

ANGLICAN CHURCH OF FREIBURG
SUNDAY 30TH OCTOBER 2022
MORNING PRAYER

SILENT PREPARATION

PRELUDE

COME AS YOU ARE ACF 19

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qD4KAq_W8tY&t=60s

OPENING SENTENCE

When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, 'Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today. Luke 19:5

OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, often we make huge efforts to have a glimpse of you, forgetting that you are waiting for us, calling us by name, inviting yourself into our homes and lives and helping us transform our lives and reform our homes. As you were with Zacchaeus be with us today as we worship you.

Faithful God, we come, to lay down our burdens, to rest in your presence, to receive your love, to discern your priorities, to pray for those on our minds, and to draw closer to your heart, which breaks with all who suffer and rejoices with all who are at peace. **Amen**

OPENING HYMN

LORD MAKE ME AN INSTRUMENT SS 360

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SJAPvn9OSG8>

PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

. We thank you, Lord Jesus, that by following you we can **All change.**

You help us think through our priorities and restore our confidence, so we can...
All change.

You inspire us to think of others' needs and encourage us to share our resources, so that we can... **All change.**

Give us faith to believe that sometimes gradually, sometimes dramatically, we can... **All change.**

We thank you, that you seeks us out, invites yourself into our lives and reforms us so that we can.... **All change.**

Amen.

PRAYER IN PREPARATION FOR CONFESSION

Lord, there are things I want to change in my life, but I don't know how – my priorities, my busy-ness, my need to have, and to be in charge. Where I am anxious, make me adventurous; where I am driven, help me to rest; where responsibilities overwhelm me, help me to be realistic; where my quiet time has slipped away, help me to make space for you; that when the demands of each day come knocking at the door, I may welcome them with a sense of peace, not resentment or fear. Help me to change today, Lord. Amen.

CONFESSION

Like Zacchaeus on the sycamore tree we are often driven by greed that we exploit others for personal gain and are often excluded and branded 'sinners'
Lord, bring salvation into our homes

Like the crowds that followed Jesus we often hinder people from having a glimpse of Christ.

Lord bring salvation into our homes

Lord we often seek the best for ourselves, running ahead and seeking vantage points we seek to see from afar

Lord, bring salvation into our homes

Like the people who grumbled seeing Jesus walk into the home of Zacchaeus, grumbling blinds us from seeing the mighty acts of God working in the lives of people

Lord, bring salvation into our homes

Lord, we are unwilling to share what we have with the poor and refuse to restore to whom we have defrauded

Lord, bring salvation into our homes

Absolution

Hear the Good news: 'Today salvation has come to this house, for through Jesus, you too are a child of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost.' Let us proclaim the truth to one another

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen.

COLLECT

(FOR ALL SAINTS DAY)

Almighty God,
you have knit together your elect
in one communion and fellowship
in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord:
grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints
in all virtuous and godly living
that we may come to those inexpressible joys
that you have prepared for those who truly love you;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

PRAYER ON REFORMATION SUNDAY

Waken our hearts, O Lord, our God;

make them ever watchful to serve You and Your purposes.

Trouble us with the smallness of our vision and work.

Trouble us with the greatness of Your command to make disciples of all nations.

Trouble us with Your great love for sinners and our own slowness to make You our greatest love.

Trouble us with the brevity of our lives and time, talent, and treasure not invested in eternity.

Comfort us by drawing us to Yourself with the cords of Your unfailing mercy.

Comfort us, O Lord, with the assurance of our salvation and unending glory with You when we suffer and are afflicted.

Rekindle in us a renewed desire

for the coming of Your glorious kingdom

when all wrongs will be made right,

when everything that is broken will be made whole,

and when we will trade a cross for a crown.

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

—Adapted from the Prayers of Martin Luther

PSALM

32:1-8

1 Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven,
whose sin is covered.

**2 Happy are those to whom the Lord imputes no iniquity,
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.**

3 While I kept silence, my body wasted away
through my groaning all day long.

**4 For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;
my strength was dried up[a] as by the heat of summer.**

5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you,
and I did not hide my iniquity;
I said, 'I will confess my transgressions to the Lord',
and you forgave the guilt of my sin.Selah

**6 Therefore let all who are faithful
offer prayer to you;
at a time of distress, the rush of mighty waters
shall not reach them.**

7 You are a hiding-place for me;
you preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with glad cries of deliverance.

**8 I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go;
I will counsel you with my eye upon you.**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen

FIRST READING

THE READING IS TAKEN FROM ISAIAH 1:10-18

Let us prepare ourselves for the word of God
Our hearts and our minds are open

10 Hear the word of the Lord,
you rulers of Sodom!
Listen to the teaching of our God,
you people of Gomorrah!
11 What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices?
says the Lord;
I have had enough of burnt-offerings of rams
and the fat of fed beasts;
I do not delight in the blood of bulls,
or of lambs, or of goats.
12 When you come to appear before me,[a]
who asked this from your hand?
Trample my courts no more;

13 bringing offerings is futile;
incense is an abomination to me.
New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation—
I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity.
14 Your new moons and your appointed festivals
my soul hates;
they have become a burden to me,
I am weary of bearing them.
15 When you stretch out your hands,
I will hide my eyes from you;
even though you make many prayers,
I will not listen;
your hands are full of blood.
16 Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean;
remove the evil of your doings
from before my eyes;
cease to do evil,
17 learn to do good;
seek justice,
rescue the oppressed,
defend the orphan,
plead for the widow.
18 Come now, let us argue it out,
says the Lord:
though your sins are like scarlet,
they shall be like snow;
though they are red like crimson,
they shall become like wool.

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN

O LORD MY GOD SS 425

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gSESrZiOLQ4>

GOSPEL

The reading is taken from Luke 19:1-10

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke
Glory to you, O Lord

He entered Jericho and was passing through it. 2 A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax-collector and was rich. 3 He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. 4 So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. 5 When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, 'Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today.' 6 So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. 7 All who saw it began to grumble and said, 'He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner.' 8 Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, 'Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much.' 9 Then Jesus said to him, 'Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. 10 For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

HOMILY

HYMN AFTER HOMILY

BLINDMAN STOOD ON THE ROAD AND CRIED

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZEpkCzs7dBO>

REMEMBERING THE DEAR DEPARTED WITH THANKS

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.
And let the perpetual light shine upon them.

May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

(A Time of reflection and lighting of lamps remembering our dear departed and thanking God for their lives)

INTERCESSIONS

SHARING OF PEACE

“Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ” (1 Corinthians 1:3)

OFFERTORY HYMN

O God our help in ages past SS 415

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ssr-Ga3Mz6Q>

CLOSING PRAYER

Lord, let us go forth as saved Zacchaeuses, sharing our homes with Christ Jesus, sharing half of our wealth to the poor and repaying all those whom we have done wrong. For truly, if we do this, we know that the world will be changed. Bless us as we go into the world so your will may be truly done we pray. Amen.
Prayer Station by Shea Zellweger

Benediction

Let us go forth into the world in peace Let us hold fast to that which is good, render to no person evil for evil, strengthen the faint-hearted, support the weak, help the needy and the afflicted, and honor all people. Let us love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of His Spirit.

And may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit be upon us and remain with us always. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSINGS

May God who seeks and saves, who invites and welcomes, who loves and cherishes, be your strength today and every day. Amen.

POSTLUDE

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