

Moran United Methodist Church

October 18th, 2020 Worship Bulletin

20th 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: Beloved, we all belong to the family of God.

People: God's stamp is on our lives.

Leader: God's love and compassion are built into us.

People: God's mercy and hope flow through us.

Leader: Let us celebrate the powerful presence of God!

People: Let us rejoice in all of the opportunities God gives us serve. AMEN.

Hymn

"Let There Be Light"

<http://bit.ly/LightLyrics>

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

"Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)"

http://bit.ly/Oceans_Lyrics

Scripture

Exodus 33:12-23 (NRSV)

Moses said to the LORD, "See, you have said to me, 'Bring up this people'; but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, 'I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight.' Now if I have found favor in your sight, show me your ways, so that I may know you and find favor in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people." He said, "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." And he said to him, "If your presence will not go, do not carry us up from here. For how shall it be known that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people, unless you go with us? In this way, we shall be distinct, I and your people, from every people on the face of the earth."

The LORD said to Moses, "I will do the very thing that you have asked; for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name." Moses said, "Show me your glory, I pray." And he said, "I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you the name, 'The LORD'; and I

will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. But," he said, "you cannot see my face; for no one shall see me and live." And the LORD continued, "See, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock; and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back; but my face shall not be seen."

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10 (NRSV)

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

Grace to you and peace.

We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

Hymn "Be Thou My Vision" <http://bit.ly/BeThouLyrics>

Sermon "Audacious Faith" 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" http://bit.ly/We_Are_Lyrics

Benediction

Beloved children of God, go forth in peace to joyfully serve the Lord. Share your lives and God's blessings with others in need. Go in peace and hope, reflecting the love and light of God. AMEN.

¹ *Call to Worship adapted from Nancy Townley. Accessed at <https://www.ministrymatters.com/all/entry/8458/worship-connection-october-18-2020>*

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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Worship Service "Watch Party" Opportunities

Beginning in November

Beginning in the month of November, we will be offering opportunities during the week for small groups 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 would be interested in participating in one of these weekly "Watch Parties," please contact the Church Office at (509) 448-7102.**

Annual Church/Charge Conference

Sunday, November 1st from 6:30-8:30pm (Zoom)

Our Charge/Church Conference will be held on Sunday, November 1st from 6:30-8:30pm via Zoom. The Charge/Church Conference is the annual meeting of the members of Moran UMC to celebrate the work of our congregation, and to make some key decisions for the coming year. We will elect our congregational leadership for 2021, adopt the Pastor's salary package, and receive reports from our many ministry teams.

This meeting is open to all members of Moran UMC.

Join by Computer/Tablet/Smartphone:

<https://greaternw.zoom.us/j/6612195328?pwd=bXVoNmNkQ1VHdFJQc3VXQ0VtV0Q3UT09>

Meeting ID: 661 219 5328

Passcode: 856254

Join by Phone (dial any of these numbers):

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Adoption Finalization

The Natland Family is excited to share that Aleeha's adoption will be finalized on Friday, October 23rd. Thank you to our church family for your continued prayers and support in welcoming our daughter!

Pastor Cody Back In The Office

Pastor Cody is now back in the office, though his hours will be slightly reduced for the next few weeks, particularly in the mornings, as he continues to prioritize time with his family as they continue to help Aleeha, Charley, and Cedar adjust.

Please feel free to contact Pastor Cody by phone (Office: 509-448-7102 or Cell: 509-985-9229 (texts okay)) or email (PastorNatland@gmail.com) with any questions, concerns, or pastoral care needs.

Children's and Youth Virtual Sunday School Continues!

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.

October 18th: Children's Moment on Facebook Live

October 25th: Children's Zoom Hangout

November 1st: Children's Moment on Facebook Live

November 8th: Children's Zoom Hangout

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

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Drive-Through Trunk-Or-Treat

Friday, October 30th from 4-6pm

Join us for a spook-tacular "**Drive-Through Trunk or-Treat**" event at the end of the month! Mark your calendars for Friday, October 30th from 4-6pm in the Moran UMC parking lot! Enjoy decorated car trunks, lots of candy, and bring your decorated pumpkin for a virtual pumpkin decorating contest (we'll take your photo with your pumpkin and then post it to our website for voting, with prizes in multiple categories).

How will this work? This event will be safe, and we will follow guidelines for mask wearing and social distancing throughout the event. Each car will come through our parking lot, making a "U" shape to view each decorated trunk and costumed host. After driving through the trunks, participants will receive a bag of pre-bagged candy and, if they brought a decorated pumpkin, will have their photo taken with their pumpkin for the decorating contest.

Volunteers and Donations Needed for Trunk-Or-Treat

Contact Kevin Torres to sign up by email at Kevin.MUMC@gmail.com or at the church office, (509)448-7102.

Candy donations (*individually wrapped*) can be brought to the church during our Mission Monday Drop-Offs on Mondays from 10-11am, or by arrangement with Kevin Torres.

We also need lots of volunteers to host a trunk! This will involve decorating your car's trunk/hatch (spooky, funny, creative, etc. -- there are lots of ideas out there if you google "Trunk Or Treat Ideas") and greeting our trunk-or-treaters as they drive through our parking lot, maintaining a safe distance.

Rather than having each person pass out candy and coming into close contact with all of the kids, each kid will receive a pre-bagged bag of candy at the end. **Hosting a trunk does NOT mean you have to come into close contact with guests.**

Finally, we will need some volunteers to help with **traffic flow** to guide participants into our parking lot off of Freya.

Mission Monday Drive-Through

Mondays from 10-11am at Moran UMC

School Supplies, Shalom, & Second Harvest – and -- Candy for the Trunk-Or-Treat

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.

If you have any questions about what items are needed, please contact Debbie Maxson.

Johnson Family Estate Sale

Tools, collectibles and home furnishings. 8101 S Hilby Road Spokane, WA 99223. Friday 10/23 from 9-5 and Saturday 10/24 from 9-12. Masks Required.

Prayer Requests

- For those in the **White House and Government who have been diagnosed with COVID-19**. We continue to pray 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 **Nancy Oberst** who had gall bladder surgery on October 8th and is now resting at home. May she have a swift and comfortable recovery.
- For Lori and Bob Thompson's friends, **Andy, Jerry, and Linda**.
- For Priscilla Bowen's granddaughter, **RayAnn**.
- For Priscilla Bowen's grandson, **Isaac**, who has been diagnosed with high blood pressure.

- For the **McCrea-Jones Family**.
- For Bob and Jeanie Cook's granddaughter, **Gracie**, who is grieving her dad, Dave who passed away unexpectedly on September 18th. We pray for comfort for **Gracie**, her mother **Shana**, and **Dave's parents and family**.
- For all who have been impacted by **severe flooding in the southeastern United States** from Hurricane Sally, devastation of Hurricane Laura, and potential devastation from Hurricane Delta.
- For the **wildfires and wildfire recovery** throughout the western United States.
- For continued healing and strength for **Harry Burcalow, Kim Newman, Dennis Rainey, Jeff Johnson, Richard Smith**, and **Pastor Barbara Caviezel**.
- For **Karen Tauscher** as she continues her cancer treatments.
- For **Baby Jack's** continued strength and recovery, and for his family as they care for him.
- 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**.