

Watchword for the Week

Jesus says, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all."

(Mark 9:35)

(Moravian Daily Texts 2018)

All: **God, you know us.
You know that we can be loving and kind;
and you know that sometimes we get things wrong.
We're sorry for the times we hurt other people,
forget to listen to you and don't bother to take care of your world.**

Leader: May God forgive you,
Jesus bless you, and God's Spirit help you to grow in love.

All: **Amen.**

Leader: We sing together the prayer which Jesus taught his friends.

The LORD'S PRAYER (sung – see insert)

SAYING YES *(Standing)*

Because God cares for us,
we will care for each other.

Because we are part of God's creation,
we will care for the earth.

Because we are loved by God,
we will share God's love with everyone.

SHARING GOD'S PEACE

SCRIPTURE READING 

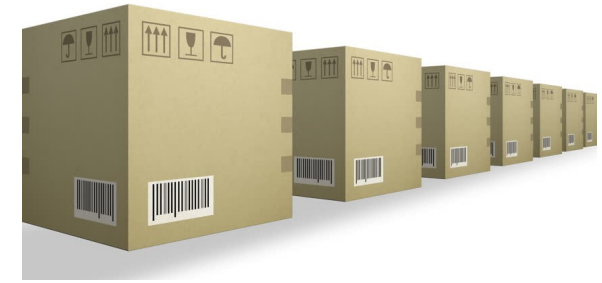
Isaiah 65:17-25 OT p. 728 (729)

Leader: For words that tell stories,
for words that make us laugh and cry,
for words that make us think,

All: **Thank you God.**

Hymn 241 * *Isaiah the prophet has written*

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Hymn 528 * *Make me a channel of your peace
(Offerings are gathered and brought forward)*

DEDICATION PRAYER

It's a new day. Twenty-four hours of it.
Time to go for a walk.
Time to do the washing-up.
Time to ask questions.
Time to think and be quiet.
Time to try something new.

**It's a new day. Walk beside us, God.
Enjoy the day with us.
We want to share it with you. Amen.**

NOTICES

PRAYERS for OTHERS

Hymn 198 * *Let us build a house*

CLOSING WORDS

This is the day that God has made:
we will rejoice and enjoy it.

Today we will share with God
everything that is important to us.

Go in peace and be kind.
Today we will help those around us.

Go in the name of God,
God who loves us for ever.

(Objects brought in during the opening responses are now carried out of Church, the congregation follows)

ORGAN POSTLUDE

ORGAN PRELUDE

WELCOME and OPENING WORDS

The world belongs to God,
the earth and all its people.
(A large globe is brought forward)

It is good to live in community,
to work and talk with each other.
(A tea-towel is brought forward)

Love and faith come together;
justice and peace join hands.
(A Bible is brought forward)

If the friends of Jesus keep silent,
these stones would shout aloud.
(A handful of stones is brought forward)

We are glad to be in God's house,
to listen and sing and pray.
(A lit candle is brought forward)

Hymn 185 * *Come, children, join and sing*
People's Choice Hymns are marked with an asterisk (*)

SAYING SORRY *(Sitting)*

Leader: God, you know me.
You know that I can be loving and kind;
and you know that sometimes I get things wrong.
I'm sorry for the times I hurt other people,
forget to listen to you and don't bother to take care of your world.

All: **May God forgive you,
Jesus bless you, and God's Spirit help you to grow in love.**

Leader: 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: Heike Hundeiker

Reader: Joana Masa

Organist: Christof Hilmer

➤ Our **offering** during worship is our main source of income. **Please give generously.** Last Sunday's offering totalled € **178.00**.

➤ After worship, the **Kirchencafé** is open for tea, coffee, and continued fellowship.

➤ The WCC **Ecumenical Prayer Cycle** this week focuses on **Belarus, Moldova, Russia** and **Ukraine**. Link from www.ecc-bochum.de

➤ **Dates to note:**

Saturday, 29 September 11-15 h: Public speaking workshop with Rev. Eric Foggitt, Pariser Strasse and/or Pauluskirche. Let Pastor Jimmy know if you wish to attend.

Sunday, 7 October 12:30 h: Harvest Festival Worship. Please invite friends and bring harvest goods, to be auctioned after worship. Buffet meal afterwards – please also bring food to share together.

➤ Please switch all **mobile phones** off or to the mute mode / vibration signal during worship. Thank you.



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Creation Season

"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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