

Watchword for the Week

Jesus said, "You will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of the Power, and coming with the clouds of heaven." (Mark 14:62)
(Moravian Daily Texts 2015)

ORGAN PRELUDE

WELCOME and CALL to WORSHIP (Verses from Psalm 118)

Give thanks to the LORD, because he is good, and his love is eternal. Let the people of Israel say, "His love is eternal." **Let the priests of God say, "His love is eternal." Let all who worship him say, "His love is eternal."**

Open to me the gates of the Temple;
I will go in and give thanks to the LORD!
**This is the gate of the LORD;
only the righteous can come in.**

ECC Choir *Come, Lord Jesus*

I praise you, LORD, because you heard me, because you have given me victory. **The stone which the builders rejected as worthless turned out to be the most important of all.**

May God bless the one who comes in the name of the LORD! The LORD is God; he is good to us. **With branches in your hands, start the festival and march round the altar.**

ECC Choir *Come, Lord Jesus*

You are my God, and I give you thanks;
I will proclaim your greatness.
Give thanks to the LORD, because he is good, and his love is eternal.

Hymn 364 * *All glory, laud, and honour*
People's Choice Hymns are marked with an asterisk (*)

LITANY of APPROACH

Hosanna, save us.
From what do you desire to be saved?
Save us from our indifference to the poor and others we exclude in our community.
You are a forgiven people;
open your hearts to all in need.

Hosanna, save us.

From what do you desire to be saved?

Save us from our disregard for the earth and our exploitation of creation.

You are a forgiven people;
open your hearts to nurture the world.

Hosanna, save us.

From what do you desire to be saved?

Save us from our overindulgences.

You are a forgiven people; open your hearts to the satisfaction that is found in knowing you are a child of a loving God.

Hosanna, save us.

From what do you desire to be saved?

Save us from our lack of desire for knowledge. You are a forgiven people;
open your hearts to rejoice in enquiry.

Hosanna, save us.

From what do you desire to be saved?

Save us from our timidity and lack of courage. You are a forgiven people;
open your hearts to the embracing goodness of God that is with you always.

Hosanna, save us.

From what do you desire to be saved?

Save us from our lack of understanding.

You are a forgiven people; open your hearts to the wonders of the journey in the eternal flow that is the God of love. **Let it be so. Amen.**

CHILDREN'S TIME

Hymn 369 *Here comes Jesus on a donkey*

SHARING GOD'S PEACE

(Children may gather at the table in the rear of church)

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Philippians 2:5-11 NT p. 248 (247)

ECC Choir *Hosanna to the Son of David*

St. Mark 11:1-11 NT p. 61
People may stand for the Gospel reading.

The word of God – **Thanks be to God!**

Hymn 367

Hosanna, loud hosanna

SERMON

Rev. James Brown

Hymn 347

*Unless a single grain of wheat
(Hymn of the Month, March 2015)*

OFFERING and PALM PROCESSION

Joyful Singers *Medley*

Collect your "palm" branch from the rear of church and join the procession to place them on the floor of the sanctuary. Your offerings may be placed in the basket at the sanctuary steps.

DEDICATION PRAYER

Gracious God, your Son our Saviour entered Jerusalem and gave his life for the world. With grateful hearts we dedicate ourselves to you. Help us to take up our cross and follow Jesus, that, sharing in his sufferings, we may know the power of his resurrection. We ask it in his name and for his sake. Amen.

Joyful Singers

The Old Rugged Cross

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 365 *

Ride on! Ride on in majesty!

BLESSING (sung by the ECC Choir)

O Saviour of the world, who by thy cross and precious blood hast redeemed us, save us and help us, we humbly beseech thee, O Lord. Amen.

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: Jimmimah Ujma
Reader: Belinda Leppkes-Obi
Organ: Ingeborg Maiwald
- Our **offering** during worship is our main source of income. **Please give generously.** Last Sunday's offering totalled € 118.11.
- After worship, you are invited to the **Kirchencafé** next door to the church for tea, coffee and continued fellowship.
- **Ecumenical Prayer Cycle** for this week: **Brunei, Malaysia** and **Singapore**. More information via: www.ecc-bochum.de
- **Holy Week worship diary:**
Maundy Thursday: 2 April 7:30 pm
Good Friday: 3 April 12:30 pm
Easter Sunday: 5 April 12:30 pm
- Please switch all **mobile phones** off or to the mute mode / vibration signal during worship. Thank you.



*Jesus, ride again into our cities,
temples, upper rooms and
Gethsemanes. Give us sight
so that this time we might
recognise you.*

(USA: Prayers for Peace)



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Palm Sunday

"Pax intrantibus, salus exeuntibus"

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

Worship every Sunday at 12.30