

# Moran United Methodist Church

April 19, 2020 Worship Bulletin

## Welcome

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, no matter where you are. If you participate in our livestreamed worship service, this is the Order 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 at those same websites. 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.

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

**Generous God, we thank you for your presence with us in all of our lives. As we gather this morning we are reminded of the many times we have faced fear and unbelief. Today banish our fears with the memory of the resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ. Remind us again that through all our troubles, doubts, and fears, your power, mercy and love are with us. Open our hearts and minds this day to receive the presence of the risen Christ. AMEN.<sup>i</sup>**

## Hymn

"Christ the Lord is Risen Today"

<https://bit.ly/3aeDjQH>

## 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 [PastorNatlnad@gmail.com](mailto:PastorNatlnad@gmail.com)*

## Pastoral 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. Amen.**

## Song

"You Are My Peace"

<https://bit.ly/2yjNCG4>

## Scripture

### ***Psalm 16 (NRSV)***

Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge.

I say to the LORD, "You are my Lord;

I have no good apart from you."

As for the holy ones in the land, they are the noble,  
in whom is all my delight.

Those who choose another god multiply their sorrows;  
 their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out  
 or take their names upon my lips.

The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup;  
 you hold my lot.

The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;  
 I have a goodly heritage.

I bless the LORD who gives me counsel;  
 in the night also my heart instructs me.

I keep the LORD always before me;  
 because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.

Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices;  
 my body also rests secure.

For you do not give me up to Sheol,  
 or let your faithful one see the Pit.

You show me the path of life.

In your presence there is fullness of joy;  
 in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

### **John 20:19-31 (NRSV)**

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

#### **Hymn**

"Dona Nobis Pacem (Grant Us Peace)"

<https://bit.ly/3brq40J>

#### **Sermon**

"He Is Alive: From Unbelief to Belief"

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.*

## 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

"What a Beautiful Name It Is"

<https://bit.ly/3bf9rFp>

## Benediction

In great mercy, God has given us a new birth into a living hope, for it is the risen Christ who stands in our midst and speaks those words of life: "Peace be with you!" We go forth to walk the path of new life and living hope. And may the peace of the risen Christ be with us! **AMEN.**<sup>ii</sup>

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