

# Moran United Methodist Church

August 8, 2021 – Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

## Prelude

Joanne Brown, Accompanist

## Welcome

Rev. Cody Natland, Pastor

Welcome to worship! Whether you are joining us in person at our outdoor worship service or virtually on our livestream, we are glad you have joined us to worship God today.

Masks are optional at our outdoor worship services for those who are fully vaccinated, and continue to be required for those who are not fully vaccinated. Masks also continue to be required while singing and we will continue to observe social distancing.

## Opening Prayer

Joan King, Liturgist

O Bread of heaven, come down. Come down and fill us with your Spirit — for your Spirit satisfies like no other. We hunger and thirst for you this morning and long to be nurtured in your love and forgiveness. We come to this sacred time and place, where our hungers are finally and fully satisfied as only your bread can do. We will wait and listen for your leading in this hour. Amen.<sup>1</sup>

## \* Song

"Here I Am To Worship"

Janice Wrhel

Light of the world, you stepped down into darkness  
 Opened my eyes let me see  
 Beauty that made this heart adore you  
 Hope of a life spent with you

*Chorus:* Here I am to worship, here I am to bow down  
 Here I am to say that you're my God  
 And You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy  
 Altogether wonderful to me

King of all days, oh so highly exalted  
 Glorious in heaven above  
 Humbly you came to the earth you created  
 All for love's sake became poor

*Chorus*

*Bridge:* And I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross  
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*Chorus*

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## 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

### 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.**

**Sign Choir** "Let There Be Peace On Earth"

Signers: Gail Allgood, Lori Dennis, & Theresa Kamitomo

Vocals: Janice Wrhel & Crystal Natland

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me;  
 Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.  
 With God our Creator, children all are we.  
 Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me; let this be the moment now.  
 With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow:  
 To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.  
 Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

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**Scripture**

Joan King, Liturgist

***Ephesians 4:25-5:2 (NRSV)***

So then, putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbors, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labor and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

***John 6:35-51 (NRSV)***

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and anyone who comes to me I will never drive away; for I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will, but the will of him who sent me. And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. This is indeed the will of my Father, that all who see the Son and believe in him may have eternal life; and I will raise them up on the last day."

Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may

eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

\* **Hymn** "Break Thou The Bread of Life" Janice Wrhel & Crystal Natland

Break thou the bead of life, dear Lord, to me,  
As thou didst break the loaves beside the sea;  
Beyond the sacred page I seek thee, Lord;  
My spirit pants for thee, O Living Word!

Bless thou the truth, dear Lord, to me, to me,  
As thou didst bless the bread by Galilee;  
Then shall all bondage cease, all fetters fall;  
And I shall find my peace, my all in all.

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**Sermon** *Bread Of Life: Drawn To Christ* Rev. Cody Natland

### **Invitation to the Offering**

*We invite you to give as God leads you to support the church and its ministries as we seek to embrace, inspire, and serve, making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. You can give online at [www.moranumc.org/give](http://www.moranumc.org/give), or by mailing your gift to the church at 3601 E 65<sup>th</sup> Ave / Spokane, WA 99223.*

\* **Hymn** "Leaning On The Everlasting Arms" Joanne Brown, Accompanist

What a fellowship, what a joy divine,  
Leaning on the everlasting arms;  
What a blessedness, what a peace is mine,  
Leaning on the everlasting arms.

*Refrain:* Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;  
Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.

O how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,  
Leaning on the everlasting arms;  
O how bright the path grows from day to day,  
Leaning on the everlasting arms.

*Refrain*

What have I to dread, what have I to fear,  
Leaning on the everlasting arms?  
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near,  
Leaning on the everlasting arms.

*Refrain*

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**Benediction** Rev. Cody Natland

We have been fed by the Bread of Life, which nourishes and sustains us. Now go forth into God's world as members of the Body of Christ to nourish others and share with them the Bread of Life which gives life to all the world. Go in peace. Amen.

**Postlude**

Joanne Brown

<sup>1</sup> Opening prayer written by John A. Brewer, accessed at <https://www.ministrymatters.com/all/entry/2985/worship-elements-august-8-2021>

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**Virtual Coffee Hour**

Sundays at 11:30am on Zoom – Immediately following the worship service

Join by Computer/Tablet/Smartphone: <https://greaternw.zoom.us/j/96460688631>

Join by Phone (home phone, landline, or cell – no internet required)

+1 (253) 215-8782 (Meeting ID: 964 6068 8631)

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**Weekly Outdoor Worship Services (Weather Permitting)**

Sundays at 10:30am on the lawn at Moran UMC & Virtual via Live-Stream (Facebook & Website)

Join Sunday mornings at 10:30am as we gather outdoor worship services on the lawn (with space available for chairs on the flat parking lot, as well) at Moran UMC near the gazebo. Masks are now optional at our outdoor worship services for those who are fully vaccinated, and continue to be required for those who are not fully vaccinated. Masks will also continue to be required while singing. We will continue to observe social distancing.

Our services are also live-streamed on Facebook and our website at 10:30am.

