

Watchword for the Week

Make me to know your ways, O Lord;
teach me your paths.

(Psalm 25:4)

(Moravian Daily Texts 2019)

ORGAN PRELUDE

WELCOME and CALL to WORSHIP

Let us worship God our Creator
with all our hearts.

Let us give thanks for God the Son
with all our minds.

Let us welcome the Holy Spirit
with all our strength.

Let us love our neighbour
as ourselves. Amen.

Hymn 528 * Make me a channel of your peace

People's Choice Hymns are marked with an asterisk (*)

(Children may join the Kids' Church programme)

PRAYER of APPROACH

God of grace and truth,
we give thanks for life in all its fullness.

Not an easy life,
but a life full of support and encouragement
to confront difficulties and challenges.

Hymn 767

Hallelujah, hallelujah

Not a pain-free life,
but a life full of love and care
to comfort in suffering.

♪ *Hallelujah, hallelujah...*

Not a life of luxury,
but a life with enough
for freedom from fear.

♪ *Hallelujah, hallelujah...*

Not a life of possession,
but a life full of wonder
to delight in each day.

♪ *Hallelujah, hallelujah...*

Not a driven life,
but a life freely-given
and free to receive.

♪ *Hallelujah, hallelujah...*

Not a life without meaning,
but a life of being needed
and not taken for granted.

♪ *Hallelujah, hallelujah...*

Not a quiet life,
but a life full of passion
for justice and joy.

♪ *Hallelujah, hallelujah...*

For fullness of life, we give thanks, O God,
and as we pray for ourselves,
we pray for all people, made in your image
to know life in all its fullness. **Amen.**

WORDS of AFFIRMATION

This, then, is the good news: We share in the
promises God made to all people. God who
gave us life gives us new life that we may live
out his love. **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

CHILDREN'S TIME

Hymn 547 * What a friend we have in Jesus

SCRIPTURE READINGS 

Psalms 82 OT p. 588 (587)

St. Luke 10:25-37 NT p. 91

People may stand for the Gospel reading.

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

Hymn 544 * When I needed a neighbour

SERMON Inconvenient Love
1/3 "You don't mean him!"

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

DEDICATION PRAYER

**God of grace and compassion, may our gifts
enable your church to be a place where
strangers become friends,
outcasts are welcomed,
seekers receive,
and doubters find faith.
In Jesus' name. Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS See also Notices overleaf

SHARING GOD'S PEACE

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

PRAYERS for OTHERS

Response: God of justice, **show yourself.**

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 739 * The Church's one foundation

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's worship team:**
 - Duty elder:** Debbie Hubweber
 - Reader:** Herold Dehling
 - Liturgy:** James Brown
 - Sermon:** Jade Ableitner
 - Organ:** Erwin Mosel
- 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 **Djibouti** and **Somalia**. Link to prayers from www.ecc-bochum.de
- The **Sensible Shoes Book Club** for women of the ECC begins soon! For dates and more information, contact Jade Ableitner
- **'No more war in Cameroon?'** a recent church information event held in Bern, Switzerland featuring Cameroon human rights lawyer Agbor Nkongho can be viewed on YouTube: <https://youtu.be/OU227S0C10k>
- The **ECC Choir** will resume regular weekly practices under its new director Hendrik Ziser on Wednesday, 4 September at 6 p.m. – *New singers are always welcome!*
- Please switch all **mobile phones** off or to the mute mode / vibration signal during worship. Thank you.



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Fifth 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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