#### MAGNOLIA LUTHERAN CHURCH

July 26, 2020 10am



Prelude

Soul. Adorn Yourself with Gladness

**Donald Busarow** 

#### 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

## Scripture Readings

First Reading: I Kings 3: 5-12

<sup>5</sup>At Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I should give you." <sup>6</sup>And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart

toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. <sup>7</sup>And now, O LORD my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. <sup>8</sup>And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. <sup>9</sup>Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?"

<sup>10</sup>It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. <sup>11</sup>God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, <sup>12</sup>I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you."

Holy Words. Holy Wisdom. Thanks be to God.

## **Second Reading:** Romans 8: 26-39

<sup>26</sup>The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. <sup>27</sup>And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

<sup>28</sup>We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. <sup>29</sup>For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. <sup>30</sup>And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

<sup>31</sup>What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? <sup>32</sup>He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? <sup>33</sup>Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. <sup>34</sup>Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. <sup>35</sup>Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? <sup>36</sup>As it is written,

"For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered."

<sup>37</sup>No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. <sup>38</sup>For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, <sup>39</sup>nor height, nor

depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Holy Words. Holy Wisdom. Thanks be to God.

Gospel: Matthew 13: 31-33

Before the reading: Glory to you, O Lord!

After the reading: Praise to you, O Christ!

## **Homily**



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup>[Jesus] put before [the crowds] another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; <sup>32</sup>it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>33</sup>He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened."

## 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 God of Grace Paul Manz

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## Please Remember In Praver

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 to Barb Heinen)

Family of Bob McIntosh

Pauline McIntosh

Vickie Edmondson

Nina Steidl

Family of Helen Kack

Terry Thompson

Family of J.J. Rentel

Russ Long

Family of William Olden

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

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## Financial Update Through June 2020

\*Income — \$154,202 Expenses—\$166,601

\*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 <a href="mailto:council@magnolialutheran">council@magnolialutheran</a> church.com

#### Council members:

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

Mike Olden (2022)

Property Committee

Thom Eaton(2020)

Columbarium Committee

Serena Severance (2020)

Finance Committee

Women of the ELCA

Bob Zierman (2022)

Outreach

Bob Bergeron (2022)

**Stewardship Committee** 

Dave Heinen (2021)

Social Action Committee

**Audit Committee** 

Olivia Massimiano (2023)

Nominating Committee

Kimberly Milham (2023)

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Deborah Ramsey (2021)

Faith Formation

Fellowship Committee

Kay Thoreson (2021)

**Personnel Committee** 

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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 quick-response bar code that can be scanned by your cell phone's QR reader or camera, and redirect you to a website. Just open your camera and point it at the code, then open the linkit gives you on your screen. Our QR code will take you directly to the MLC giving platform. Secondly, MLC now has a Pay-Pal account! The "Paypal" link is on our giving homepage, and will allowyout ogive directly to the church and other organizations that MLC sponsors, and is another option for setting uprecurring payments. If you have any questions about these two giving options, please let us know!

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#### **OUR CORE VALUES**

- All are welcome here.
- Everybody does something.
- There is no minimum, ormaximum age for ministry.
- This is a safe place for allGod"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** — Bates Family