

Watchword for the Week

For dominion belongs to the Lord,
and he rules over the nations.

(Psalm 22:28)

(Moravian Daily Texts 2019)

WORDS of ASSURANCE

Hear these words of Jesus
which summon us and give us life:
“Don’t be afraid.” “You are forgiven.”
“I call you friends.” “Come and follow me.”
Thanks be to God! Amen.

CHILDREN’S TIME

SHARING GOD’S PEACE

(Children may join the Kids’ Church programme)

SCRIPTURE READINGS 

1 Kings 19:1-4, 8-15a OT p. 363 (361)

Hymn 485 * *Dear Lord and Father of mankind*

5 MINUTES ...on divine whispers

St. Luke 8:26-39 NT p. 90

Hymn 352(2) * *O for a thousand tongues*
(Hymn of the Month, June 2019)

5 MINUTES ...on flying pigs

Hymn 502 * *Take my life, Lord, let it be*
(Offerings are gathered and brought forward)

PRAYER of COMMITMENT

Source: Iona Abbey Worship Book (2017)

God of new beginnings,
you long for us to live in love and justice
with our neighbours,
with friends and strangers,
with people everywhere.

**You call us to be just and loving
in our working,
in our shopping,
in our caring
and through our prayers.**

Jesus, you were a storyteller,
you talked about money, wages and taxes,
you told stories about integrity and forgiveness,
you helped people who were in trouble,
you listened to people who were sad.

**You call us to live as you did –
to listen to each other,
to be forgiving, and to love our neighbours
as we love ourselves.**

Holy Spirit,
we are discovering what you ask of us.
You are wild and wise and you speak the truth.
You challenge and comfort us,
you breathe life into us,
you shout in the streets
and you whisper in our ears.

**You remind us what Jesus taught and
practised, you take us to task,
you tell us to turn around;
you call us to walk in Love’s way.**

Holy Trinity,
God’s love in community,
**every day,
in all our living,
help us to say yes to you.
Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS *See Notices overleaf*

PRAYERS for OTHERS

Response: Lord in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

The LORD’S PRAYER *Hymn 652 Second Form (b)*
(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 533 * *Will you come and follow me?*

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

ORGAN POSTLUDE

ORGAN PRELUDE

WELCOME and CALL to WORSHIP

Source: Iona Abbey Worship Book (2017)

O God, who called all life into being,
the earth, sea and sky are yours.

Your presence is all around us;
every atom is full of your energy.

Your Spirit enlivens all who walk the earth.
**With her we yearn for justice to be done,
for creation to be free from threat,
for the hungry to be fed,
for captives to be released,
for your kingdom of peace to come on earth.**

Hymn 251 * *I, the Lord of sea and sky*
People’s Choice Hymns are marked with an asterisk (*)

PRAYER of APPROACH

Source: Iona Abbey Worship Book (2017)

O God, gladly we live and move
and have our being in you.
Yet always in the midst of creation’s glory,
we see sin’s shadow and feel death’s darkness.

It is around us in the earth, sea and sky,
in the abuse of matter.

It is beside us
in the broken, the hungry and the poor,
in the betrayal of one another;
and often, deep within us,
in a striving against your Spirit.

**O Trinity of Love, forgive us
that we may forgive one another,
heal us that we may become
people of healing, and renew us
that we may be makers of peace.
Amen.**

Notices

- **“All are welcome in this place.”** *Good you're here!* Please add your name and post or e-mail address to the book at the back of church to receive details of upcoming events.
- **Today's worship team:**
 - Liturgy and reflections:**
Jade Ableitner
Michelle Mizuno-Wiedner
 - Duty elder:** Derick Fonjong
 - Reader:** Marcus Sarpong
 - Organ:** Thomas Schwarz
- Our **offering** during worship is our main source of income. **Please give generously.**
- After worship, the **Kirchencafé** is open till 3 o'clock for tea, coffee and fellowship.
- The WCC **Ecumenical Prayer Cycle** this week focuses on **Kenya** and **Tanzania**. Link to prayers from 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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*Ah, the fragrance of new grass!
I hear His footsteps coming –
The Lord of the Resurrection!*
(Japanese Haiku poem)



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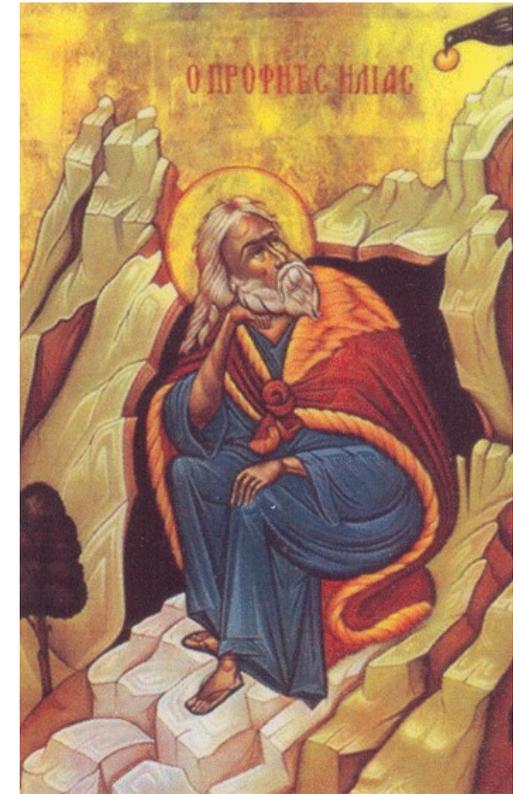
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Second Sunday after Pentecost

“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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