

### Watchword for the Week

Proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favourable or unfavourable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching.

(2 Timothy 4:2)

(Moravian Daily Texts 2019)

### ORGAN PRELUDE

*As is the tradition in many churches, please stand if you are able while the Bible is carried into church.*

### WELCOME and CALL to WORSHIP

(Psalm 121 – New Revised Standard Version)

I lift up my eyes to the hills –  
from where will my help come?

***My help comes from the LORD,  
who made heaven and earth.***

He will not let your foot be moved;  
he who keeps you will not slumber.

***He who keeps Israel  
will neither slumber nor sleep.***

The LORD is your keeper;  
the LORD is your shade at your right hand.

***The sun shall not strike you by day,  
nor the moon by night.***

The LORD will keep you from all evil;  
he will keep your life.

***The LORD will keep your going out  
and your coming in from this time on  
and forevermore.***

**Hymn 189 \*** *Be still, for the presence...*  
People's Choice Hymns are marked with an asterisk (\*)

### PRAYER of APPROACH

No matter how far from God we may  
seem to be, we do not lose heart:

***For the days are surely coming,  
says the Lord.***

No matter how many obstacles we face in life,  
in the church, we do not lose heart:

***For the days are surely coming,  
says the Lord.***

No matter how hard it is to continually pray  
and work for justice, we do not lose heart:

***For the days are surely coming,  
says the Lord,  
when I will forgive and restore my people;  
when I will equip them for every good work;  
and when I will grant justice,  
for I hear their cries day and night.***

### DECLARATION of FORGIVENESS

The Scriptures are given to correct our ways,  
to train us in righteousness,  
and to equip us for every good work.  
In the presence of God and Christ Jesus,  
who is the only judge of the living and the dead,  
we give thanks for the gift of forgiveness.  
***By the grace of Christ,  
we will be persistent and patient  
in the life of faith to which we are called.***

### CHILDREN'S TIME

**Hymn 530 \*** *One more step along the world*

### SHARING GOD'S PEACE

(Children may join the Kids' Church programme)

### SCRIPTURE READINGS

Psalms 119:97-112 OT p. 268 (267)

St. Luke 18:1-8 NT p. 102

People may stand for the Gospel reading.

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

**Hymn 64** *Sing all creation, sing to God*  
(Hymn of the Month, October 2019)

SERMON 'From the old things to the new'  
Jade Ableitner (Probationer)

**Hymn 710 \*** *I have a dream, a man once said*  
(Offerings are gathered and brought forward)

### DEDICATION PRAYER

***God of generous providing, you have given  
us so many gifts that enrich our lives. We  
belong to you, and all that we have belongs  
to you. Use these offerings, we pray, in  
service of the justice you are establishing  
through your kingdom in Christ Jesus our  
Lord. Amen.***

### ANNOUNCEMENTS See Notices overleaf

**Hymn 547 \*** *What a friend we have in Jesus*

### PRAYERS for OTHERS

Lord, we love your ways:  
***our help comes from you.***

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 132 \*** *Immortal, invisible, God only wise*

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

### ORGAN POSTLUDE

*Please stand if able while the Bible is carried out.*

# 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
  - Organ:** Hendrik Ziser
- 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 Caribbean.*** Link to prayers from [www.ecc-bochum.de](http://www.ecc-bochum.de)
- Next **ECC Choir** practice is on Wednesday, 23 October at 6 p.m. [here in the church.](#) *New singers are always especially welcome!*
- The next **Sensible Shoes Book Club** meeting will take place on **Thursday 21 November** at the usual time and place of 6.30pm-8.00pm at the Kirchencafé. This will be the last meeting of this year, so please join us for a Christmas themed evening! Ladies are encouraged to wear Christmas inspired jumpers and to bring along a Christmas snack that can be shared. For further information contact Jade Ableitner.
- Please switch all **mobile phones** off or to the mute mode / vibration signal during worship. Thank you.



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## Nineteenth 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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