#### Watchword for the Week

Jesus says "I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture." (John 10:9) (Moravian Daily Texts 2014)

# ORGAN PRELUDE

# WELCOME and CALL to WORSHIP (Psalm 23)

The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters.

He restores my soul.

He leads me in right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and staff – they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD my whole life long.

Hymn 14 (1)\* The Lord's my Shepherd People's Choice Hymns are marked with an asterisk (\*)

# **OPENING PRAYER**

Glory to God the Father, whose goodness and mercy have followed us all the days of our life!

#### Glory to God the Son, the Good Shepherd, who knows his sheep by name and laid down his life for them!

Glory to God the Spirit, who guides us in the ways of Christ and gathers us into his Church!

#### Glory to God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit!

O Christ, the Good Shepherd, you seek us when we are lost, gathering us in your arms, so that we can find our safety in your presence. *Grant us no rest till we find our rest in you.*  O Christ, the Gate for the sheep, you stand by the door and call us by name, guiding us out to open pasture. *Grant that we may follow you and no other.* 

O Christ, the Good Shepherd,

you put your life on the line for the sheep, dying that they might live – and live abundantly. Grant that we may seek the fullness which you offer – for ourselves and for one another, until your kingdom come. Amen.

### CHILDREN'S TIME



# ASSURANCE of PARDON

God forgives us before we ask and gives us the grace to move forward in our lives and in our communities. *Thanks be to God. Amen.* 

### SHARING GOD'S PEACE

(During which children may leave for Kids' Church)

# SCRIPTURE READINGS

1 Peter 2:19-25	NT p. 296 (294)	
St. John 10:1-10	NT p. 131	
The word of God: Thanks be to God!		

Hymn 462 \* The King of love my Shepherd is

SERMON

Rev. James Brown

Hymn 423 I know that my Redeemer lives (Offerings are gathered and brought forward) (Hymn of the Month, May 2014)

### DEDICATION PRAYER

Good Shepherd, teach us to follow you: to care for all that are close to us, to protect those who are threatened, to welcome those who are rejected, to forgive those who are burdened by guilt, to heal those who are broken and sick, to share with those who have little or nothing, to take the time to really know one another and love as you have loved us.

Good Shepherd, teach us to follow you: to spread compassion to those who are far away, to speak for those who are voiceless, to defend those who are oppressed and abused, to work for justice for the exploited, to make peace for those who suffer violence, to recognise our connectedness, and to love as you have loved us. Amen.

# NOTICES and PRAYERS for OTHERS Lord, in your mercy: *hear our 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 and ever. Amen.

Hymn 530 \* One more step along the world

BLESSING and Threefold Amen (No. 819)

#### ORGAN POSTLUDE

# Notices

We welcome all visitors and first-time worshippers. Please sign our guest book including your postal or e-mail address if you wish to receive our church newsletter.

> Today's worship team:

Duty elder:Justus MasaReader:Katherine MasaOrgan:Ingeborg Maiwald

- > Our offering during worship is our main source of income. *Please give generously.* Last Sunday's offering totalled € 177.35.
- After worship you are invited to the Kirchencafé next door to the church for tea, coffee and continued fellowship.
- This week's diary all are welcome!
  Wednesday, 14 May at 18:00 hrs.
  ECC Choir practice | Pauluskirche
  Friday, 16 May at 19:00 hrs. (tbc)
  Joyful Singers practice | Pariser Str. 4-6
- Forthcoming worship all are welcome!
  Sunday, 25 May at 12:30 hrs.
  Church Anniversary Rev. Bob Haworth
  Sunday, 8 June at 11:00 a.m.
  Pentecost joint bilingual worship
  Monday, 9 June at 11:00 a.m.
  Pentecost worship IKK, Pauluskirche
  Korean, African, Indonesian, Finnish, etc.
- This week's Ecumenical Prayer Cycle features Kenya and Tanzania. For details, follow the link from www.ecc-bochum.de
- Please switch all mobile phones off or to the mute mode / vibration signal during worship. Thank you.





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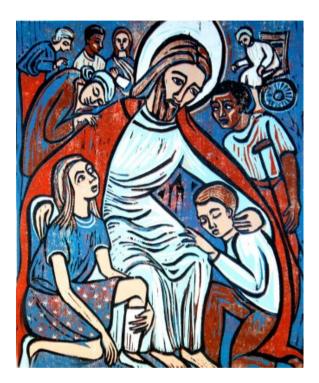
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# Easter 4 Good Shepherd Sunday

#### "Pax intrantibus, salus exeuntibus"

"On entering, peace – on departure, blessing" (Pauluskirche Bochum – Porch Inscription 1655)

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