bless the Lord at all times.
 2 Glo - ri - fy the Lord with . . . me.
 3 Wor - ship . . . the Lord, all you peo - ple.



Praise shall al - ways be on my lips;
 To - geth - er let us all praise God's name.
 You'll want for noth - ing . . . if you ask.



my soul shall glo - ry in the Lord;
 I called the Lord, . . who an - swered me;
 Taste and see . . . that the Lord is good;

Refrain



for God has been so good to me.
 from all my trou - bles I was set free.
 in God we need put all our trust.

Here is Bread

#483 ELW



1 Here is bread, here is wine, Christ is with us,
 2 Here is grace, here is peace, Christ is with us,
 3 Here we are, joined in one, Christ is with us,



he is with us. Break the bread, taste the wine,
 he is with us. Know his grace, find his peace,
 he is with us. We'll pro - claim till he comes

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Christ is with us here.
feast on Je - sus here.
Je - sus cru - ci - fied.

In this bread there is heal - ing, in this cup is
life for - ev - er. In this mo - ment, by the Spir - it,

Christ is with us here.

WE ARE SENT OUT IN LOVE

THE PASSION OF OUR LORD, According to Matthew

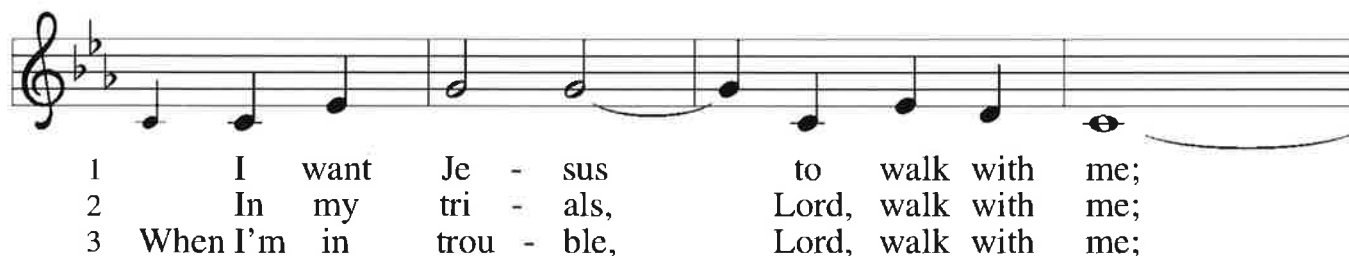
Pamphlets for this Gospel reading can be found in the pew racks.

SENDING BLESSING

SENDING HYMN

I Want Jesus to Walk With Me

#325 ELW



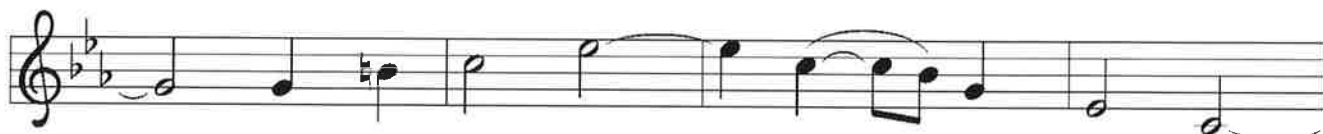
1 I want Je - sus to walk with me;
2 In my tri - als, Lord, walk with me;
3 When I'm in trou - ble, Lord, walk with me;

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I want Je - sus to walk with me;
in my tri - als, Lord, walk with me;
when I'm in trou - ble, Lord, walk with me;



all a - long my pil - grim jour - ney,
when my heart is al - most break - ing,
when my head is bowed in sor - row,



Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.
Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.
Lord, I want Je - sus to walk with me.

DISMISSAL

Go in Peace! Live and serve in Love! Thanks be to God!

Servants Schedule for Upcoming Dates

Assisting Minister

April 9 — Serena Severance

April 16 — Kimberly Milham

Lector

April 9 — Serena Severance

April 16 — Jeanne Moussette

Altar Preparation

April 9 — Ronnie Beckerleg & Kay Kurtzweg

April 16 — Ronnie Beckerleg & Kay Kurtzweg

Counters

April 9 — John Valiton

April 16 — Noah Wittner

Coffee Hour Hosts

April 9 — Easter—Fellowship

April 16 — TBD

Ushers

April 9 — Cliff Kurtzweg & Mike Olden

April 16 — Cliff Kurtzweg & Mike Olden



This Week at MLC

Sunday, April 2, Palm Sunday

8:15am Worship Service

9am Atrium

10am Worship Service

12:30pm-4pm Tai Chi, Luther Hall

Tuesday, April 4

9am Bible Study, Zoom

7pm Healing Service, in person

7pm Magnolia Big Band

Wednesday, April 5

4pm Confirmation

5:15pm Bell Choir Rehearsal

7pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, April 6, Maundy Thursday

12pm Maundy Thursday Service

7pm Maundy Thursday Service

7-9pm AA, Fireside Room

Friday, April 7, Good Friday

12pm Good Friday Service

7pm Good Friday Service

8pm AA Speakers Meeting, L/H

Sunday, April 9, Easter Sunday

8am Easter Worship!!

9:00am **NO Atrium**

10am Worship Service

FORTY DAYS OF GIVING

Once again this year we are asking for hygiene kits for both West Side Baby and Compass Housing Alliance. As you are able, please bring the following items (listed below) and place them in the bins in the Narthex. These items are so minor, but they are needed and appreciated by those who struggle for the basic hygiene necessities.

