

# Moran United Methodist Church

October 17, 2021 – Twenty First Sunday After Pentecost

## Prelude

Joanne Brown, Accompanist

## Welcome

Rev. Cody Natland

Welcome to worship! We are so glad that you have joined us to worship God today. Whether this is your first Sunday with us or you have been worshipping with us for many years, we want you to know that you are a beloved child of God and you belong here in our church family.

## Opening Prayer

Harriet Van Wyck, Liturgist

God of wind and water, God of love and compassion, God of all that is and ever will be, you come to us this day. Remind us that we are all members of the body of Christ, and we are all called to serve your people and creation, with God's love and compassion. As we worship, help us set aside our distractions and our ambitions that we might fully receive your grace. Amen.

## \* Hymn

"Salt and Light"

Janice Wrhel, with Crystal & Cody Natland

*Verse:* You make me want to be like you  
Your holiness I will pursue  
I want the heart of Jesus  
Show me the meaning of your grace  
I want to give the world a taste  
Of the love of Jesus

*Chorus:* Make me salt make me light  
Let your holy fire ignite  
Reveal your glory in my life  
I am not ashamed to lift up your holy name  
Make me salt make me light

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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 joining us on Facebook. Prayer requests can also be emailed to Pastor Cody at [PastorNatland@gmail.com](mailto:PastorNatland@gmail.com)*

## Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Cody Natland

## 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

"I Will Follow"

Janice Wrhel

Where you go, I'll go  
Where you stay, I'll stay  
When you move, I'll move  
I will follow

All your ways are good, all your ways are sure  
I will trust in you alone

Higher than my sight, high above the light  
I will trust in you alone, in you alone

*Chorus:* Where you go, I'll go  
Where you stay, I'll stay  
When you move, I'll move  
I will follow you  
Whom you love, I'll love  
How you serve, I'll serve  
If this life I lose I will follow you

Light into the world, light into my life  
I will live for you alone,  
You're the One I seek knowing I will find  
All I need is you alone, in you alone

*Bridge:* In you there's life everlasting  
In you there's freedom for my soul  
In you there's joy unending joy  
And I will follow

*Chorus*

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## Scripture

Harriet Van Wyck

### **Hebrews 5:1-10 (NRSV)**

Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek."

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

### **Mark 10:32-45 (NRSV)**

They were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking ahead of them; they were amazed, and those who followed were afraid. He took the twelve aside again and began to tell them what was to happen to him, saying, "See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be handed over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death; then they will hand him over to the Gentiles; they will mock him, and spit upon him, and flog him, and kill him; and after three days he will rise again."

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for

you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared."

When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

\* **Song** "Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service" Joanne Brown, with Crystal & Cody Natland

Lord, whose love through humble service bore the weight of human need,  
Who upon the cross, forsaken, offered mercy's perfect deed:  
We, your servants, bring the worship not of voice alone, but heart,  
Consecrated to your purpose every gift that you impart.

Still your children wander homeless; still the hungry cry for bread;  
Still the captives long for freedom; still in grief we mourn our dead.  
As, O Lord, your deep compassion healed the sick and freed the soul,  
Use the love your Spirit kindles still to save and make us whole.

As we worship, grant us vision, till your love's revealing light  
In its height and depth and greatness dawns upon our quickened sight,  
Making known the needs and burdens your compassion bids us bear,  
Stirring us to tireless striving, your abundant life to share.

Called by worship to your service, forth in your dear name we go  
To the child, the youth, the aged, love in loving deeds to show;  
Hope and health, good will and comfort, counsel, aid, and peace we give,  
That your servants, Lord, in freedom may your mercy know, and live.

*Albert Bayly & Ralph Williams © 1988 Oxford University Press*

**Sermon** *Called To Serve, Not To Be Served*

Rev. Cody Natland

### **Invitation to the Offering**

*We invite you to give as God leads you to support our church and 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 mail your gift to: 3601 E 65<sup>th</sup> Ave / Spokane, WA 99223.*

\* **Hymn** "We Are (The Light Of The World)" Janice Wrhel, With Crystal & Cody Natland

Every secret, every shame, every fear, every pain  
Live inside the dark, but that's not who we are  
We are children of the day

*Pre-Chorus:* So wake up, sleeper, lift your head  
We were meant for more than this  
Fight the shadows, conquer death  
Make the most of the time we have left

*Chorus:* We are the light of the world  
 We are the city on a hill  
 We are the light of the world  
 And we gotta, we gotta, we gotta  
 Let the light shine (repeat)

We are called to spread the news, to tell the world the simple truth  
 Jesus came to save, there's freedom in his name  
 So let his love break through

*Chorus*

*Bridge:* We are the light, we are the light, we are the light  
 So let your light shine brighter  
 We are the light, we are the light, we are the light  
 Jesus, you are the light, you are the light, you are the light  
 We will lift you high and shine, shine, shine

*Chorus*

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## **Benediction**

Rev. Cody Natland

You have been called to serve the Lord with gladness. Go from this place knowing that God's blessings have been poured on you so that you may be a blessing to others. Be at peace and bring the good news of God's love and peace to all whom you meet. Amen.

