

# Moran United Methodist Church

October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Worship Bulletin  
18<sup>th</sup> 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](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.

## Call to Worship *(you are invited to read this responsively)*<sup>1</sup>

Leader: Come away from the stress and worry of the world to worship God.

People: **We come seeking peace and quiet for our souls.**

Leader: Rest your spirits. Quiet your hearts. God is with us.

People: **Praise be to God who calls us to come away. AMEN.**

## Song

"Agnus Dei"

<http://bit.ly/AgnusDeiLyrics>

## 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

"Crown Him With Many Crowns"

<http://bit.ly/CrownHimLyrics>

## Scripture

### ***Psalm 80:7-15 (NRSV)***

Restore us, O God of hosts;  
let your face shine, that we may be saved.

You brought a vine out of Egypt;  
you drove out the nations and planted it.

You cleared the ground for it;  
it took deep root and filled the land.

The mountains were covered with its shade,  
the mighty cedars with its branches;

it sent out its branches to the sea,  
and its shoots to the River.

Why then have you broken down its walls,  
so that all who pass along the way pluck its fruit?

The boar from the forest ravages it,  
and all that move in the field feed on it.

Turn again, O God of hosts;  
look down from heaven, and see;  
have regard for this vine,  
the stock that your right hand planted.

### **Revelation 1:1-8 (NRSV)**

The revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave him to show his servants what must soon take place; he made it known by sending his angel to his servant John, who testified to the word of God and to the testimony of Jesus Christ, even to all that he saw.

Blessed is the one who reads aloud the words of the prophecy, and blessed are those who hear and who keep what is written in it; for the time is near.

John to the seven churches that are in Asia:

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

*Look! He is coming with the clouds;  
every eye will see him,  
even those who pierced him;  
and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.*

So it is to be. Amen.

"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

**Song** "You Never Let Go" <http://bit.ly/LyricsNeverLetGo>

### **Introducing our Guest Preacher**

While Pastor Cody is on paternity leave, we will have guest preachers from throughout our Annual Conference providing the sermon each week. This Sunday, we hear from Rev. Ruth Marston-Bihl, who serves as the Pastor of Trinity United Methodist Church in Seattle.

**Sermon** Rev. Ruth Marston-Bihl  
*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.*

### **World Communion Sunday Invitation**

Today is World Common Sunday, which is an ecumenical celebration of the Lord's Table, which draws Christians together across denominations to celebrate the presence of Christ, who unites us in sharing a common meal. This year, we will celebrate World Communion Sunday together on *Monday, October 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm via Zoom*, during our Vespers & Holy Communion service. Please see the Zoom link/phone numbers below to connect.

## 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](http://www.moranumc.org/give), or you can mail your donation to the church at 3601 E 65<sup>th</sup> Ave / Spokane, WA 99223.

## Hymn

"Soon And Very Soon"

<http://bit.ly/SoonLyrics>

## Benediction

The Banquet of God's love has been given to you. You have received blessing upon blessing. Go now into the world in which noise and confusion reign. Bring peace and hope in Christ's Name to all you meet. God's peace and love be with you now and always. **AMEN.**<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> *Call to Worship* written by Nancy Townley. Accessed at <https://www.ministrymatters.com/all/entry/1717/worship-connection-october-4-2020>

<sup>2</sup> *Benediction* written by Nancy Townley. Accessed at <https://www.ministrymatters.com/all/entry/8442/worship-connection-october-4-2020>

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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)

+1 (346) 248-7799 (Meeting ID: 964 6068 8631)

## Evening Vespers and Holy Communion

Monday, October 5th at 6:30pm on Zoom

Join us on Monday evening for a short service of prayer, Scripture, and Holy Communion. We will celebrate the blessing of the Lord's broad, wide, inclusive table as we connect with Christians throughout the world in celebrating World Communion Sunday (even though we will be a day late).

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.

Remember that all of our Zoom ministries and activities are accessible using your home phone; if you are able to make long-distance calls, you are able to join your church family through the Zoom platform.

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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 +1 346 248 7799 (Meeting ID: 971 5579 9598)

### **World Communion Sunday Special Offering**

Often, United Methodist pastors are burdened with debt resulting from loans to complete seminary. Or worse, they are prevented from answering their call to ministry because they aren't equipped to face what may seem an overwhelming financial obligation. On Oct. 4, our congregation will address this concern through our World Communion Sunday special offering.

