

# Moran United Methodist Church

July 4, 2021 – Sixth Sunday After Pentecost

## Prelude

Joanne Brown, Accompanist

## Welcome

Rev. Cody Natland

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. This service will take place both live at Moran UMC and livestreaming online at 10:30am via Facebook Live ([www.facebook.com/moranchurch](http://www.facebook.com/moranchurch)) and on the front page of our website ([www.moranumc.org](http://www.moranumc.org)). The recording will be available immediately following the livestream.

## Opening Prayer

Harriet Van Wyck, Liturgist

O God, who meets us in the midst of the storms of life with peace that passes understanding, meet us here as we gather for this time of worship. Calm our minds and spirits that we might set aside our worries to be fully present as we offer our praise and thanksgiving to you. Open our eyes that we might see you, and open our hearts that we might put our trust in you as our strength in times of trouble. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

## Hymn

"America The Beautiful"

Joanne Brown with Crystal and Cody Natland

O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain;  
For purple mountain majesties across the fruited plain!  
America! America! Go shed his grace on thee,  
And crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.

O beautiful for heroes proved in liberating strife,  
Who more than self their country loved, and mercy more than life.  
America! America! May God thy gold refine,  
Till all success be nobleness, and every gain divine.

O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years  
Thine alabaster cities gleam, undimmed by human tears.  
America! America! God mend thine every flaw,  
Confirm thy soul in self control, thy liberty in law.

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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.**

**Hymn** "This Is My Song"

Joanne Brown with Crystal and Cody Natland

This is my song, O God of all the nations,  
 a song of peace for lands afar and mine.  
 This is my home, the country where my heart is;  
 here are my hopes, my dreams my holy shrine;  
 but other hearts in other lands are beating  
 with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.

My country's skies are bluer than the ocean,  
 and sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine;  
 but other lands have sunlight, too, and clover,  
 and skies are everywhere as blue as mine.  
 O hear my song, thou God of all the nations,  
 A song of peace for their land and for mine.

This is my prayer, O Lord of all earth's kingdoms:  
 Thy kingdom come; on earth thy will be done.  
 Let Christ be lifted up till all shall serve him,  
 and hearts united learn to live as one.  
 O hear my prayer, thou God of all the nations;  
 myself I give thee; let thy will be done.

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**Scripture**

Harriet Van Wyck, Liturgist

***Psalm 90:9-20 (NRSV)***

The LORD is a stronghold for the oppressed,  
 a stronghold in times of trouble.  
 And those who know your name put their trust in you,  
 for you, O LORD, have not forsaken those who seek you.

Sing praises to the LORD, who dwells in Zion.  
 Declare his deeds among the peoples.  
 For he who avenges blood is mindful of them;  
 he does not forget the cry of the afflicted.

Be gracious to me, O LORD.  
 See what I suffer from those who hate me;  
 you are the one who lifts me up from the gates of death,  
 so that I may recount all your praises,  
 and, in the gates of daughter Zion,  
 rejoice in your deliverance.

The nations have sunk in the pit that they made;  
 in the net that they hid has their own foot been caught.  
 The LORD has made himself known, he has executed judgment;  
 the wicked are snared in the work of their own hands.

The wicked shall depart to Sheol,  
 all the nations that forget God.  
 For the needy shall not always be forgotten,  
 nor the hope of the poor perish forever.

Rise up, O LORD! Do not let mortals prevail;  
 let the nations be judged before you.  
 Put them in fear, O LORD;  
 let the nations know that they are only human.

**Mark 4:35-41 (NRSV)**

On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, "Let us go across to the other side." And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

**Hymn** "What A Friend We Have In Jesus" Janice Wrhel with Crystal Natland

What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!  
 What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!  
 O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear,  
 All because we do not carry everything to God in prayer.

Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?  
 We should never be discouraged; take it to the Lord in prayer!  
 Can we find a friend so faithful, who will all our sorrows share?  
 Jesus knows our every weakness; take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care?  
 Precious Savior, still our refuge; take it to the Lord in prayer.  
 Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer!  
 In his arms he'll take and shield thee; thou wilt find a solace there.

