

MAGNOLIA LUTHERAN CHURCH  
March 7, 2021      Lent 3  
10am



*Prelude*                      As the Deer Runs to the River                      Christopher Uehlein

*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*

Holy God, through your Son you have called us to live faithfully and  
act courageously. Keep us steadfast in your covenant of grace, and  
teach us the wisdom that comes only through Jesus Christ, our Savior  
and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God,  
now and forever.

**Amen.**

*Scripture Readings*

**First Reading:** Exodus 20:1- 17

<sup>1</sup>God spoke all these words:

<sup>2</sup>I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; <sup>3</sup>you shall have no other gods before me.

<sup>4</sup>You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. <sup>5</sup>You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, <sup>6</sup>but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

<sup>7</sup>You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

<sup>8</sup>Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. <sup>9</sup>Six days you shall labor and do all your work. <sup>10</sup>But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. <sup>11</sup>For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

<sup>12</sup>Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

<sup>13</sup>You shall not murder.

<sup>14</sup>You shall not commit adultery.

<sup>15</sup>You shall not steal.

<sup>16</sup>You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

<sup>17</sup>You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

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

**Gospel:** John 2:13-22

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

<sup>13</sup>The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

<sup>14</sup>In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. <sup>15</sup>Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. <sup>16</sup>He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" <sup>17</sup>His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." <sup>18</sup>The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show

us for doing this?”<sup>19</sup> Jesus answered them, “Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.”<sup>20</sup> The Jews then said, “This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?”<sup>21</sup> But he was speaking of the temple of his body.<sup>22</sup> After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

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

**Homily**

**Hymn**

Just a Closer Walk with Thee

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The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Just a Closer Walk with Thee'. It consists of four systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature has one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are as follows:

*Refrain* Just a clos - er walk with thee, grant it, Je - sus, is my plea;  
 1 I am weak but thou art strong: Je - sus, keep me from all wrong;  
 2 Through this world of toil and snares, if I fal - ter, Lord, who cares?  
 3 When my fee - ble life is o'er, time for me will be no more;

dai - ly walk - ing close to thee, let it be, dear Lord, let it be.  
 I'll be sat - is - fied as long as I walk, let me walk close to thee. *Ref.*  
 Who with me my bur - den shares? None but thee, dear Lord, none but thee. *Ref.*  
 guide me gent - ly, safe - ly o'er to thy king - dom shore, to thy shore. *Ref.*

**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 havenot 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, tothe 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***

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

***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***

All My Hope on God is Founded

Mark Sedio

If you wish to join MLC for the coffee hour at 11am, please contact our Parish Administrator, Nancy, at

206-284-0155 or

[parishadmin@magnoliachurch.com](mailto:parishadmin@magnoliachurch.com)

She will be happy to send you a link!



### HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

**Palm Sunday Worship**  
Sunday, March 28<sup>th</sup> at 10am  
Facebook Live and YouTube Live  
Looking for people to participate in a dramatic reading. Please contact Pastor Kevin if you can help.



**Maundy Thursday Worship**  
Thursday, April 1st at 7pm  
ZOOM gathering with Holy Communion  
Participants provide their own bread and wine or juice at their own table.

LOOK

**Good Friday Worship**  
Friday, April 4th at 10am

**Easter Sunday**  
Sunday, April 4th at 10am  
Facebook Live and YouTube



### Mary's Place

Mary's Place provides safe, inclusive shelter and services that support women, children and families on their journey out of homelessness.

MLC's Social Action Committee has chosen Mary's Place to help during these trying times; by providing donations of anything and everything that someone may need to care for their baby.

Please drop donations off to the breezeway on the East side of the church.

Thank you, as always, for your generosity!



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!**

Watch your inboxes for your next recording opportunity and give it a try!

### ONLINE MEETINGS

**Bible Study:** Tuesday at 11am

**Just a Closer Walk With Thee:**

Tuesdays at 7pm during Lent

**Mediation & Prayer:** Wed. at 11am

**Confirmation Classes:** Wed. at 4pm

**Let's Chat:** Thursday at 11am

**Topical Discussion:** Thursday at 7pm



# ZOOM MEETINGS AND OTHER INFORMATION



**NEW**

## WOMAN OF THE ELCA VIRTUAL HAPPY HOUR

After a recent survey regarding the Ladies Happy Hour, it has been determined that the Ladies will take a break until after Easter, at which time it will change to once a month, the third Thursday, which will be April 15th. Watch your inbox for reminders! Questions?