In the United Methodist Church, World Communion Sunday is one of six Special Sundays with offerings. On the first Sunday in October, our designated gifts benefit students around the world by providing scholarships, mentoring, and training for United Methodist college students and seminarians.

The spirit of World Communion Sunday is to come together in Christian unity around the breaking bread and sharing the cup. In our Wesleyan tradition, we extend this practice through our special offering. If you would like to make a contribution for this special offering, you can designate "World Communion Offering" on your check or in the memo line for your gift through our online giving page at [www.moranumc.org/give](http://www.moranumc.org/give).

### **Mullan Road Elementary – Volunteer Opportunity**

We have been asked by the school administrators at Mullan Road if we can provide some volunteers to help with distribution of lunches and school materials/packets every weekday to students in the apartment complexes on 55<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Volunteers would also connect with the families to find out if they have any needs to be shared with their student's teacher or other staff/administrators. The time-frame is somewhat flexible, but approximately Noon-1:30pm (it could be slightly earlier or slightly later). Volunteers would need to be able to make deliveries to upstairs apartments. They're hoping to find volunteers to do this every day, but it doesn't have to be the same person(s) each day. Please contact Jacque Davis if you would like to volunteer for this important need at (509)448-7102 or [moranumc3601@live.com](mailto:moranumc3601@live.com)

**Shalom Ministries** is in need of disposable masks.

### **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 will be 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](http://www.moranumc.org/sundayschool)

Youth Sunday School: [www.moranumc.org/youthvideos](http://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 4<sup>th</sup>: Children's Moment on Facebook Live

October 11<sup>th</sup>: Children's Zoom Hangout

October 18<sup>th</sup>: Children's Moment on Facebook Live

October 25<sup>th</sup>: 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**

Join us for a spook-tacular "**Drive-Through Trunk or-Treat**" event at the end of the month! Mark your calendars for Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup> 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).

***Lots of candy donations and many volunteers are needed!***

**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.

Finally, we will need some volunteers to help with **traffic flow** and **taking photos**.

To volunteer or for more information, contact Kevin Torres by email at [Kevin.MUMC@gmail.com](mailto:Kevin.MUMC@gmail.com) or at the church office, (509)448-7102.

### **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.

## Pastor Cody's Paternity Leave

Pastor Cody is on paternity leave through Sunday, October 11th. If you have an immediate concern and need pastoral care, both Rev. Barbara Caviezel and Rev. Betty Smith will be available on-call. Pastor Barbara will be the primary contact and can be reached at (509)999-0418. If she is unavailable, please call Pastor Betty at (509)467-0786. For Prayer Chain requests, please contact Jeanie Cook at (509)448-8522 or email [cooks\\_den@msn.com](mailto:cooks_den@msn.com).

Questions about regular church ministries and programming can be directed to Jacque Davis, our Administrative Assistant, at (509)448-7102 or [moranumc3601@live.com](mailto:moranumc3601@live.com). Jacque will be in the office every Monday from 10am-1pm, and will be checking and responding to voicemails and emails regularly. All of our planned programming outlined in our September Newsletter will continue as planned, with the exception of Monday Vespers and Holy Communion, which will take place only on September 7th, and Tuesday morning Coffee With The Pastor.

Any other questions or concerns can be directed to the Co-Chairs of the Staff/Pastor-Parish Relations Committee, Mark Kamitomo and Dennis Kifer.

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Dennis Kifer	(509) 534-9584	<a href="mailto:kiferacct89@msn.com">kiferacct89@msn.com</a>

## Prayer Requests

- For Bob and Jeanie Cook's granddaughter, Gracie, who is grieving her dad, Dave who passed away unexpectedly on September 18<sup>th</sup>. We pray for comfort for Gracie, her mother Shana, and Dave's parents and family.
- For Harry Burcalow, whose vision has improved, but is still working with doctors to find and address the cause of his double vision.
- For all who have been impacted by severe flooding in the southeastern United States from Hurricane Sally, as well as the continued response to the devastation of Hurricane Laura.
- For the wildfires and wildfire recovery throughout the western United. For those who have lost homes and lives, for those facing evacuations, and the firefighters working to put the fires out.
- 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 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.