



GATHERING MUSIC Bless the Lord, O my soul! (Yamma Ensemble)

Psalm 104 sung in ancient Hebrew: a poem about the creation of the world that has long been known simply as the "Creation Psalm"

Watchword for the Week (Moravian Daily Texts 2020)

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus. (Philippians 2:5)

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

Hungry for a faith that sustains us, we pray:

be present among us now, O God.

Thirsty for justice and peace, we pray:

be present among us now, O God.

As people on a journey, seeking your promise, we pray:

be present among us now, O God.

Called to choose the freedom of your love, we pray:

be present among us now, O God.

OPENING PRAYER

CHILDREN'S TIME Weeding and Watering

SHARING GOD'S PEACE

GOSPEL READING St. Matthew 21:23-32 (Good News New Testament, page 31)

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

HYMN *Heaven shall not wait* (Church Hymnary 362)

1. *Heaven shall not wait for the poor to lose their patience, the scorned to smile, the despised to find a friend: Jesus is Lord; he has championed the unwanted; in him injustice confronts its timely end.*
2. *Heaven shall not wait for the rich to share their fortunes, the proud to fall, the élite to tend the least: Jesus is Lord; he has shown the master's privilege – to kneel and wash servants' feet before the feast.*
3. *Heaven shall not wait for the dawn of great ideas, thoughts of compassion divorced from cries of pain: Jesus is Lord; he has married word and action; his cross and company make his purpose plain.*
4. *Heaven shall not wait for triumphant Hallelujahs, when earth has passed and we reach another shore: Jesus is Lord in our present imperfection; his power and love are for now; and then for evermore.*

REFLECTION Nit-picking and Declarations of Intent

NOTICES AND PRAYERS FOR OTHERS

Response: This is our prayer: ***help us to know and do your will.***

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.

HYMN *Make me a channel of your peace* (Church Hymnary 528)

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.

CLOSING MUSIC *Crucifixion* (Piano Instrumental, Arizona Dranes, 1926)

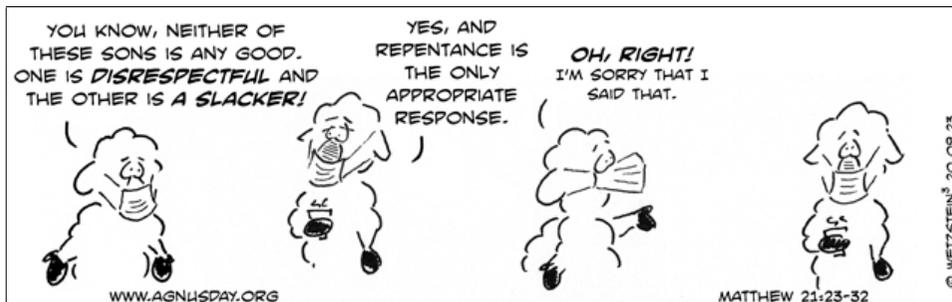
NOTICES

- **Zoom Worship** is held live every Sunday at our regular worship time of 12.30 p.m. So that numbers can increase, please share the Zoom access link with friends. Worship bulletins are posted weekly on our website <http://ecc-bochum.de/> from where you can always download a copy in PDF file format a few days in advance.
- For **data protection** reasons, no audio or video recordings of our Zoom worship services are permitted. Please comply to respect each other's privacy. Thanks!
- The focus of the **Ecumenical Prayer Cycle** this week is on Colombia, Ecuador and Venezuela. You are encouraged to hold these countries and their peoples in your prayers throughout the coming week. Link to more details from our website, or visit: <https://www.oikoumene.org/en/resources/prayer-cycle/colombia-ecuador-venezuela>
- Links to many other **online worship resources** provided by various churches have been posted on our website at: <http://ecc-bochum.de/online-resources/>
- The **Pauluskirche** is open from Tuesday to Saturday from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. for individual and private prayer. Standard hygiene precautions apply in church.
- The **Weltladen** (Fair Trade Store) reopens this week on Market Days (Tuesday and Friday) from 14-17 hrs and on Saturday from 11-17 hrs. Volunteers are urgently needed so that the store can open more frequently. Please speak to Pastor Jimmy.
- Our **weekly offerings** during worship, always our congregation's main source of income, have been dramatically affected by the corona crisis. If you are able, you are invited to donate by bank transfer in order that the ECC may continue to cover ongoing costs. Bank account details are as shown here. *Thank you.*

Bank Account: "Englische Gemeinde"

IBAN: DE89 4305 0001 0001 4132 36

SWIFT-BIC: WELADED1BOC (Sparkasse Bochum)



More lectionary cartoons at: <https://www.agnusday.org>

CHILDREN'S COLOURING PAGE

JESUS TEACHING IN THE TEMPLE



More colouring pages at: <https://sermons4kids.com/>