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**Sermon** *The Peace of His Presence* Rev. Betty Smith

**Hymn** "It Is Well With My Soul" Janice Wrhel

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,  
 When sorrows like sea billows roll;  
 Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,  
 It is well, it is well with my soul.

*Refrain:* It is well...with my soul  
 It is well, it is well with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,  
 Let this blest assurance control,  
 That Christ has regarded my helpless estate,  
 And hath shed his own blood for my soul. (*Refrain*)

My sin, oh, the bliss of this glorious thought!  
 My sin, not in part but the whole,  
 Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more,

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! *(Refrain)*

And, Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight,  
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll;  
The trump shall resound, and the Lord shall descend,  
Even so, it is well with my soul. *(Refrain)*

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## Holy Communion

*As you worship with us virtually, we invite you to gather the elements for Holy Communion as we celebrate the Lord's extensive, welcoming table. The traditional elements are bread and grape juice/wine, but you are welcome to substitute whatever elements are available to you (water, juice, crackers, etc).*

## 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.*

## Benediction

Rev. Cody Natland

May the peace of the Lord Christ go with you, wherever He may send you. May He guide you through the wilderness and protect you through the storm. May He bring you home rejoicing at the wonders He has shown you. May He bring you home rejoicing once again into our doors. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **AMEN.**<sup>1</sup>

## Postlude

Joanne Brown

<sup>1</sup> *From the Morning Prayer liturgy, Northumbria Community's Daily Prayer, published by Collins.*

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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. Mask wearing and social distancing are required for all attendees, regardless of vaccination status.

Our services also continue to be 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 will cancel for weather warnings issued by the National Weather Service; air quality cancellations will be made based on AQI ratings.*

## Schedule Changes

- **Monday Vespers & Communion, Pub Theology, and Wednesday Evening Bible Study** will all resume this week.
- **Children's Sunday School:** We wrapped up our "Virtual Sunday School" program in June, and we will be taking the summer off from Sunday School. We hope to be able to return to in-person Sunday School in the fall, though we don't know yet what that will look like. During the summer, we will be offering a few in-person family events this summer, which include a "Family Fun Day" on July 17th as well as a "VBS @ Home" program, which will use a combination of supplies and activities we'll deliver to each child, along with videos posted to our website and Facebook.
- **Monday Anti-Racism Study Group:** Our Anti-Racism Study Group, which has been taking place on Monday afternoons, is taking a break for the summer months. We to be able to partner with some community groups for a few special programs during the summer, so keep your eye out for details in your Moran Weekly and August Newsletter. We will pick back up in the fall, so please let Pastor Cody know if there is a particular day/time you would prefer to meet when we start back in the fall.

### **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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### **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):

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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)

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### **Pub Theology** -- Tuesdays from 6-8pm 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:

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### Lord, Hear Our Prayers...

- For **safety in this season of heat, drought, and wildfire risk**, especially as we celebrate July 4<sup>th</sup>.
- For **Bob Thompson**, who is recovering from a heart attack and triple bypass surgery this week.
- For **Caden**, Vicky Hansen's grandson, who was injured in a tubing accident.
- For the **family of Dave**, a neighbor of the Malcolms, who passed away on July 1<sup>st</sup>.
- For **Troy**, Priscilla Bowen's son-in-law, awaiting surgery to remove kidney stones.
- For Diane Van Leuven's sister, **Linda**, who broke her ankle.
- For Gail Allgood's friend, **Mark**, who is having surgery for colon cancer on July 8<sup>th</sup>.
- For **Izaak Westrand**, we pray for continued pain relief as his broken teeth are repaired.
- 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 **Jane Bates**, who is under the care of hospice.
- For **Gary Whrel**, Janice's father-in-law, who is recovering from surgery after a fall.
- 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 Penny Herold's sister-in-law, **Kay Chinen**, who is managing several health issues and trying to be well enough to continue infusions for rheumatoid arthritis.
- 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 **Jana Kifer**, healing from a broken shoulder.
- 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.