

Watchword for the Week

I will not enter my house or go to my bed – I will not allow any sleep to my eyes, no slumber to my eyelids till I find a place for the Lord, a dwelling for the Mighty

One of Jacob

Ps. 132: 3-5

Hymn 449 *Rejoice the Lord is King*

PRAYER of CONFESSION

O God whose eyes are of exceeding purity but which do not despise the sorrow of the sinner, have mercy on us according to your loving kindness. You alone know how often we have transgressed in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, and in forgetting your love. O you, who search our hearts, help us to acknowledge with deep regret our many transgressions and especially those which are a present burden to our consciences. In your mercy you remind us of these things and you bid us not to continue in them; cleans us from all our iniquities and may your mercy grant us healing: through the power of the King above all kings, Jesus our Lord. AMEN

Let us now share the Peace with one another.
The Peace of our Lord be with you all.

SHARING GOD'S PEACE

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Revelation 1: 4^b-8

John 18: 33-37

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

Hymn 457 *All hail the power of Jesus' name*

SERMON "Kingdoms of Truth"
Rev. Emmanuel Mote Ndasah

Hymn 130 *Ye servants of God*

NOTICES

PRAYERS FOR OTHERS

Lord, hear our prayer:
And let our cry come to 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, forever and ever. Amen.

Hymn 749 *Soon and very soon*

BLESSING / CLOSING PRAYER

And now as we leave this place
may the Spirit of the living God be with us
in all that we think, all that we say
and all that we do.
We ask this in the precious name of Jesus Christ our Lord and our Saviour. Amen.

ORGAN POSTLUDE

ORGAN PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

O God the Father, from whom the whole family of heaven and earth is named; O God the Son, given to be head over the Church; O God the Holy Spirit, the bond of peace; O holy trinity, eternal love: **Have mercy upon us**

By the ministry of forgiveness and healing; by your seeking and saving the lost; by your words of eternal life: **Help us good Lord**

That it may please you to enlarge and strengthen your Holy Church in every land, and unite all those who profess and call themselves Christians in faith and hope and charity:
Help us good Lord

That you will grant your people the grace to understand and to believe your Word, and to show forth your faith in their lives:
We beseech you Mighty God

That you may remove from us all forms hatred, prejudice, and narrowness of thought, that we may receive and rejoice in all that you reveal:
We beseech you Mighty God

That you will guide us in all perplexities of belief and conduct, that we may hold fast that which is true, and faithfully confess you before humanity:
We beseech you Mighty God

ALL: Now unto Him who is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us; unto Him be glory in the Church by Jesus Christ, throughout all ages, world without end. AMEN

Notices

- **All are welcome in this place.** *It's 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:** Derick Fonjong
 - Reader:** Cynthia Ekokobe
 - Organ:** Hendrik Ziser
- The **offering basket** as you leave church is our congregation's main source of income. **Please give generously.**
- After worship, the **Kirchencafé** is open for tea, coffee and fellowship. Please help by clearing away cups and plates, washing dishes and tidying up afterwards. Thank-you!
- The next **Christian discipline** Bible study is tomorrow at 7 p.m. in the Kirchencafé with a session on **Simplicity** (Mat. 6:25-34); There is a Zoom option for anyone unable to attend: (ID: 882 1296 9022; Code: 051157)
- There will be a brief rehearsal of **African freestyle singing** immediately after today's service. All interested are welcome to join us.
- Our **Annual General Meeting** will be held after worship on **Sunday, 28 November**, including Council elections held over from 2020. Please make every effort to attend to celebrate not only the First of Advent but also our worship life and our congregational life!
- The WCC **Ecumenical Prayer Cycle** this week focuses on **East Timor, Indonesia and the Philippines**. Link to prayers and further information from www.ecc-bochum.de
- Please switch all **mobile phones** off or to the mute mode / vibration signal during worship. Thank you.



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Reign of Christ

"Pax intransibus, salus exeuntibus"
"On entering, peace – on departure, blessing"
(Pauluskirche Bochum – Porch Inscription 1655)

Worship every Sunday at 12.30

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