Watchword for the Week So let us not grow weary in doing what is right. (Galatians 6:9) (Moravian Daily Texts 2019)

## ORGAN PRELUDE

WELCOME and CALL to WORSHIP (Verse from Psalm 30) I praise you, LORD, because you have saved me; you have saved me and kept me from the grave.

I cried to you for help, O LORD my God, and you healed me; *I was on my way to the depths below, but you restored my life.* 

Sing praises to the LORD, all his faithful people! *Remember what the Holy One has done, and give him thanks!* 

His anger lasts only a moment, *his goodness for a lifetime.* Tears may flow in the night, *but joy comes in the morning.* 

You have changed my sadness into a joyful dance; You have taken away my sorrow and surrounded me with joy.

So I will not be silent; I will sing praise to you. LORD, you are my God, I will give you thanks for ever.

Hymn 518 \* Lift up your hearts! People's Choice Hymns are marked with an asterisk (\*) (Children may join the Kids' Church programme)

#### PRAYER of APPROACH

O God, who have we ignored? Endless questions from a child... Uninvited advice from an elder... Cries from the margins... We never expected the words of heaven to come from their mouths. We had closed our minds, God. Open our hearts.

O God, who have we ignored? People from a different culture... Someone speaking a different language... Those we condemn by association to religion, politics, income, appearance... *We had closed our minds, God. Open our hearts.* 

O God, who have we ignored? The ones who we do not want as neighbours... Those of different genders, different lifestyles, and different opinions...

We had closed our minds, God. Open our hearts. Amen.

#### WORDS of AFFIRMATION

In our confession, God hears us and forgives us. *We go now with open minds to listen for God.* 

Hymn 522 \* The Church is wherever...

### SCRIPTURE READINGS

Galatians 6:1-10	NT p. 238
St. Luke 10:1-11 People may stand for the Gospel reading. The word of God: <b>Thanks be to God!</b>	NT p. 90

Hymn 532 \* Lord, you have come to the seashore (Hymn of the Month, July 2019)

SERMON

Rev James Brown

Hymn 685 \* For everyone born, a place (Offerings are gathered and brought forward)

The APOSTLES' CREED (No. 628 in the Church Hymnary)

PRAYERS for OTHERS <u>Response</u>: God, in your mercy, *bring healing, bring peace.*  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.

## THANKSGIVING PRAYER

The Lord be with you, **and also with you.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to God.** Let us give thanks to God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

...We give you thanks and praise. *We give you thanks and praise.* 

...So, gladly, we join our voices to those of earth, sea and sky, in the universal hymn of praise which echoes through time and eternity:

# Hymn 769 \*

Holy, holy, holy!

# WORDS of INSTITUTION

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, *have mercy on us.* 

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Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, *give us your peace.* 

COMMUNION (Please come forward to share)

SHARING GOD'S PEACE

NOTICES and CLOSING PRAYER

Hymn 519 \* Love divine, all loves excelling

BLESSING and Threefold Amen (No. 819)

ORGAN POSTLUDE

# 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 we celebrate Holy Communion you are *invited to share* in this sacrament, including your children if you so wish.

> Today's worship team:

Duty elder:Heike HundeikerReader:Dirk ErlenkämperOrgan:Katharina ZentgrafKids' Church:Gundi DehlingSylke Hallmann

- > Our offering during worship is our main source of income. *Please give generously.* Last Sunday's offering totalled € 101.65.
- After worship, the Kirchencafé is open till 3 o'clock for tea, coffee and fellowship.
- The WCC Ecumenical Prayer Cycle this week focuses on Eritrea and Ethiopia. Link to prayers from <u>www.ecc-bochum.de</u>
- Please switch all mobile phones off or to the mute mode / vibration signal during worship. Thank you.





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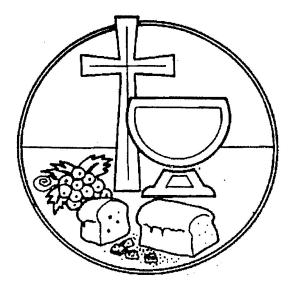
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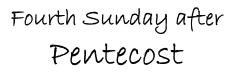
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**"Pax intrantibus, salus exeuntibus"** "On entering, peace – on departure, blessing" (Pauluskirche Bochum – Porch Inscription 1655)

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