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## SINGING WITH ANN—SCHEDULE

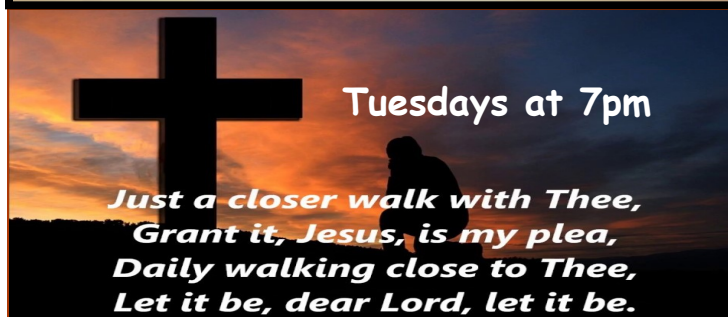
**Feb 24th—March 31st**—Holden Evening Prayer with Ann, everyone is invited to participate! Watch your in boxes for an email with a link to the music!

**April 7th**—Singing with Ann Resumes



**Thursdays at 11am  
with Pastor Kevin**

The floor is open to chat about anything and everything. You start the conversation! So tune in on Thursdays at 11am and Let's Chat!



**Tuesdays at 7pm**

*Just a closer walk with Thee,  
Grant it, Jesus, is my plea,  
Daily walking close to Thee,  
Let it be, dear Lord, let it be.*

## Just A Closer Walk With Thee

This year our Lenten Theme is Just a Closer Walk With Thee. Have you ever sought out a closer relationship with our creator?

Join the conversation! Tuesdays at 7pm.



**TOPICAL DISCUSSION  
Thursdays at 7pm**

**March 11th**-Rev. Chris Ode-Prisons and Pandemics.

**March 18th**-Britt Olson, Priest at St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Ballard. Caring for the homeless in a pandemic.

**March 25th**-Jim Liestekow, How can it Be?

**NEW TOPICS**

## Email Notifications

*if you're not receiving emails for these important announcements, please contact MLC's parish administrator to be added to the email list. 206-284-0155 or email:*

[parishadmin@magnolialutheranchurch.com](mailto:parishadmin@magnolialutheranchurch.com)

*If you were receiving the emails but aren't now, please check your spam and trash.*



**Wednesdays at 11am via zoom**

Prayer and Meditation  
With Pastor Kevin

**Please Remember  
In Prayer**

Daniel Meloy  
Linda Kellenberger  
Dave Larson  
Brian Rowse, DVM (cousin of the Backmans)  
Don Goertzen  
Erika Simonson  
Josephine Wright (mother of LuAnn Mitchell)  
Family of Kevin Beneke (brother-in-law of Barb Heinen)  
Family of Bob McIntosh  
Pauline McIntosh  
Vickie Edmondson  
Family of Nina Steidl  
Family of Helen Kack  
Family of J.J. Rentel  
Family of William Olden  
Family of Barbara Munro  
Samantha Scheiber  
Gudrun Brown (friend of Alice Pease)  
Brian Reiersen and Julia Christianson (recovering from car accident)  
Kay Thoreson  
Georgia Backman  
Gail Hendrickson  
Liza & Bill Biscomb (parents of Victoria Watson)  
Joi and Todd Arntson (stepdaughter and son in law to Carol Hurlburt)

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

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**Financial Update  
Through February 2021**

\*Income — \$ 31,086

Expenses—\$ 26,891

\*Includes 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 and Committees**

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

Audit

Dave Heinen (2021)

Columbarium

Robert Bergeron (2022)

Faith Formation

Deborah Ramsey (2021)

Fellowship

Deborah Ramsey (2021)

Kimberly Milham (2023)

Finance

Serena Severance (2020)

Nominating

Dave Heinen (2021)

Outreach

Olivia Massimiano (2023)

Personnel

Kay Thoreson (2021)

Property

Mike Olden (2022)

Social Action

Bob Zierman (2023)

Stewardship

Robert Bergeron (2022)

Olivia Massimiano (2023)

Women of the ELCA

Serena Severance (2020)

Kimberly Milham (2023)

Worship and Music

Kay Thoreson (2021)

**MAGNOLIA  
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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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2414 31st Avenue West, 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-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

**Guitar and Vocals** — Gary Engle and Randi Mezich

**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, Aaron Stevens and Michael Lord