

### Watchword for the Week

Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone.  
You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart,  
and with all your soul, and with all your might.  
(Deuteronomy 6:4-5)  
(Moravian Daily Texts 2015)

### ORGAN PRELUDE

### WELCOME and CALL to WORSHIP

(Verses from Psalm 146)

Praise the LORD!

Praise the LORD, O my soul!

***I will praise the LORD as long as I live;***

***I will sing praises to my God all my life long.***

Do not put your trust in princes,  
in mortals, in whom there is no help.

***When their breath departs, they return to the earth; on that very day their plans perish.***

Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD their God,  
***who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; who keeps faith forever.***

The LORD sets the prisoners free;  
the LORD opens the eyes of the blind.

***The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the righteous.***

The LORD watches over the strangers;  
he upholds the orphan and the widow;  
***the LORD will reign forever, your God, O Zion, for all generations. Praise the LORD!***

### Hymn 172 \*

*Sing for God's glory*

People's Choice Hymns are marked with an asterisk (\*)  
(Children may go to the halls next door for Kids' Church)

### PRAYER of CONFESSION

Jesus, I am not worthy  
to have you come under my roof,  
***but only say the word***  
***and your servant will be healed.***

Let us confess our sins.

***God of all mercy,***

***we confess before you and each other that we have been unfaithful to you.***

***We lack love for our neighbours, we waste opportunities to do good, and we look the other way***

***when you cry out to us in the suffering of our brothers and sisters in need.***

***We are sincerely sorry for our sins, both those we commit deliberately and those we allow to overtake us.***

***We ask your forgiveness and pray for strength that we may follow in your way***

***and love all your people with that perfect love***

***which casts out all fear;***

***through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.***

### ASSURANCE of FORGIVENESS

Jesus looked up and said to a sinner: Where are your accusers? Has no one condemned you?

Neither do I condemn you; go, and do not sin again. ***Thanks be to God. Amen.***

### Hymn 772 \*

*In the Lord I'll be ever thankful*

*In the Lord I'll be ever thankful,*

*in the Lord I will rejoice!*

*Look to God, do not be afraid,*

*lift up your voices, the Lord is near,*

*lift up your voices, the Lord is near.*

### SCRIPTURE READINGS

Revelation 21:1-6 a NT p. 329 (326)

St. Mark 12:28-34 NT p. 64

People may stand for the Gospel reading.

The Word of God. ***Thanks be to God!***

### Hymn 709

*The right hand of God*

(Hymn of the Month, November 2015)

### SERMON

Rev. James Brown

### Hymn 527

*Lord, make us servants*

(Offerings are gathered and brought forward)

The NICENE CREED (Hymnbook No. 649)

### PRAYERS of the PEOPLE

### PASSING the PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you, ***and also with you.***

### COMMUNION PRAYER

God be with you, ***and also with you.***

Lift up your hearts. ***We lift them to God.***

Let us give thanks to God Most High.

***It is right to give God thanks and praise.***

...With the faithful in every place and time, we praise with joy your holy name:

***Holy, holy, holy God of love and majesty, the whole universe speaks of your glory, O God Most High.***

### WORDS of INSTITUTION

... we may continue faithful in all things. ***In the strength Christ gives us, we offer ourselves to you, eternal God, and give thanks that you have called us to serve you. Amen.***

### BREAKING of BREAD

***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, for ever and ever. Amen.***

### SHARING the ELEMENTS

(please come forward for communion)

### PRAYER of THANKSGIVING

**Hymn 740** \* 1-2, 4, 7-8

*For all the saints*

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 we celebrate **Holy Communion** – you are **invited to share** in this sacrament. *Parents have the option of bringing their children forward to share the sacrament too.*
- **Today's worship team:**  
**Duty elder:** Heike Hundeiker  
**Reader:** Debbie Hubweber  
**Organ:** Ingeborg Maiwald
- Our **offering** during worship is our main source of income. ***Please give generously.*** Last Sunday's offering totalled € 196.31.
- After worship, you are invited to the **Kirchencafé** next door to the church for refreshments and continued fellowship.
- **Diary for the week ahead:**  
**Wed. 4 Nov.: ECC Choir** 6 pm (Church)  
**Thur. 5 Nov.: Church Council** 7 pm (Halls)  
**Fri. 6 Nov.: Joyful Singers** 7 pm (Halls)
- **Exploring Faith** – our faith discussions continue before worship (from 10:30 to 12:00 in the youth clubroom): talking openly about aspects of the Christian faith over a "second breakfast". Next session: **8 November**.
- **Ecumenical Prayer Cycle** this week is for **Burundi, the Democratic Republic of Congo** and **Rwanda**. More information and prayers at: [www.ecc-bochum.de](http://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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## All Saints' Sunday

### Holy Communion

**"Pax intransibis, salus exeuntibus"**

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

Worship every Sunday at 12.30