ITEMS NEEDED FOR THE KITS:

Compass Housing Alliance

Toothbrushes & Toothpaste

Deodorant

Shampoo & Conditioner (**unscented if possible**)

Socks (**calf-height or thick wool**)

Men's Underwear (**sizes XL - 4X**)

WestSide Baby

Infant tooth brushes & Toothpaste

Baby Shampoo

Baby wipes

Diapers and/or Pull Ups (**all sizes**)

Thank you in advance for your generosity!

The Social Action Committee



NEW! *Healing* **LOOK!**
SERVICE

**TUESDAY, APRIL 4TH AT 7PM
IN PERSON**

On April 4th, (Tuesday of Holy Week) you are invited to gather in the sanctuary for a Healing Service. This worship service begins at 7pm.

This ancient service has roots in first century Christianity. It will include music, prayer and anointing with oil.

We have all endured hardships during COVID. And the pandemic is slowing, we gather in hope to bring our bruises, wounds and scars to the One-Who-Makes-All-Things-New.

Please feel free to bring your friends and/or neighbor. As always, all are welcome!

EASTER SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday—TODAY!
Regular service times

Maundy Thursday—Thursday, April 6
Services at noon and 7pm

Good Friday—Friday, April 7
Services at noon and 7pm

EASTER SUNDAY—Sunday, April 9th
Services at 8am and 10am
please note that it's 8am, not 8:15am



**Please Remember
In Prayer**

- Donna Hegstrom
- Dave Larson
- Family of Don Goertzen
- Family of Bob McIntosh
- Pauline McIntosh
- Gail Hendrickson
- Kelly and Linda Kellenberger
- Heidi Carpine
- Maxwell Penn and family (relative of the Ramseys)
- Rick Dagg (friend of the Nagys)
- Family of Dennis Branstetter (friend of the Nagys)
- Long Pham (friend of the Nagys)
- Family of Susan Engquist (sister of Jennifer Kroeger, aunt to Katherine and Kasey Kroeger).
- Sandy Bennis
- Matt Becker (friend of Lance Grimsby)
- Russ Long
- Edna Grolla (friend of Irene Long)
- Janice Stepp (friend 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 — 11
10am — 67**



LAST CHANCE!

EASTER DECORATIONS

Members and friends of Magnolia Lutheran Church are invited to give donations to support decorating the sanctuary during our Easter season. The suggested donation is \$12, and may be given in memory of or in honor of loved ones, or to the honor and glory of God. These memorials will be printed in our Easter Sunday bulletin if received by **TODAY, Sunday, April 2nd**.

You will find an insert in your bulletin. Please complete the form and return it with your check to the church office, or place it in the offering plate. Please make the check payable to Magnolia Lutheran Church.

Progressive Dinner



The Progressive Dinner is scheduled for June 24th this year. We've received enough surveys back to determine that **the dinner will go on!!**

UPDATE:

We had an overwhelming response to the survey sent out regarding the dinner—Thank you to all that responded and to those who have volunteered to host or bring food/drinks!

Sign up sheets will be available in the Narthex in April. More information to follow at a later date!

NEW!

EASTER PICTURES!

John Valiton used to be a photographer so he knows what he's doing! He has volunteered to be MLC's photographer on Easter Day. So put on your Easter best and have your picture taken in front of the beautifully decorated altar or outside, weather permitting. These will be casual snapshots that will be emailed to you so you may pick which ones you'd like to have printed.

The pictures will be taken between services. A few may be taken after the 10am service, however, we are trying to get the bulk of them done between the 8 and 10.

Please sign up by sending an email or calling Nancy, MLC's parish administrator.

parishadmin@magnolialutheranchurch.com
206-284-0155

SAY CHEESE!

LULLABY AND OTTO

Thank you to Sarah and Dreamland Ponies for allowing miniature donkeys Lullaby and Otto to join us today! Otto is Lullaby's eight month old son. Lullaby is also about to give birth again. It could have happened by the time you read this! If so, the baby is here, too! Check out their website. If you have any little girls who love ponies or unicorns...!!

www.dreamlandponies.com



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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

Financial Update

As of February 28, 2023

Income — \$ 57,529

Expenses—\$ 60,807

*Includes some prepaid pledges

Congregation Council 2022-2023

Council Officers:

President -- Robert Bergeron

Vice President -- Victoria Watson

Secretary -- Serena Severance

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

Kimberly Milham (2023)

Finance Committee

Serena Severance (2023)

Shane Ruegamer (2024)

Nominating Committee

Serena Severance (2023)

Outreach Committee

Olivia Massimiano (2023)

Personnel Committee

Kay Thoreson (2024)

Property Committee

Johnny Searle (2025)

Social Action Committee

Shane Ruegamer (2024)

Lyle Morse (2025)

Stewardship Committee

All Council

Women of the ELCA

Kimberly Milham (2023)

Serena Severance (2023)

Worship & Music Committee

Kay Thoreson (2024)

Faith Formation

Olivia Massimiano (2023)

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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

Assisting Minister — Mark Johnson
Lector — Mark Johnson
Ushers — Amy & Thor Sigmar
Altar Guild — Amy Sigmar
Counters — Ralph Hendrickson
Audio— Johnny Searle
Live Stream—Evan Kelly
Coffee Hour Host(s) — Ronnie Beckerleg

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.

