

ORGAN PRELUDE

ENTRY of the BIBLE *Please stand if you are able to while the Bible is brought into church. (This is a widespread tradition in many Protestant churches.)*

WORDS of WELCOME

Watchword for the Week

Let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith. (Hebrews 12:2)

CALL to WORSHIP

As we gather for worship,
shock us and disturb us, Lord.

When we lose sight of the poor and the marginalised, **shock us and disturb us.**

When justice fails to pour like running streams,
shock us and disturb us.

When our faith becomes weary,
shock us and disturb us.

As we gather for worship,
shock us and disturb us. Amen.

Hymn 263 *God of freedom, God of justice*

People's Choice Hymns are marked with an asterisk (*)
(Hymn of the Month, August 2019)

PRAYER of APPROACH

Move among us, God; give us life;
let your people rejoice in you.

Give us again the joy of your help;
with your spirit of freedom sustain us.

God, make our hearts clean,
restore us in body, mind and spirit.

Leader: Trusting in God's forgiveness,
let us in silence confess our failings
and acknowledge our part
in the pain of the world.

(Silence)

Leader: Before God,
with the people of God,
I confess to turning away from God

in the ways I wound my life,
the lives of others
and the life of the world.

All: **May God forgive you,
Christ renew you, and the Spirit
enable you to grow in love.**

Leader: Amen.

All: **Before God,
with the people of God,
we confess to turning away from God
in the ways we wound our lives,
the lives of others
and the life of the world.**

Leader: May God forgive you,
Christ renew you, and the Spirit
enable you to grow in love.

All: **Amen.**

Choir *Come and see what the Lord has done*

CHILDREN'S TIME



SHARING GOD'S PEACE

(Children may join the Kids' Church programme)

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Hebrews 11:29 – 12:2 *NT p. 285 (283)*

Hymn 757 *Come all you people*

St. Luke 12:49-56 *NT p. 96*

People may stand for the Gospel reading.

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

Hymn 742 * *Rejoice in God's saints*

SERMON *Rev James Brown*

Hymn 502 * *Take my life and let it be*

OFFERING

Choir *Give, it shall be given unto you
(Please bring your offerings forward to the basket)*

DEDICATION PRAYER

**Like countless others before us, O God,
we offer ourselves to you.
Take all that we have and are,
and use that for the work
of making your reign real
on earth as it is in heaven.
Amen.**

PRAYERS for OTHERS

God of 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 152 * *Praise the Lord, his glories show*

BLESSING and **Threefold Amen (No. 819)**
Please remain standing while the Bible is removed.

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:** Heinrich Ohlendorf
 - Music:** Erwin Mosel (Organ)
Sounds of Harmony Choir
- 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 **Liberia** and **Sierra Leone**. Link from www.ecc-bochum.de
- The **ECC Choir** resumes on Wednesday, 4 September at 6 p.m. *New singers welcome!*
- **Musiksommer** worship on **8 September** is ecumenical and open-air at the *Kuhhirten* (Cowherd) Monument and begins at 11 a.m.!
- The next **Sensible Shoes Book Club** for women session is *Thursday 12 September* from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. in the Kirchencafé.
- Please switch all **mobile phones** off or to the mute mode / vibration signal during worship. Thank you.



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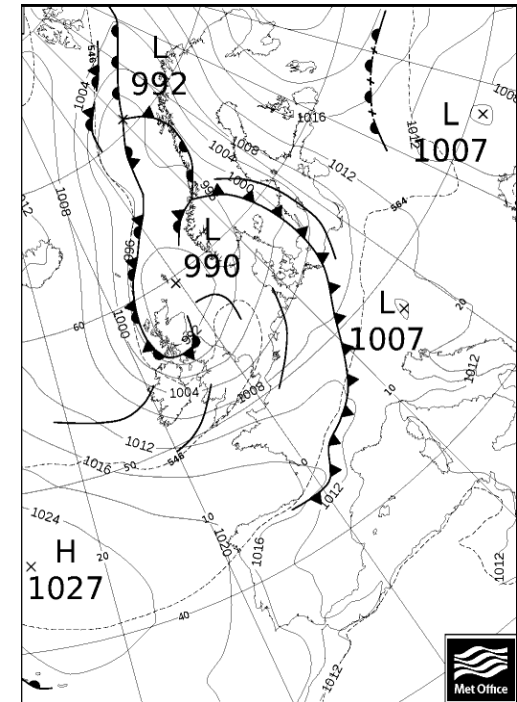
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Bochum, Germany

18 August 2019



Met Office 120-hour weather-forecast map
valid till 12 GMT, Sunday 18 August 2019
(Luke 12:56)

Tenth 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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