

# Moran United Methodist Church

Sunday, April 12th, 2020 – Easter Sunday

*Worship Bulletin for Home and Online*

Welcome to worship! Though we are unable to gather in person today, we can still worship together and celebrate the gift of the Spirit, who keeps us connected even while we are apart.

This Order of Worship can be used to guide your worship this day. If you participate in our livestreamed worship service, this is the Order of Worship that we will follow, whether you watch live at 10:30am ([www.facebook.com/moranchurch](http://www.facebook.com/moranchurch) or [www.moranumc.org](http://www.moranumc.org)) or watch the recording at a later time (on Facebook or our website at [www.moranumc.org/videos](http://www.moranumc.org/videos)). If you don't have internet access, you are invited to pray these prayers, sing these songs, and read these scripture passages knowing that your church family is joining you from wherever they are, as well.

## Prelude

Janice Wrhel

## Greeting

Rev. Cody Natland

Leader: Christ is risen!

**People: Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!**

## Opening Prayer *(you are invited to pray aloud in unison)*

**Living God, rejoicing in this day of resurrection, we have come to celebrate the strength of your love — a love that triumphs even over death. As we exult in the miracle of your incarnate love, we thank you for the opportunity to encounter the Risen Christ here in our midst. Amen.**

## Hymn

"Christ The Lord Is Risen Today"

Led by the Seattle First UMC Choir

## Prayers of the People

*You are invited to offer your prayers aloud to God or share them in the video comments if watching on Facebook. Prayer requests can also be emailed to Pastor Cody at [PastorNatland@gmail.com](mailto:PastorNatland@gmail.com)*

## Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Cody Natland

## 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. Amen.**

## Song

"Forever"

<https://www.azlyrics.com/lyrics/christomlin/forever.html>

## First Lesson: Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 (NRSV)

O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;  
his steadfast love endures forever!

Let Israel say,  
"His steadfast love endures forever."

The LORD is my strength and my might;  
he has become my salvation.

There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous:

“The right hand of the LORD does valiantly;  
the right hand of the LORD is exalted;  
the right hand of the LORD does valiantly.”

I shall not die, but I shall live,  
and recount the deeds of the LORD.

The LORD has punished me severely,  
but he did not give me over to death.

Open to me the gates of righteousness,  
that I may enter through them  
and give thanks to the LORD.

This is the gate of the LORD;  
the righteous shall enter through it.

I thank you that you have answered me  
and have become my salvation.

The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the chief cornerstone.

This is the LORD’s doing;  
it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day that the LORD has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

**Song** "Christ Is Alive"

<https://bit.ly/2JUZDUY>

**Gospel Lesson:** John 20:1-18 (NRSV)

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.” Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus’ head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping?” She said to them, “They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.” When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?” Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me

where you have laid him, and I will take him away.” Jesus said to her, “Mary!” She turned and said to him in Hebrew, “Rabbouni!” (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, “Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’” Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, “I have seen the Lord”; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

This is the Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God!**

**Sermon** "I Have Seen The Lord!" Rev. Cody Natland  
*The sermon will be delivered during the livestream and on the video recording (Facebook and website); it will be mailed to those without internet access in the coming week.*

**Thanksgiving for Hands** Rev. Laura Jaquith Bartlett, Oregon-Idaho Conference

### **Invitation to the Offering**

We invite you to continue to give your pledged gifts, offerings, and tithes to support the church and its ministries. Though the building is empty, our ministries continue to be active, and many of our expenses continue during this season. Please give as your financial situation allows.

You can give online at [www.moranumc.org/give](http://www.moranumc.org/give), or you can mail your donation to the church at 3601 E 65<sup>th</sup> Ave, Spokane WA 99223.

**Song** "This Is Amazing Grace" <https://bit.ly/3aXOtdX>

### **Benediction**

Alleluia! This is a day of new beginnings! This is the day of brightness and hope! For God has done wondrous things for us! Go in joyful peace and know that God's peace and love go with you always. Alleluia! AMEN.

**Postlude** Janice Wrhel

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