

# MAGNOLIA LUTHERAN CHURCH

September 13, 2020

10am



*Prelude*

Where Charity and Love Prevail

Robert Hobby

*Welcome and Introductions*

*Greeting*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ  
the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

*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.**

Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord. **Amen.**

*Prayer of the Day*

O Lord God, merciful judge, you are the inexhaustible fountain of  
forgiveness. Replace our hearts of stone with hearts that love and adore you,  
that we may delight in doing your will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and  
Lord. **Amen.**

*Scripture Readings*

**Reading:** Genesis 50:15-21

<sup>15</sup>Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" <sup>16</sup>So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, <sup>17</sup>'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. <sup>18</sup>Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." <sup>19</sup>But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? <sup>20</sup>Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. <sup>21</sup>So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

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

**Gospel:** Matthew 18:21-33

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

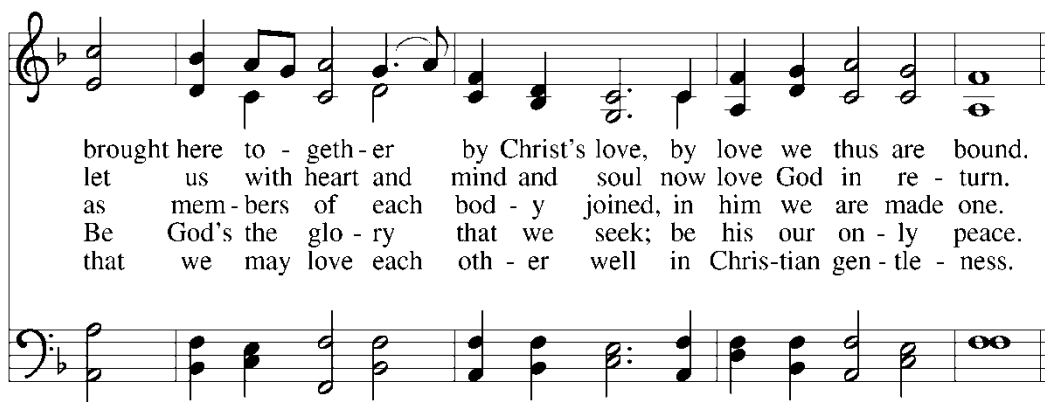
<sup>21</sup>Peter came and said to [Jesus], "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" <sup>22</sup>Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. <sup>23</sup>"For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. <sup>24</sup>When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; <sup>25</sup>and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. <sup>26</sup>So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' <sup>27</sup>And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. <sup>28</sup>But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' <sup>29</sup>Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' <sup>30</sup>But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. <sup>31</sup>When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. <sup>32</sup>Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me.

*After the reading: Praise to you, O Christ!*

**Homily**



1 Where char - i - ty and love pre - vail, there God is ev - er found;  
 2 With grate-ful joy and ho - ly fear, God's char - i - ty we learn;  
 3 Let us re - call that in our midst dwells Christ, God's ho - ly Son;  
 4 Let strife a - mong us be un - known; let all con - ten - tions cease.  
 5 Let us for - give each oth - er's faults as we our own con - fess,



brought here to - geth - er by Christ's love, by love we thus are bound.  
 let us with heart and mind and soul now love God in re - turn.  
 as mem - bers of each bod - y joined, in him we are made one.  
 Be God's the glo - ry that we seek; be his our on - ly peace.  
 that we may love each oth - er well in Chris - tian gen - tle - ness.

### *Confession and Forgiveness*

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

**Most merciful God, we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole hearts; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the**

**sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

*Prayers of the People*

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

*The 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.**

*Announcements*

*Sending Blessing*

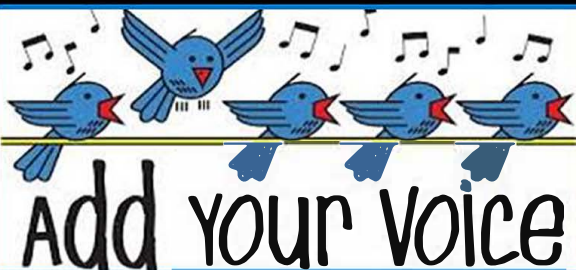
*Postlude* Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow Johann Pachelbel

Join us for a coffee hour via Zoom following this morning's service at 11:00am. Here is a link to the coffee hour:

<https://zoom.us/j/99133380725>

Meeting ID: 991 3338 0725

Dial in: 1-669-900-6833



We have been putting together recordings with as many voices from MLC as possible to play as the Hymn of the Day during the live stream Worship services on Sundays. You've probably heard some of them if you tune in to Sunday's service.

