

Moran United Methodist Church

November 1st, 2020 Worship Bulletin

22nd 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)*

Leader: For mothers and fathers, strangers and friends, the faithful of past generations,

People: We give God our thanks and praise.

Leader: For the cloud of witnesses who faithfully built and grew this church over 140 years,

People: We give God our thanks and praise.

Leader: For their trust in God, now entrusted to us,

People: We give God our thanks and praise. AMEN.

Hymn

"How Firm a Foundation"

<http://bit.ly/FirmFoundationLyrics>

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

"Lord, I Lift Your Name On High"

<http://bit.ly/LiftYourName>

Scripture

Hebrews 11:29-12:2 (NRSV)

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace.

And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets— who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by

the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented— of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

Matthew 7:24-27 (NRSV)

“Everyone then who hears these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on rock. The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on rock. And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not act on them will be like a foolish man who built his house on sand. The rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell—and great was its fall!”

Hymn "The Solid Rock" <http://bit.ly/TheSolidRockLyrics>

Sermon "140 Years and Beyond: Looking Back"

The sermon will be delivered during the livestream and on the video recording (Facebook and website); copies of the manuscript are available upon request and are included with the copy of the weekly bulletin mailed to those without access to our livestreamed services.

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 "O Happy Day, That Fixed My Choice" <http://bit.ly/HappyDayLyrics>

Benediction

We bless your holy name, O God, for all your servants who, having finished their course, now rest from their labors. Now, as we go forth, give us grace to follow the example of their steadfastness and faithfulness, to your honor and glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN.**¹

¹*From the United Methodist Book of Worship, 413: Prayer for All Saints Day or Sunday.*

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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)

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New Worship Series: 140 Years and Beyond: Celebration and Stewardship

Moran United Methodist Church was founded in 1880, which means that we are celebrating our **140th Anniversary in 2020!** While the pandemic may have kept us from holding a big celebration in person, I hope you have enjoyed reading the articles in the Moran Messenger over the past three months highlighting some of our church's history and growth. Thank you to all who helped to write the reflections and compile the photos: Jeanie Cook, Ardis Storms, Joanne Brown, Pastor Barbara Caviezel, Pastor Betty Smith, and Harry Burcalow.

For the first three weeks in November, our worship theme will be "**140 Years and Beyond: Celebration and Stewardship.**" Throughout these three weeks, we will honoring and celebrating the saints that have founded, built, and maintained our church and its ministries over the years. We will also be looking at how we continue to be engaged in vital ministry, and committing to the future.

On this first Sunday of the series, we will hear some reflections from Ardis Storms about her experiences at Moran UMC when she was a child, as well as her experiences interviewing members of the Church and the Moran Prairie community. We celebrate the faithfulness of many generations of our Moran church family who have laid the foundation - literally and figuratively - for the ministry that we continue today.

Scripture:

Hebrews 11:29-12:2

Matthew 7:24-27

November 1st is also All Saints Sunday. During the worship service, we will be honoring the saints of Moran UMC who passed away this year:

Jerry Johnson

Don Young

Shirley Swingley

Duane "Doc" O'Connor

We will light a candle on the altar in honor of these four saints, as well as the other beloved saints in your lives who passed away this year.

May grace and peace be yours in abundance!

Pastor Cody Natland

Monday Vespers and Holy Communion

Monday, November 2nd at 6:30pm

Note: We return to our weekly schedule this month – join us every Monday at 6:30pm

On Monday evenings at 6:30pm, you are invited to a short 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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Worship Service "Watch Party" Opportunities

Tuesdays at 1pm in November

Beginning on Tuesday, November 2nd, we are offering the opportunity for a small group of 5 people or less to gather in person at Moran UMC to watch the recording of the previous Sunday's worship service. We will prioritize space for those who do not have the ability to participate in our worship services virtually at home.

If you are interested in participating in this weekly "Watch Party," please contact the Church Office at (509) 448-7102. If we have more interest than one Watch Party can accommodate, we will add additional opportunities.

Anti-Racism Book Study and Discussion

Mondays November 9th, 16th, 23rd, and 30th at 1pm via Zoom

Through the month of November, you are invited on a journey of learning more about the history and impact of racism in America, and exploring how we can commit to working for racial justice, as we read the book, *Between The World And Me* by Ta-Nehisi Coates.

Copies of the book can be purchased on Amazon for about \$13 new, or less for used copies. You can order a copy at <https://amzn.to/3kTUKfb>, or let Pastor Cody know and he would be happy to order a copy for you.

Join on Zoom by computer/tablet/smartphone:

<https://greaternw.zoom.us/j/276855082>

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Children's and Youth Virtual Sunday School

Children's and Youth Sunday School videos are posted each Sunday morning from your Sunday School teachers as they lead you in Bible stories, crafts, and other activities. Since the videos are recorded, we invite you/your families to engage with them on Sunday mornings, or at whatever point during the weeks that works best for your family.

Children's Sunday School: www.moranumc.org/sundayschool

Youth Sunday School: www.moranumc.org/youthvideos

We are offering a Children's Zoom Hangout every other Sunday at 1pm, during our Children's Moment time slot. On the opposite weeks, we will have our Children's Moment via Facebook Live.

November 1st: Children's Moment on Facebook Live

November 8th: Children's Zoom Hangout

November 15th: Children's Moment on Facebook Live

November 22nd: Children's Zoom Hangout

November 29th: Children's Moment on Facebook Live

Children's Zoom Hangout Zoom: <https://greaternw.zoom.us/j/96460688631> (Passcode 3601)

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Mission Monday Drive-Through

Mondays from 10-11am at Moran UMC

Shalom Ministries & Second Harvest

We invite you to drop off any donations you have for Shalom Ministries, Second Harvest, or School Supplies for Mullan Road Elementary School on Monday mornings from 10-11am at Moran UMC. Bins for donations to each of these organizations will be available along the curb at the front of the church building.

Shalom Ministries is in need of the following items:

Sleeping Bags

Blankets

Socks

Sugar Packets

Creamer Packets

Brown Sugar

Oatmeal

Bottled Water

Whole Frozen Turkeys (for the annual Thanksgiving meal)

Prayer Requests

- For our **nation** as we move toward **Election Day** on Tuesday, November 3rd.
- For all around the country and world who are sick, recovering, and grieving deaths from **COVID-19**.
- For **residents and health professionals in Spokane County as our COVID-19 numbers continue to be elevated**.
- For **Jeannie McDermott**, experiencing eye pain and waiting to see a cornea specialist for treatment options.
- For **Jeanette Johnson**, who was briefly hospitalized after experiencing an elevated heart rate. She is now home and doing better.
- For Lori and Bob Thompson's friends, **Andy, Jerry, and Linda**.
- For Priscilla Bowen's granddaughter, **RayAnn**.
- For the **McCrea-Jones Family**.
- For the **wildfires and wildfire recovery** throughout the western United States.
- For continued healing and strength for **Kim Newman, Dennis Rainey, Jeff Johnson, Richard Smith, and Pastor Barbara Caviezel**.
- For **Karen Tauscher** as she continues her cancer treatments.
- 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**.