Watchword for the Week

Blessed are those who trust in the Lord, whose trust is in the Lord. (Jeremiah 17:7)

(Moravian Daily Texts 2022)

ORGAN PRELUDE

WELCOME and CALL to WORSHIP

Leader: Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path that sinners tread,

or sit in the seat of scoffers;

All: but their delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law they meditate day and night.

Leader: They are like trees

planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper.

All: The wicked are not so,

but are like chaff

that the wind drives away.

Leader: Therefore the wicked will not stand in

the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

All: for the Lord watches over

the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

Hymn 106 Bring to the Lord

PRAYER of CONFESSION

Leader: Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God,

who forgives all our sin, whose mercy

endures forever.

All: Amen.

Leader: In the presence of God, who sees our

hearts and our minds, let us confess

our sin.

(Silence is kept for reflection)

Leader: God our strength,

All: We confess that we are captive

to the power of sin that dwells within us. We put ourselves first

and others last.

What we think will make us happy

leaves us longing for more. Even when we want to do what is good, we find ourselves

doing the opposite.

Rescue us from death's grip on our lives, and raise us up day by day, that we may be alive to God

in Christ Jesus. Amen.

Leader: Sisters and brothers, all have fallen

short of the glory of God; therefore we are justified by God's grace as a gift. Nothing can separate us from the love of God in + Christ Jesus, in whom we have forgiveness of sin, life, and

salvation.

All: Amen.

SHARING GOD'S PEACE

Hymn 500 Lord of creation v. 1-3

SCRIPTURE READINGS 🕮

1 Corinthians 15:12-20 *NT p. 219*

Luke 6:17-26 *NT p. 82*

The word of God: Thanks be to God!

Hymn 341 Blest are they

SERMON "Blessings and woes"

Rev. Dr. Anja Stuckenberger

Hymn 465 Be thou my vision

ANNOUNCEMENTS

(see Notices overleaf)

(Offerings are brought forward)

PRAYERS for OTHERS

Response: Lord, in your mercy.

hear our prayer.

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 500 Lord of creation

v. 4-5

BLESSING and *Threefold Amen* (No. 819)

ORGAN POSTLUDE

Notices

- > All are welcome in this place. It's good you're here! Please add your name and e-mail or postal address to the book at the back of church to receive news of upcoming events.
- > Today's worship team:

Duty elder: Herold Dehling Reader: Renate Schwarz Hendrik Ziser Organ:

- > The **offering** during the worship service is our congregation's main source of income. Last week's offering totalled € 92,20. Please give generously.
- > The WCC Ecumenical Prayer Cycle this week Austria, focuses on Liechtenstein. Switzerland

Link to info: www.ecc-bochum.de

- > Worship is streamed live every week on www.ecc-bochum.de
- > Due to the current COVID-19 situation. the Kirchencafé remains closed for now.
- > The Evangelische Pop-Akademie will have "Workout-Singing" in the Pauluskirche with choral singing of gospel, international, and contemporary songs, one Tuesday a month, 7:30-9:00 pm, March through June. Cost: 29 € for 4 sessions. Anyone interested can join, current limit 20 persons (2G+). See https://tinyurl.com/popsing or contact the music leader, vera.hotten@ev-pop-institut.de.
- > The Weltladen Pauluskirche right next door in the Kirchencafé is looking for volunteers. Interested? Please contact Rev. James Brown at j.brown56(at)qmx.de
- Please switch all mobile **phones** off or to the mute mode / vibration signal during worship. Thank you.









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Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

"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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