

### Watchword for the Week

We know that a person is justified not by the works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ.  
(Galatians 2:16)  
(Moravian Daily Texts 2016)

the realm of God. Help us be justice makers and stand with and on behalf of all who are oppressed, downtrodden, and ignored. **Amen.**

### CHILDREN'S TIME

#### Hymn 564

*Jesus loves me*

### WORDS of ASSURANCE

We are loved – even when we don't take a stand as we should. We are loved – when we make mistakes or turn our backs. We are loved – through all our weakness. We are loved!  
**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

### SHARING GOD'S PEACE

*(Children may join the Kids' Church programme)*

### SCRIPTURE READINGS

Galatians 2:15-21

*NT p. 235*

St. Luke 7:36 – 8:3

*NT p. 85*

*People may stand for the Gospel reading.*

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

#### Hymn 800 \*

*Thuma mina (Send me, Lord)*  
(Hymn of the Month, June 2016)

### SERMON

Pastorin Stefani Haferung  
(Ev. Pauluskirche)

#### Hymn 172 \*

*Sing for God's glory*  
(Offerings are gathered and brought forward)

### DEDICATION PRAYER

**God of justice,**  
**as we bring you our offering today,**  
**we bring more than our money.**  
**As we move through our community**  
**give us hearts to hear the cries of need.**  
**As we see news-stories of the marginalized,**  
**help us speak out against injustice.**  
**In response to your grace,**  
**may we offer all we can to all your creation.**  
**Amen.**

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

### PRAYERS for OTHERS

Work in us, Lord:  
**work in us for good.**

**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.**

#### Hymn 685 \*

*For everyone born a place*

BLESSING and **Threefold Amen** (No. 819)

### ORGAN POSTLUDE

### ORGAN PRELUDE

### WELCOME and CALL to WORSHIP

We gather today in the presence of the God of relationships, **who invites us into community.**

We gather today in the presence of the God of love, **who grants us ears to hear.**

We gather today in the presence of the God of justice, **who grants us courage to act and speak when we see a need.**

Come, let us worship God.

**Hymn 623 \*** *Here in this place / Gather us in*  
People's Choice Hymns are marked with an asterisk (\*)

### PRAYER of APPROACH

Welcoming God, as another day breaks, we come together into this space and we are all welcome. From different places we come, in the whole creation you come and we know your Spirit is here.

May we travel together through this new day.

There are many resources in our world, yet there is little equality with how they are shared.

**Forgive us, we pray.**

There are times when we move in and take that which was not given to us.

**Forgive us, we pray.**

When we believe that our need is greater or we are more deserving, **forgive us, we pray.**

When we choose to ignore the cries of the oppressed, **forgive us, we pray.**

When it is easier to turn our backs than stand with those working for justice, **forgive us, we pray.**

Help us to be more like Jesus, who called the little ones to come to him because that is part of



# 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:**
  - Preacher:** Pastorin Stefani Haferung
  - Duty elder:** Justus Masa
  - Reader:** Eric Obimdi
  - Organ:** Ingeborg Maiwald
- Our **offering** during worship is our main source of income. **Please give generously.**
- After worship, you are invited to the **Kirchencafé** next door to the church for tea, coffee and continued fellowship.
- The WCC **Ecumenical Prayer Cycle** this week focuses on **Angola** and **Mozambique**. Link and details at: [www.ecc-bochum.de](http://www.ecc-bochum.de)
- **Exploring faith** sessions in the present series are planned for Sundays 19 and 26 June at 10:30 a.m. in the youth cellar: Theme: **"Pray like a gourmet"**.
- Please switch all **mobile phones** off or to the mute mode / vibration signal during worship. Thank you.



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**"Pax intrantibus, salus exeuntibus"**

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

Worship every Sunday at 12.30

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