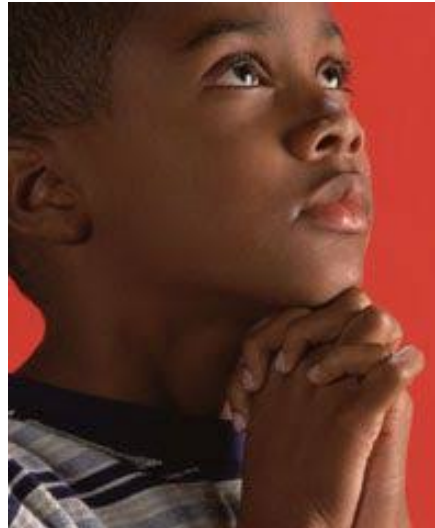


Watchword for the Week

Lord, teach us to pray.
(Luke 11:1)
(Moravian Daily Texts 2019)

CHILDREN'S TIME



Hymn 771 * *If you believe and I believe*

SHARING GOD'S PEACE

(Children may join the Kids' Church programme)

SCRIPTURE READINGS 

Psalm 85 OT p. 589

St. Luke 11:1-13 NT p. 92

People may stand for the Gospel reading.

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

Hymn 229 * *We plough the fields and scatter*

SERMON Inconvenient Love
3/3 "You're not for real!"

Hymn 641 * *Seek ye first the kingdom of God*
(Offerings are gathered and brought forward)

DEDICATION PRAYER

**Lord, you are the giver of every good gift.
Accept these offerings we pray,
that through them we may do justice,
and love and kindness,**

**and walk humbly with you,
our Sovereign and our God. Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS *See Notices overleaf*

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

PRAYERS for OTHERS

In all things, Father, **let your will be done.**

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 124 * *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

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

ORGAN POSTLUDE

In the beginning God was.
Today God is.
Tomorrow God will be.
Who could possibly make
an image of God?
God does not have a body.
God is a word that
springs from our mouths.
And what a word!
There is nothing more to be said.
God is the past, and yet God is.
That is what God is.

(Pygmy Prayer from Congo)

ORGAN PRELUDE

ENTRY of the BIBLE *Please stand if able to*

WELCOME and CALL to WORSHIP

One day, God's reign will come to pass:
**Love and faithfulness will come together.
Justice and peace will be as one.**

A time will come when those who have felt
distanced from God will feel at home again.
**Love and faithfulness will come together.
Justice and peace will be as one.**

God's glory will dwell in our land,
and truth shall spring up from the earth.
**Love and faithfulness will come together.
Justice and peace will be as one.**

The time is now! God's reign is here!
Come, let us worship God!

Hymn 556 * *I need thee every hour*
People's Choice Hymns are marked with an asterisk (*)

PRAYER of APPROACH

Holy God,
King of Kings.
You are our generous teacher,
our constant friend.
We live by the hope of your promises.
Help us to seek to follow your way,
and to rely on the gift of your Spirit,
by whose power we breathe, and move,
and pray. **Amen.**

WORDS of AFFIRMATION

Hear this from God's Word:
Neither death nor life, powers nor rulers, things
present nor future, nor anything else in all
creation can separate us from the love of God
in Christ Jesus. **Thanks be to God. 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:**
 - Duty elder:** Herold Dehling
 - Reader:** Renate Schwarz
 - Minister:** 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 the **Republic of Congo, Gabon** and **Sao Tome and Principe**. Link to prayers from www.ecc-bochum.de
- The **Sensible Shoes Book Club** for women of the ECC begins on 1 August! More detailed information from Jade Ableitner.
- 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!*
- Our worship during the **Musiksommer** festival on **8 September** will be ecumenical and open-air at the *Kuhhirten* (Cowherd) Monument and will begin at 11 a.m.!!!!
- **‘No more war in Cameroon?’** Link to this recent church information event in Bern (CH) on YouTube: <https://youtu.be/OU227S0CI0k>
- Please switch all **mobile phones** off or to the mute mode / vibration signal during worship. Thank you.



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Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

“Pax intransibus, salus exeuntibus”
“On entering, peace – on departure, blessing”
(Pauluskirche Bochum – Porch Inscription 1655)

Worship every Sunday at 12.30

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