*If we need to cancel the in-person service due to weather or air quality concerns, a cancellation will be announced via email as early as possible (we aim for no later than Thursday). We will cancel for weather warnings issued by the National Weather Service; air quality cancellations will be made when the AQI is above 100 in our area as reported by the Spokane Regional Clean Air Agency.*

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**Summer Family Fun Day**

Saturday, August 14th from 9-11am at Moran UMC (Outdoor)

We had our first Family Fun Day in July and had a wonderful time! We are planning to have our second event on August 14<sup>th</sup> from 9am to 11am near the Gazebo at Moran UMC. This event is open to all families in our church and community – so invite your neighbors, kids, grandkids, and friends to come out for a morning of fun activities. Our activities will include some that are water-based, so please wear clothes that can get wet. Be sure that every member of the family brings a facemask.

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**Weekday Morning Prayer Group -- Weekdays at 9am on Zoom**

We meet on Monday through Friday mornings for prayer, scripture, and a short meditation.

Join Morning Prayer by Computer/Smartphone/Tablet: <https://greaternw.zoom.us/j/349727648>

Join by Phone (dial any of these numbers):

+1 (253) 215-8782 (Meeting ID: 349 727 648)

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**Pub Theology** -- Tuesdays at 6pm on Zoom

Honest conversations about things that matter. All viewpoints are welcome and encouraged as we talk about a wide variety of topics ranging from theology and philosophy to current events and personal experiences.

Join by Computer/Smartphone/Tablet: <https://greaternw.zoom.us/j/794159957>

Join by Telephone:

+1 (253) 215-8782 (Meeting ID: 794 159 957)

+1 (346) 248-7799 (Meeting ID: 794 159 957)

**Wednesday Bible Study: The Prophet Micah** -- Wednesdays from 6-7:15pm on Zoom

Join by Computer/Smartphone/Tablet: <https://greaternw.zoom.us/j/276855082>

Join by Phone (dial any of these numbers):

+1 (253) 215-8782 (Meeting ID: 276 855 082)

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**Monday Vespers and Holy Communion** -- Mondays at 6:30pm

Connect via Facebook Live: [www.facebook.com/moranchurch](http://www.facebook.com/moranchurch)

Connect via Zoom (computer/tablet/smartphone): <https://greaternw.zoom.us/j/97155799598>

Connect via Phone (home phone, landline, cell phone):

+1 253 215 8782 (Meeting ID: 971 5579 9598)

+1 346 248 7799 (Meeting ID: 971 5579 9598)

**Lord, Hear Our Prayers...**

- For **wildfire containment, firefighters**, and the **communities** impacted by wildfires and poor air quality.
- For **Jane Bates**, who is under the care of hospice.
- For **Valerie**, Jane Bates' daughter, and her family who live in California and have had to evacuate her home due to a wildfire.
- For **Cedar Natland**, who is recovering from surgery to remove his tonsils and adenoids on Friday.
- For **Kelly Casto**, the Kifers' daughter, who is recovering from complications after surgery to remove kidney stones.
- For **Nancy Oberst**, who had a successful surgery last week and is recovering well.
- For **Kathy Powers**, Lois Moller's niece, who is recovering from cancer for thyroid surgery.
- For **Bob Thompson**, who is recovering at home from a heart attack and triple bypass surgery.
- For **Troy**, Priscilla Bowen's son-in-law, awaiting surgery to remove kidney stones.
- For Gail Allgood's friend, **Mark**, who is recovering from surgery for colon cancer.
- For Sally and Dennis' grandson, **Alex**, who is struggling with eating. We pray for his growth and strength, for his parents **Mandy** and **Eric**, and for discernment for his doctors to find the reason for his difficulties.
- For **Kathleen**, Susie Karnesky's sister, who is healing after surgery to replace broken vertebrae.

- For **Shirley and Roger**, step-mother and father of Sally Rainey's friend **Kerri**. Shirley is in the ICU and her health is in rapid decline.
- For **Vanessa**, Jacque Davis' grandson's wife, who is continuing to heal and adjust to life in a wheelchair. We also pray for her husband **Tony** and son **Jack** as they all adjust to these new limitations and realities.
- For the **McCrea-Jones Family**.
- For **Christy Tweedy**, recovering from a stroke.
- For Ed Malcolm's brother-in-law, **Claude**, recovering from a fall and broken bones. We also pray for his wife, **Fay**, as she cares for him.
- For **Sandra Prizeman**, continuing to recover from brain surgery.
- For **Joni Swartout**, recovering from recent illness.
- For **Bill**, Harriet Van Wyck's childhood friend's brother, with terminal cancer.
- For **those impacted by racism, discrimination, and racist violence**, and we pray for **change in our nation**.
- For **Karen Tauscher** as she continues her cancer treatments.
- For **Avery**, Joan King's friend, who is battling cancer.
- For **Lynley**, the daughter of a childhood friend of Harriet Van Wyck.
- For **Ed Malcolm** as he manages pain in his esophagus and back.
- For all who are sick, recovering, and grieving deaths from **COVID-19**. For those experiencing **loneliness and isolation**.
- For our **church leaders** as they continue to support a safe reopening process for our church and those around our Annual Conference. For our local church leaders and our Bishop, Rev. Elaine Stanovsky.