

### Watchword for the Week

O come, let us worship and bow down,  
let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!  
(Psalm 95:6) (Moravian Daily Texts 2017)

*new love,  
where we have turned hard-hearted;  
forgiveness  
where we feel hurt  
and where we have wounded;  
and the joy and freedom  
of your Holy Spirit  
where we are the prisoners of ourselves.*

### WORDS of ASSURANCE

To all and to each where regret is real, God pronounces pardon and grants us the right to begin again. **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

### CHILDREN'S TIME

**Hymn 204 \*** *I am the Church*  
(Children may join the Kids' Church programme)

### SCRIPTURE READINGS

Exodus 17:1-7 OT p. 73

St. John 4:5-42 NT p. 120

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

**Hymn 259** v. 1+2 *Beauty for brokenness*  
(Hymn of the Month, March 2017)

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**Hymn 259** v. 3-5 *Refuge from cruel wars*

### OFFERING

**Choruses** (Please bring forward your offerings and your "healing" prayer requests to the front steps.)

**Dependable, reliable God (2x)**  
**I will do as you say,**  
**you are worthy to be praised,**  
**dependable, reliable God.**

**The most Excellency is Jesus,**  
**Shout Hallelujah, Amen! (2x)**

**He's a miracle working God. (2x)**  
**He's the Alpha and Omega,**  
**He's a miracle working God.**

### DEDICATION PRAYER

**Your love for us, O God, is overwhelming: in the midst of our complaining, you pour out abundant water for us. Now we respond, giving you what we can for the work of your people. Take our gifts, and take us, and use us to share living water with others. Amen.**

### PRAYER for OTHERS

Response: Hear our prayer,  
**and let your Kingdom come.**

### The LORD'S PRAYER

Spoken version: **Hymn 652**, Second Form (b)

### INVITATION

During the next song, those who wish to receive the laying on of hands should come forward and kneel, stand, or sit at the appropriate place. When hands have been laid and prayer said, please make space for others who want to follow.

PRAYER: Look, Lord, on your children, who love your name and need your care. Let your hands be known in the touch of friends.  
**Lord, say the word and we shall be healed.**

**Hymn 694** *Brother, sister, let me serve you*

*If you wish to receive the prayer of blessing and the laying-on of hands, come to sit, stand or kneel in the sanctuary area. You may also share in pronouncing the prayer of blessing on others.*

PRAYER for the LAYING-ON of HANDS  
**Spirit of the living God, present with us now, enter you, body, mind, and spirit, and heal you of all that harms you, in Jesus' name. Amen.**

### SHARING GOD'S PEACE

### NOTICES and CONCLUDING PRAYER

**Hymn 198 \*** *Let us build a house*

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

### ORGAN POSTLUDE

### ORGAN PRELUDE

### WELCOME and CALL to WORSHIP

**Leader:** Christ is like a single body which has many parts.  
**All:** ***It is still one body, though every part is different.***  
**Leader:** Therefore the foot cannot say,  
**Men:** ***I am not part of the body;***  
**Leader:** nor can the ear say,  
**Women:** ***I am not part of the body.***  
**Leader:** The eye cannot say to the hand,  
**Men:** ***I don't need you;***  
**Leader:** nor can the head say to the feet,  
**Women:** ***I don't need you***  
**Leader:** If one part suffers,  
**All:** ***all parts share the pain.***  
**Leader:** If one part is praised,  
**All:** ***all parts share the joy.***  
**Leader:** Together, we are Christ's body:  
**All:** ***each one of us is a part of it.***

**Hymn 720 \*** *There is a longing in our hearts*  
People's Choice Hymns are marked with an asterisk (\*)

### PRAYER of ADORATION...

Response: Hallowed be your name.  
**Hallowed be your name.**

### ...and CONFESSION

Early in the morning  
in the multicoloured company  
of your Church on earth and in heaven,  
we celebrate your creation,  
your life, your death and resurrection,  
your interest in us:  
so to you we pray,  
**Lord, bring new life**  
**where we are worn and tired;**

# 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:** Heike Hundeiher  
**Reader:** Dirk Erlenkämper  
**Music:** Ingeborg Maiwald (Organ)
- 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.
- **Prayers for healing** form part of today's worship. **Write your prayer requests on the enclosed slip** and put them in the basket.
- The WCC **Ecumenical Prayer Cycle** this week focuses on **Cambodia, Laos, and Vietnam**. More info at: [www.ecc-bochum.de](http://www.ecc-bochum.de)
- **International churches** in Bochum are organising multilingual worship for 5 June (Pentecost). Contact Pastor Jimmy if you are interested in joining the planning group.
- Join the **Reforma(c)tion 500** challenge to record **Das Vaterunser in 500 Sprachen und Dialekten**. Ask Michelle Mizuno-Wiedner or visit: <http://www.reformation2017.de/>
- **"Exploring the Bible"** study group sessions are in the *Jugendkeller* of the Church Halls at 10:30 am Sundays. Course booklets: € 15.
- Please switch all **mobile phones** off or to the mute mode / vibration signal during worship. Thank you.



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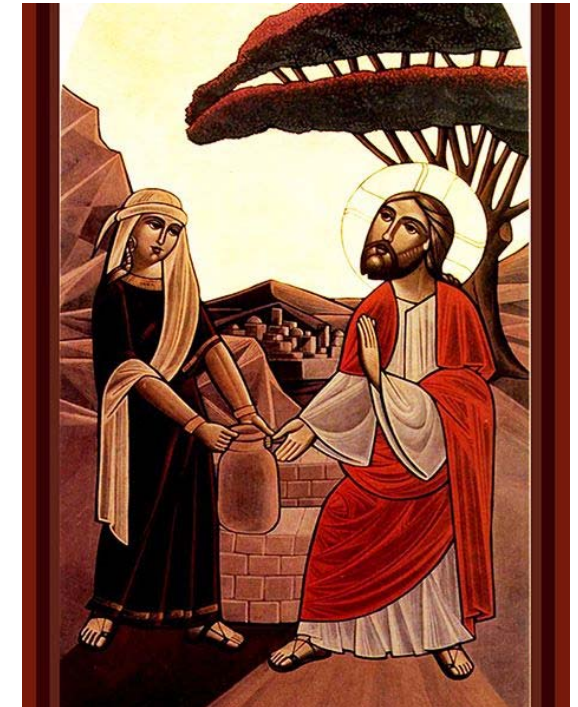
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Jesus and the Samaritan Woman at the Well  
Coptic Orthodox Icon

## Lent 3

### Prayers for Healing

**"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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