Watchword for the Week

O Lord, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth! (Psalm 8:9) (Moravian Daily Texts 2017)

ORGAN PRELUDE

WELCOME and CALL to WORSHIP (Verses from Psalm 8)

O LORD, our Lord, your greatness is seen in all the world! Your praise reaches up to the heavens; it is sung by children and babies.

When I look at the sky, which you have made, at moon and stars, which you set in their places: what are human beings, that you think of them; mere mortals, that you care for them?

Yet you made them inferior only to yourself; you crowned them with glory and honour.

You appointed them rulers over everything you made; you placed them over all creation: sheep and cattle, and the wild animals too; the birds and the fish and the creatures in the seas.

O LORD, our Lord, your greatness is seen in all the world!

Hymn 146 * From all that dwell People's Choice Hymns are marked with an asterisk (*)

PRAYER of APPROACH

From "A Wee Worship Book" (Wild Goose Resource Group)

All you works of God, all you mighty heavens; all you angels of light, all you saints in glory, worship and praise your maker.

All you heavenly bodies; sun, moon and stars; all you earthly weathers: wind, rain and thunder, worship and praise your maker.

Fire and searing heat, ice and deadly cold; light and deepest dark, endless nights and days, worship and praise your maker.

Mountains and high hills, forests and trees; flowers and plants, waterfalls and streams, worship and praise your maker.

Whales beneath the seas, birds in the skies; all that leaps or crawls, creatures wild and tame, worship and praise your maker.

People, young and old, children, women, men; all who do heaven's will, all who love the Lord, worship and praise your maker.

(Silence)

You do not need our praise, but we need to praise you. It is the yearning, the restlessness which you have planted in us. It is our desire for a true home and unconditional acceptance that brings us here.

All the rumours we have heard about you are true: You love. You forgive. You transform.

And you know us ... oh, how you know us. You perceive what in us needs to be loved, what in us needs to be forgiven, and what in us needs to be changed.

We need no more words, just penitence.

Hymn 776 * Kyrie eleison (Lord, have mercy)

WORDS of ASSURANCE

These are the words of Jesus. They are strong and true, so believe them: "I have come that you may have life in all its fullness." "Go in peace; your sins are forgiven: Come, each one, and follow me." So now may God help us to live as a forgiven people – visibly different, gloriously free, for Jesus' sake. *Amen.*

Hymn 665 One bread, one body, one Lord (Hymn of the Month, June 2017)

CHILDREN'S TIME

SHARING GOD'S PEACE

(Children may join the Kids' Church programme)

SCRIPTURE READINGS 🕮

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

NT p. 232

St. Matthew 28:16-20

People may stand for the Gospel reading.
The word of God: **Thanks be to God!**

Hymn 600 Spirit of God, unseen as the wind

NT p. 44

SERMON Rev. Prof. Mark Burrows

Hymn 111 * Holy, holy, holy! (Offerings are gathered and brought forward)

DEDICATION PRAYER (in unison)

Threefold God, we pray that you will continue to bless our world, our nation, and our Church. Distinct yet united, diverse yet interwoven; call your people, all your people into the communion of your love, where each is named and known. This we pray in the love of the Father, the healing of the Son, and the comfort of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (See Notices overleaf)

PRAYERS for OTHERS

Response: God of mystery and compassion,

you know us and you love us.

The LORD'S PRAYER

(Please pray in your own preferred language / version.)

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, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Hymn 110 * Glory be to God the Father

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:

Rev. Prof. Mark Burrows Preacher:

Duty elder: Heike Hundeiker Reader: Marcus Sarpong Organ: Ingeborg Maiwald

- > Our **offering** during worship is our main source of income. Please give generously.
- > The WCC **Ecumenical Prayer Cycle** this week focuses on Angola and Mozambique. Link to prayers from: www.ecc-bochum.de
- > 'Hagar'- a Global Opera Performance is a theatre production involving local Jewish. Moslem, Christian groups (including our own **ECC Choir**) at the Bochum Kammerspiele

Thursday, 29 June at 19:30 hrs Premiere (few remaining tickets available)

Sunday, 2 July at 19:00 hrs tickets € 11.00 - € 30.50 (€ 7.00 - € 15.50)

- > Join the das Vaterunser in 500 Sprachen und Dialekten challenge! Talk to Michelle or visit: http://www.reformaction2017.de/.
- > Please switch all **mobile phones** off or to the mute mode / vibration signal during worship. Thank you.





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Trinity Sunday

"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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