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PRELUDE: "Sollt ich meinem Gott nicht singen?" (Sigfrid Karg-Elert)

Watchword for the Week (Moravian Daily Texts 2021)
We do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord
and ourselves as servants for Jesus' sake. (2 Corinthians 4:5)

WELCOME & OPENING RESPONSES (responses in bold-face italics)

God comes and does not keep silent, calling to the heavens and earth, calling to all people of faith. **We answer God's call.**

God calls us each by name, chosen and loved, known and seen. We answer God's call, we gather to worship.

HYMN Be still, for the glory of the Lord (Church Hymnary 189)

- Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One, is here; come bow before him now with reverence and fear: in him no sin is found we stand on holy ground. Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One, is here.
- Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around; he burns with holy fire, with splendour he is crowned: how awesome is the sight our radiant king of light! Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around.
- Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place; he comes to cleanse and heal, to minister his grace: no work too hard for him in faith receive from him. Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place.

OPENING PRAYER & SHARING GOD'S PEACE

CHILDREN'S TIME "The very hungry caterpillar"

CHILDREN'S HYMN Jesus bids us shine (Tune: Lumetto)

- Jesus bids us shine with a pure, clear light, like a little candle burning in the night.
 In this world is darkness, so let us shine, you in your small corner, and I in mine.
- Jesus bids us shine, first of all for him; well he sees and knows it, if our light grows dim: He looks down from heaven to see us shine, you in your small corner, and I in mine.
- Jesus bids us shine, then, for all around; many kinds of darkness in the world are found – sin, and want, and sorrow; so we must shine, you in your small corner, and I in mine.

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 9:2-9 (GNB New Testament, page 57)

Six days later Jesus took with him Peter, James, and John, and led them up a high mountain, where they were alone. As they looked on, a change came over Jesus, ³ and his clothes became shining white – whiter than anyone in the world could wash them. ⁴ Then the three disciples saw Elijah and Moses talking with Jesus. ⁵ Peter spoke up and said to Jesus, "Teacher, how good it is that we are here! We will make three tents, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." ⁶ He and the others were so frightened that he did not know what to say.

⁷ Then a cloud appeared and covered them with its shadow, and a voice came from the cloud, "This is my own dear Son – listen to him!" ⁸ They took a quick look around but did not see anyone else; only Jesus was with them.

⁹ As they came down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Don't tell anyone what you have seen, until the Son of Man has risen from death."

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

HYMN Lord, the light of your love / Shine, Jesus, shine! (Church Hymnary 448)

Lord, the light of your love is shining, in the midst of the darkness shining; Jesus, light of the world, shine upon us, set us free by the truth you now bring us. Shine on me, shine on me:
 Shine, Jesus, shine! Fill this land with the Father's glory; blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.
 Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy; send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light!

- 2 Lord, I come to your awesome presence, from the shadows into your radiance; by your blood I may enter your brightness, search me, try me, consume all my darkness. Shine on me, shine on me.
- As we gaze on your kingly brightness, so our faces display your likeness, ever changing from glory to glory, mirrored her may our lives tell your story. Shine on me, shine on me.

REFLECTION "One of God's bright ideas" (Thoughts on Mark 9:2-9)

HYMN Longing for light / Christ, be our light! (Church Hymnary 543, 1-2, 4-5)

- Longing for light, we wait in darkness. Longing for truth, we turn to you. Make us your own, your holy people, light for the world to see.

 Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.

 Christ, be our light! Shine in your Church gathered today.
- 2 Longing for peace, our world is troubled. Longing for hope, many despair. You word alone has power to save us. Make us your living voice.
- Longing for shelter, many are homeless. Longing for warmth, many are cold. Make us your building, sheltering others, walls made of living stone.
- Many the gifts, many the people, many the hearts that yearn to belong. Let us be servants to one another, making your kingdom come.

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.

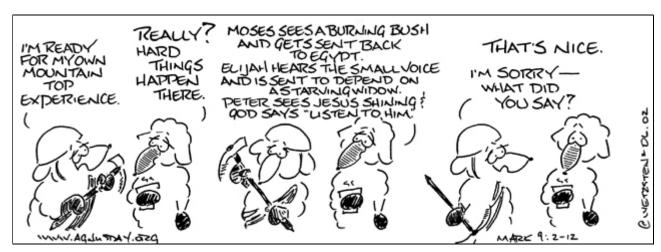
BLESSING (spoken together:)

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.

POSTLUDE: Peter C. Lutkin: "The Lord bless you and keep you" (ECC Choir)

NOTICES

- Digital Worship live every Sunday at 12.30 p.m. on Zoom (opens 12:15). Meeting ID: 814 8465 3256, Passcode: 947371. No private audio or video recordings to be made, please for data protection reasons. Videos of hymns and reflection will be posted in the worship section of the ECC website for viewing after Sunday.
- Today's reader is Henrike Macheit and Jimmy Brown will give the reflection.
- To volunteer as a reader, please check out the Doodle Reader's Rota poll: https://doodle.com/poll/8iznq2f2fzgw9cin?utm_source=poll&utm_medium=link
- A six-week online Bible study on the Servant Songs in Isaiah led by Revs Anja Stuckenberger, Emmanuel Mote-Ndasah and James Brown begins on Tuesday 23 February at 19:00 hrs. Zoom Meeting ID: 882 1296 9022, Passcode: 051157
- Our choir director is looking for singers for the **digital recording project** to prepare songs for Lent and Easter. Please contact Hendrik on: hendrik.ziser(at)t-online.de
- This week's Ecumenical Prayer Cycle focuses on Austria, Liechtenstein and Switzerland. Please include these countries and their people in your prayers. https://www.oikoumene.org/resources/prayer-cycle/austria-liechtenstein-switzerland
- If you want to join **reading the Bible chronologically** through 2021, please contact Sebastian Stüwe on 0176 76496321 or sebastian.stuewe(at)mailbox.org
- Online worship resources by various churches, including the UCC, the Church of Scotland and others, are on our website at: http://ecc-bochum.de/online-resources/
- English books are still available from the 'Pfarrhaus', Neustraße 15. Phone Pastor Jimmy on 0234 13365. Donations to the ECC funds are welcome for books chosen!



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CHILDREN'S COLOURING PAGE



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MARK 9:2-3

More children's resources at: https://sermons4kids.com/