

**Watchword for the Week**

Jesus said, "All who exalt themselves will be humbled,  
but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

(Luke 18:14)

(Moravian Daily Texts 2022)

ORGAN PRELUDE

Alleluia, Alleluia

Robert Jakeman

WELCOME and CALL to WORSHIP

(from Psalm 84:1-7)

How I love your Temple, Lord Almighty!

**How I want to be there!**

**I long to be in the Lord's Temple.**

**With my whole being I sing for joy  
to the living God.**

Even the sparrows have built a nest,  
and the swallows have their own home;  
they keep their young near your altars,  
Lord Almighty, my king and my God.

**How happy are those who live in your Temple,  
always singing praise to you.**

How happy are those whose strength comes from you,  
who are eager to make the pilgrimage to Mount Zion.

**As they pass through the dry valley of Baca,  
it becomes a place of springs;  
the autumn rain fills it with pools.**

They grow stronger as they go;  
they will see the God of gods on Zion.

**Hymn 169** *Praise the Lord with the sound of trumpet*

PRAYER of CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who forgives all  
our sin, whose mercy endures forever.

**Amen.**

In the presence of God, who sees our hearts and our  
minds, let us confess our sin.

*(Silence is kept for reflection)*

Saviour God,

**O God, You are always true to us in love  
And we are left wanting to say sorry  
For our faithlessness to You and to one another,  
For our forgetting of the poor and broken  
For our failure to cherish creation  
Give us life, O God, to change  
And enable us to change, that we may live.  
Amen.**

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.

**Amen.**

SHARING GOD'S PEACE

CHILDREN'S TIME

*(after which children may join the Kids' Church program)*

**Hymn 613** *Gracious Spirit, hear our pleading*

SCRIPTURE READINGS 

Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22 *OT p. 748*

Luke 18:9-14 *NT p. 103*

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

**Hymn 171** *Take up the song*

SERMON "The voice of the tax collector"  
Rev. Dr. Anja Stuckenberger

**Hymn 170** *Praise and thanksgiving*

ANNOUNCEMENTS *(see Notices overleaf)*

**Hymn 176** *Let's sing unto the Lord  
(People come forward with their offerings)*

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 404** *I danced in the morning  
(people will sing the chorus only)*

BLESSING

*(including musical contribution)*

Go in peace and serve the Lord.

**Threefold Amen** (No. 819)

ORGAN POSTLUDE

# Notices

- **All are welcome in this place.** *It's good you're here!* As a sign of our Christian care for each other, we ask everyone to wear a medical mask over mouth and nose when close to others, especially when singing hymns.
- **Today's worship team:**
  - Ministers:** Rev. Dr. Anja Stuckenberg
  - Duty elder:** Justus Masa
  - Reader:** Heinrich Ohlendorf
  - Kids' Church:** Annegret Stüwe
  - Organist:** Sebastian Stüwe
- The **offering basket** is the congregation's main source of income. Last week's offering totalled € 131,00. **Please give generously.**
- On **October 30** we will have a guest preacher: Rev. Leita Ngoy (Evangelical Lutheran Church of Tanzania) will lead us in worship.
- **Intercultural Bible study** on the Book of Jonah begins this week on Wednesday, October 26, from 6-7 p.m. in the ESG, Querenburger Höhe 278.
- **Harvest Thanksgiving** had to be changed to **Sunday, November 6.** If you are able, please bring donations for auction, and invite your family and friends!
- The WCC Ecumenical Prayer Cycle this week focuses on **the Caribbean.** (More information at <https://tinyurl.com/prayer-cycle>)
- The **Kirchencafé** is open for us today till 3 o'clock for tea, coffee, and fellowship. Please follow 2G rules and help leave everything clean and tidy! Thank you!
- Please switch all **mobile phones** off or to the mute mode / vibration signal during worship. Thank you.



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## Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

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

Worship every Sunday at 12.30

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