



### Watchword for the Week (Moravian Daily Texts 2020)

Jesus said, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me." (Matthew 16:24)

### CHURCH BELLS OF THE PAULUSKIRCHE

**GATHERING CHORUS:** *In ressurectione tua, Christe* (Taizé Virtual Choir)

In resurrection tua, Christe, coeli et terra laetentur.  
(Let heaven and earth rejoice in your resurrection, O Christ.)

**WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP** (responses in bold-face italics)

As we prepare individually to worship you, O Lord,  
***test our hearts and minds, try us and prove us.***

As we gather together online to worship you,  
***may we trust you without wavering,  
walking with integrity.***

As we each focus our minds so we can worship you,  
***may we sing in our souls with thanksgiving,  
telling of your wondrous deeds.***

As we gather in virtual community to worship you,  
***may we truly praise you wherever we each are,  
knowing that your glory dwells everywhere. Amen.***

### OPENING SONG

*Here I Am to Worship* (Hillsong) sung by Charlotte Kreimer

### OPENING PRAYER

**GOSPEL READING:** St. Matthew 16:21-28 (Good News New Testament, page 25)  
The word of God: ***Thanks be to God!***

**HYMN:** *Will you come and follow me?* (Church Hymnary 533)

**REFLECTION:** Solid Rocks and Stumbling Blocks

**HYMN** *One more step along the world I go* (Church Hymnary 530)

### NOTICES

### PRAYERS FOR OTHERS

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

(Please pray in your 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.***

**BLESSING** (spoken together)

***The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all,  
now and evermore. Amen.***

### ORGAN POSTLUDE:

Sigfrid Karg-Elert, "Solit ich meinem Gott nicht singen?"  
(Hendrik Ziser on the organ of the Pauluskirche)