

Moran United Methodist Church

August 16th, 2020 Worship Bulletin
11th Sunday After Pentecost

Welcome

Welcome to worship! Though we are unable to gather in person today, we can still worship together and celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit, who keeps us connected even while we are apart. This service will be livestreamed on Sunday morning at 10:30am via Facebook Live (www.facebook.com/moranchurch) and on the front page of our website (www.moranumc.org). The recording will be available immediately following the livestream.

Call to Worship *(you are invited to read this responsively)*¹

Leader: We are scattered in many places, but we gather here to worship together.
People: How good it is to worship together in unity!
 Leader: We come from our different occupations and diverse activities.
People: How good it is to worship together in unity!
 Leader: We come as unique individuals, bound together in the love of Christ.
People: How good it is to worship together in unity! AMEN.

Hymn "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" <https://bit.ly/LyricsPraiseToTheLord>

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

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 "Thy Word" <https://bit.ly/ThyWordLyrics>

Scripture

Psalm 67:1-7 (NRSV)

May God be gracious to us and bless us
and make his face to shine upon us,
that your way may be known upon earth,
your saving power among all nations.
Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide the nations upon earth.

Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.

The earth has yielded its increase;
God, our God, has blessed us.
May God continue to bless us;
let all the ends of the earth revere him.

Matthew 15:10-28 (NRSV)

Then he called the crowd to him and said to them, "Listen and understand: it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles." Then the disciples approached and said to him, "Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?" He answered, "Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit." But Peter said to him, "Explain this parable to us." Then he said, "Are you also still without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile."

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

Hymn "God of Grace and God of Glory"

<https://bit.ly/GodOfGraceLyrics>

Sermon "What Comes Out"

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 email/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, or you can mail your donation to the church at 3601 E 65th Ave / Spokane, WA 99223.

Song "We Are (The Light of the World)"

<https://bit.ly/LyricsWeAre>

Benediction

Jesus' love and compassion have been poured out for you today. Go forth in confidence and hope, bearing forgiveness and love for all God's people. Go in peace. **AMEN.**

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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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School Supply Drive

Drive-Through Drop-Off on Monday, August 17th at 10am at Moran UMC

We are beginning our annual School Supply Drive, and we will hold a Drive-Through Drop-Off Event for School Supplies, Shalom Ministry donations (see your August Newsletter for specific needs), and non-perishable food items for Second Harvest on Monday, August 17th from 10:00-11:00am.

If you are unable to make this school supply drive, don't worry! We will continue to accept donations through the beginning of the school year.

This year's school supply needs are a little bit different, since we now know that all of the students at Mullan Road Elementary and other Spokane Public Schools will begin the school year in a distance learning model. This means that young students will be needing some additional supplies that are typically provided by the school, since they will be doing their work from home instead of in the classroom.

We'll be providing a bag of school supplies for each of the school-age children participating in our Vacation Bible School program, and working with Mullan Road Elementary School to distribute the rest of the school supplies to students as needed.

- Crayons (16 pack)
- Colored Pencils (8-12 pack)
- Markers
- Highlighters
- Pencils
- Erasers
- Glue Sticks
- Ruler
- Pencil Pouch
- Composition Books (wide and college ruled)
- Spiral Notebooks (wide and college ruled)
- Notebook Paper (loose leaf; wide and college ruled)
- White Copy/Printer Paper
- Portfolio Folders with Pockets
- Scissors
- 3-Ring Zippered Binders with dividers

Monday Evening Vespers and Holy Communion

Mondays at 6:30pm

Zoom and Facebook Live

Join us on Mondays at 6:30pm for an evening vespers service of scripture, prayer, and sharing Holy Communion. You can connect with the vespers service either through Zoom (which allows you to participate via home phone if you are not internet connected or have a weak connection) or on Facebook Live through our Facebook page.

You are encouraged to bring communion elements with you as you connect in to the service. The traditional elements are bread and grape juice, but other bread products (crackers, etc.) or juice/water will be fine.

Connect via Facebook Live: www.facebook.com/moranchurch

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

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Prayer Requests

- For Pastor Barbara Caviezel, who shares that her surgery was successful, and she asks for continued prayers for healing.
- For Mark and Theresa Kamitomo and the Kamitomo family as they grieve the death of Mark's mother on August 4th.
- For Richard Smith. He met with his surgeon this week, and there is no sign of cancer remaining in his body, and his recovery is going well. He will begin speech therapy soon.
- For Jeff Johnson, continuing to recover and gain strength.
- For Dennis Rainey who has returned home from the hospital, and is continuing to rest and heal.
- For Karen Tauscher as she continues her cancer treatments.
- For Baby Jack as he has been released from the hospital. We pray for his continued strength and recovery, and for his family as they care for him.
- For school districts, administrators, teachers, and families as prepare for the coming school year.
- For those who are working for change in our nation around issues of racial justice.
- For those who are experiencing loneliness and isolation.
- For our church leaders as they continue to envision a gradual, phased reopening process for our church. For our local church leaders and for our Bishop, Elaine Stanovsky.
- For our local, state, and national leaders.