## **Postlude**

Joanne Brown

<sup>1</sup> *Benediction adapted from "Prayers for the Seasons of God's People," © 1999 Abingdon Press*

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## **Virtual Coffee Hour**

Sundays at 11:30am on Zoom – Join us for a time of fellowship and connection 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) +1(346) 248-7799 (Meeting ID: 964 6068 8631)

## **Weekly Live-Streamed Services**

Sundays at 10:30am Online via Live-Stream (Facebook & Website)

**Due to the cold weather, we have moved our worship services to online-only for the rest of the month of October.** We will continue to live-stream our services on Sunday mornings to our Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/moranchurch](http://www.facebook.com/moranchurch) and our website at [www.moranumc.org](http://www.moranumc.org).

We hope that we won't be spending too many weeks only being able to worship together online. Our Reimagining Team is continuing to meet every two weeks to assess local case rates and other data, and to evaluate our plans for a safe reopening as soon we are able. We are seeing encouraging movement in our trends, and we know that our Moran church family is all eagerly anticipating our return to worship together in our Sanctuary.

## Welcoming Refugees – Linen Welcome Kits for World Relief

The Missions Team is asking for your help in creating Linen Kits to welcome refugees who are being resettled in the Spokane area through World Relief. Refugees often flee from their homes at a moment's notice, and they arrive in Spokane with very few belongings to begin a new life. These welcome kits will help to ensure that the family has some of their most basic necessities for getting settled into their new homes.

Donations can be brought to the church on Sunday mornings, during our "Mission Monday" drop-off from 10am-Noon on Mondays, or during office hours (Mon, Wed, and Thurs from 10am-3pm). Please donate only new, unused items.

- Bed Linens: Twin or Queen
- Blankets: Twin or Queen
- Comforter: Twin or Queen
- Pillows
- Towel Sets (bath, hand, face)
- \$25 gift cards (Dollar Tree, Amazon, Walmart, Winco, Target)

## 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>

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

+1 (253) 215-8782 (Meeting ID: 349 727 648) +1 (346) 248-7799 (Meeting ID: 349 727 648)

## 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):

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

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

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

+1 (253) 215-8782 (Meeting ID: 794 159 957) +1 (346) 248-7799 (Meeting ID: 794 159 957)

## Wednesday Bible Study: Paul's Epistle to Titus -- Wednesdays from 6-7:15pm on Zoom

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

Join by Phone (dial either of these numbers):

+1 (253) 215-8782 (Meeting ID: 276 855 082) +1 (346) 248-7799 (Meeting ID: 276 855 082)

## Fall Study: Finding Peace in an Anxious World

*Thursdays at 10:00am beginning October 14th*

*Moran UMC -- Disciples/Shepherds Room*

This new four-week study will be led by Pastor Cody and held in person at Moran UMC in the Disciples/Shepherds Room. Reading through parts of the book of Proverbs and the words of "The Serenity Prayer," will explore ways that we can connect deeply with God through prayer and other spiritual disciplines when life gets overwhelming. Our time together will include not only learning and discussion, but also opportunities to engage in some new spiritual disciplines that will help us to deepen and strengthen our connections with God.

We are excited to be offering this study in person, and ask that participants wear masks and socially distance. The Disciples/Shepherds Room is located at the far east end of the building.

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### Lord, Hear Our Prayers...

- For **Elizabeth Williams**, who is recovering very well from recent emergency brain surgery and awaiting results of the tumor biopsy.
- For **Courtney Nelson**, who is currently hospitalized with COVID-19 pneumonia in both lungs.
- For **Baby Alex**, the Rainey's grandson, who has pneumonia.
- For **Bob Tweedy**, who is recovering from a fall.
- For **Martin Nelson**, somebody Lois Moller knows, who is at Harborview Burn Unit with severe burns after surviving an explosion. Prayers also for Martin's daughter and ex-wife.
- For **Richard Smith**, as his doctor believes his cancer has returned and has referred him to an oncologist. Richard has also been diagnosed with diabetes.
- For **Sally Hall and her daughter Hazel** (Hazel is Joan King's best friend)
- For **Brian**, Susie Karnesky's cousin, who is in the ICU with COVID-19 and on a ventilator.
- For **Dennis Rainey**, who is having health problems and awaiting diagnosis.
- For **Maddie**, Harriet Van Wyck's granddaughter's friend, recovering from serious injuries.
- For **Gerald Bertram** as he undergoes treatment for cancer.
- For **Lis McCrea-Jones**, who is recovering from knee surgery.
- For **Ardis Storms**, who is recovering from recent illness.
- For **Joanne Brown**, who has been having weakness due to low blood pressure.
- For **wildfire containment, firefighters**, and the **communities** impacted by wildfires.
- For **Kathleen**, Susie Karnesky's sister, who is healing after surgery for broken vertebrae.
- 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 together.
- For the **McCrea-Jones Family**.
- For **Joni Swartout**, recovering from recent illness.
- 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, back, and hip.
- For **those impacted by bullying, racism, discrimination, and racist violence**, and we pray for **change in our nation**.
- For all who are sick, recovering, and grieving deaths from **COVID-19**. For those experiencing **loneliness and isolation**. For **hospitals, medical centers, and medical workers**.
- 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.