### We would like to add your voice!

Thank you to all who participated in today's hymn of the day, "Where Charity and Love Prevail"! Keep an eye out for the next one!!



### WOMAN OF THE ELCA VIRTUAL HAPPY HOUR

Come join for a virtual happy hour with the ladies from MLC! **The first and third Monday of the month at 7pm.** 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. You are encouraged to join with both video and audio to foster connection and camaraderie.

Questions? Email Serena ([shrenalee@gmail.com](mailto:shrenalee@gmail.com))

Cheers!

### DO YOU NEED MASKS OR HAND SANITIZER?

King County has gifted MLC with lots of masks and hand sanitizer. If you are in need of any, please call the office to arrange for pick up.

206-284-0155



### SINGING WITH ANN

If you miss singing, but don't feel like doing the recording, you might try "Singing With Ann" on Wednesday nights. It happens on Zoom so you can see the others who are also participating but you can't hear them and they can't hear you!

### ONLINE MEETINGS WILL BE COMING SOON!

**How to be anti-racist:** Beginning Tuesday, September 22nd at 7pm.

**Ask me Anything:** Beginning Wednesday, September 23rd at 1pm.

**Confirmation:** Beginning Wednesday, September 23rd at 4pm.

More Information coming soon!!

*If you're not receiving emails for these important announcements, please contact MLC's parish administrator to be added to the email list.*

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**Please Remember  
In Prayer**

Daniel Meloy  
Linda Kellenberger  
Dave Larson  
Brian Rowse, DVM (cousin of the Backman)  
Don Goertzen  
Erika Simonson  
Josephine Wright (mother of LuAnn Mitchell)  
Family of Kevin Beneke (brother-in-law to Barb Heinen)  
Family of Bob McIntosh Pauline McIntosh  
Vickie Edmondson  
Nina Steidl  
Family of Helen Kack  
Family of J.J. Rentel  
Russ Long  
Family of William Olden  
Samantha Scheiber  
Gudrun Brown (friend of Alice Pease)  
Brian Reiersen and Julia Christianson (recovering from car accident)

*If you wish to add someone to the prayer list,  
please contact the church office.*

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**Financial Update  
Through August 2020**

\*Income — \$210,477  
Expenses—\$210,011

\*Includes some prepaid pledges

**Congregation  
Council 2020-2021**

**Council Officers:**

President -- Serena Severance  
Vice President -- Dave Heinen  
Secretary-- Bob Bergeron  
Treasurer -- Dwight Dively  
Financial Secretary-- Alice Pease

Contact council officers at  
[council@magnolialutheranchurch.com](mailto:council@magnolialutheranchurch.com)

**Council members:**

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

Mike Olden (2022)  
Property Committee  
Robert Bergeron (2023)  
Columbarium Committee  
Serena Severance (2020)  
Finance Committee  
Women of the ELCA  
Olivia Massimiano (2023)  
Outreach  
Stewardship Committee  
Bob Bergeron (2022)  
Stewardship Committee  
Dave Heinen (2021)  
Audit Committee  
Nominating Committee  
Bob Zierman (2023)  
Social Action Committee  
Kimberly Milham (2023)  
Fellowship Committee  
Women of the ELCA  
Deborah Ramsey (2021)  
Faith Formation  
Fellowship Committee  
Kay Thoreson (2021)  
Personnel Committee  
Worship & Music Committee

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Share your God-given gifts by giving generously

- Sunday Offering
- Estate planning, stock/bond gifts
- Online banking through your financial institutions

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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-1](http://www.magnolialutheranchurch.com/give-1)**

### Additional Ways to Give

We are pleased to let you know that we have two additional ways to give! First, you will notice that there is a QR code printed on this page. A QR code is a quick-response bar code that can be scanned by your cell phone's QR reader or camera, and re-direct you to a website. Just open your camera and point it at the code, then open the link it gives you on your screen. Our QR code will take you directly to the MLC giving platform. Secondly, MLC now has a PayPal account!

The "PayPal" link is on our giving homepage, and will allow you to give directly to the church and other organizations that MLC sponsors, and is another option for setting up recurring payments. If you have any questions about these two giving options, please let us know!

You can send an email to Nancy at  
[parishadmin@magnolialutheranchurch.com](mailto:parishadmin@magnolialutheranchurch.com).





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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.

**Pastor** — Kevin Bates

**Director of Music Ministry** — Ann Simonson

**Parish Administrator** — Nancy Searle

**Caretaker** — Mara Meloy

**Nursery Attendant** — Diana Frederich

**Ministers** — All the Baptized Children of God

**Live Stream Production** — Evan Kelly, Mark Kelly and Aaron Stevens