

Moran United Methodist Church

September 20th, 2020 Worship Bulletin

16th 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: Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised!

People: Each day, God brings us new opportunities to learn and grow.

Leader: God is near to all of us, giving life to our dry bones.

People: We await God's renewing breath.

Leader: Come, let us praise God who walks with us daily.

People: Let us open our hearts and spirits to God who loves and lives with us. AMEN.

Song "Great Is The Lord"

<http://bit.ly/GreatIsTheLord>

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.

Hymn "Breathe On Me, Breath Of God"

<http://bit.ly/LyricsBreathOfGod>

Scripture

Psalm 145:1-8 (NRSV)

I will extol you, my God and King,
and bless your name forever and ever.

Every day I will bless you,
and praise your name forever and ever.

Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised;
his greatness is unsearchable.

One generation shall laud your works to another,
and shall declare your mighty acts.

On the glorious splendor of your majesty,
and on your wondrous works, I will meditate.

The might of your awesome deeds shall be proclaimed,

and I will declare your greatness.
They shall celebrate the fame of your abundant goodness,
and shall sing aloud of your righteousness.

The LORD is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

Ezekiel 37:1-8 (NRSV)

The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD."

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them.

Hymn

"My Hope Is Built"

<http://bit.ly/HopeIsBuilt>

Introducing our Guest Preacher

While Pastor Cody is on paternity leave, we will have guest preachers from throughout our Pacific Northwest Annual Conference providing the sermon each week. This Sunday, we hear from Rev. Elizabeth Ingram Schindler, who serves as the Pastor of Faith Church, which is a United Methodist congregation located in Issaquah, Washington. She is also the head of our Annual Conference's delegation to the General Conference. Rev. Ingram Schindler is a native of the south, but has been in the Pacific Northwest for the last 13 years. She lives in Issaquah with her husband, two kids, and a tiny puppy.

Sermon

"Can These Bones Live?"

Rev. Elizabeth Ingram Schindler

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

"Beautiful Things"

<http://bit.ly/BeautifulThingsLyrics>

Benediction

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.**²

¹ *Call to Worship written by Nancy Townley and modified by Cody Natland. Accessed at <https://www.ministrymatters.com/all/entry/4369/worship-connection-november-10-2019>*

² *Taken from Morning Prayer from Northumbria Community's Celtic 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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October Newsletter Deadline

The October Newsletter deadline was Thursday, October 17th, but there is still time to submit your articles to Sandra Prizeman. Please submit any articles for the October Newsletter as soon as possible to morannewsletter@gmail.com, or to Sandra Prizeman's box in the church office.

Children's and Youth Virtual Sunday School Begins Sunday, September 20th!

We are so excited to begin our Fall Sunday School program, even though it will look very different this year from any year before. Videos will be 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

Youth Sunday School: www.moranumc.org/youthvideos

Beginning on Sunday, September 27th, we will be offering a Children's Zoom Hangout every other week at 1pm, during our Children's Moment time. On the opposite weeks, we will have our Children's Moment via Facebook Live.

September 27th: Children's Zoom Hangout

October 4th: Children's Moment on Facebook Live

October 11th: Children's Zoom Hangout

October 18th: Children's Moment on Facebook Live

October 25th: Children's Zoom Hangout

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

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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.

Questions about regular church ministries and programming can be directed to Jacque Davis, our Administrative Assistant, at (509)448-7102 or 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.

Mark Kamitomo	(509)710-7370	mark@markamgrp.com
Dennis Kifer	(509)534-9584	kiferacct89@msn.com

Mission Monday Drive-Through

Mondays from 10-11am at Moran UMC

School Supplies, Shalom, & Second Harvest

We invite you to drop off any donations you have for Shalom Ministries, Secodn 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.

Prayer Requests

- For Alia Smith, who is undergoing monitoring and tests for possible atrial fibrillation.
- 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 burning throughout the western United States, and all of the people impacted. For those who have lost homes and lives, for those facing evacuations, and the firefighters working to put the fires out.
- For the air quality throughout our region and all who are experiencing breathing difficulties.
- We give thanks that Harry Burcalow has seen improvement for his vision.
- For Caden, Jeanie Cook's nephew, who is making progress in his recovery from recent surgeries and bleeding.
- For Kim Newman as she continues to recover from her recent stroke. We pray also for the Newman family as Kim's husband, Aaren, recently lost his mother.
- For continued healing and strength for 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.