### TUESDAY 28.10.14

# INTERNATIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE FOR THE CLIMATE

COPENHAGEN CATHEDRAL

To mark the release of the report by UN Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change



#### ENTRY: "NEST"

Art installation by Lisbeth van Deurs & Malene Sakskilde

The congregation is quietly invited to accept the responsibility of carrying a small, white, fragile egg through the church, and to place it in a nest in the middle of the church.

The event is meant to be a simple, yet symbolic act, leading one's thoughts onto future, fragility, fertility, and more.

By asking everyone to individually carry and protect an egg on this short journey, and to leave it safely in the nest, everyone, hopefully, will have a personal experience of responsibility and humility.

Should anyone be so unfortunate as to drop an egg, there is even a point to be taken in this.



## **CREATION** clip from the movie Noah

#### **GREETING**

#### CHOIR SONG: "Heal the World"

There's A Place In Your Heart / And I Know That It Is Love And This Place Could Be Much Brighter Than Tomorrow And If You Really Try / You'll Find There's No Need To Cry In This Place You'll Feel There's No Hurt Or Sorrow.

There Are Ways To Get There / If You Care Enough For The Living Make A Little Space / Make A Better Place.

Heal The World / Make It A Better Place For You And For Me And The Entire Human Race There Are People Dying / If You Care Enough For The Living Make A Better Place For You And For Me.

If You Want To Know Why / There's A Love That Cannot Lie Love Is Strong / It Only Cares For Joyful Giving If We Try / We Shall See / In This Bliss We Cannot Feel Fear Or Dread / We Stop Existing And Start Living

Then It Feels That Always / Love's Enough For Us Growing So Make A Better World / Make A Better World.

Heal The World / Make It A Better Place
For You And For Me And The Entire Human Race
There Are People Dying / If You Care Enough For The Living
Make A Better Place For You And For Me

#### **PRAYER**

#### BIBLE READING: Genesis 2, 4-9\*

In the day that the LORD God made the earth and the heavens, when no plant of the field was yet in the earth, and no herb of the field had yet sprung up – for the LORD God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was no one to till the ground; but a stream would rise from the earth, and water the whole face of the ground – then the LORD God formed man from the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being.

And the LORD God planted a garden in Eden, in the east; and there he put the man whom he had formed.

Out of the ground the LORD God made to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food, the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of knowledge of good and evil.

<sup>\*</sup>See Danish text page 10 // Se dansk tekst side 10

**HYMN:** "The forest leaves are fading fast"

The forest leaves are fading fast And birdsong now is rarer; The swallow flees, the stormy blast The stork seeks climates fairer.

Where fields once waved with golden corn Fair ears to ripeness straining, There stubble lies, bereaved, forlorn Mere barren soil remaining.

And He who made it grow on earth The golden ears unveiling, Will live with us and share His Word The gospel never-failing.

We thank Him now with joyful song For all that He has given; For fields that grew all summer long For word and life from heaven.

Through all the year on ev'rything He breathes his peace eternal; And after winter comes the spring Then summer, corn and kernel.

His Spirit, who does all things well Through life's short days precedes us: In faith and hope and love we dwell As He to heaven leads us.

Original: Nu falmer skoven trindt om land Tune: Johan H. Nebelong, 1889 Text: N.F.S. Grundtvig, 1844 Trans.: Edward Broadbridge, 2009

#### POETIC READING:

From "Alphabet" by the Danish poet Inger Christensen\*

apricot trees exist, apricot trees exist

bracken exists; and blackberries, blackberries; bromine exists; and hydrogen, hydrogen

cicadas exist; chicory, chromium, citrus trees; cicadas exist; cicadas, cedars, cypresses, the cerebellum

doves exist, dreamers, and dolls; killers exist, and doves, and doves; haze, dioxin, and days; days exist, days and death; and poems exist; poems, days, death

early fall exists; aftertaste, afterthought; seclusion and angels exist; widows and elk exist; every detail exists; memory, memory's light; afterglow exists; oaks, elms, junipers, sameness, loneliness exist; eider ducks, spiders, and vinegar exist, and the future, the future

fisherbird herons exist, with their grey-blue arching backs, with their black-feathered crests and their bright-feathered tails they exist; in colonies they exist, in the so-called Old World; fish, too, exist, and ospreys, ptarmigans, falcons, sweetgrass, and the fleeces of sheep; fig trees and the products of fission exist; errors exist, instrumental, systemic, random; remote control exists, and birds; and fruit trees exist, fruit there in the orchard where apricot trees exist, apricot trees exist in countries whose warmth will call forth the exact colour of apricots in the flesh

given limits exist, streets, oblivion

and grass and gourds and goats and gorse, eagerness exists, given limits

branches exist, wind lifting them exists, and the lone drawing made by the branches

of the tree called an oak tree exists, of the tree called an ash tree, a birch tree, a cedar tree, the drawing repeated in the gravel garden path; weeping exists as well, fireweed and mugwort, hostages, greylag geese, greylags and their young;

and guns exist, an enigmatic back yard; overgrown, sere, gemmed just with red currants, guns exist; in the midst of the lit-up chemical ghetto guns exist with their old-fashioned, peaceable precision

guns and wailing women, full as greedy owls exist; the scene of the crime exists; the scene of the crime, drowsy, normal, abstract, bathed in a whitewashed, godforsaken light, this poisonous, white, crumbling poem

whisperings exist, whisperings exist harvest, history, and Halley's

comet exist; hosts exist, hordes high commanders, hollows, and within the hollows half-shadows, within the half-shadows occasional

hares, occasional hanging leaves shading the hollow where bracken exists, and blackberries, blackberries occasional hares hidden under the leaves

and gardens exist, horticulture, the elder tree's pale flowers, still as a seething hymn; the half-moon exists, half-silk, and the whole heliocentric haze that has dreamed these devoted brains, their luck, and human skin

human skin and houses exist, with Hades rehousing the horse and the dog and the shadows of glory, hope; and the river of vengeance; hail under stoneskies exists, the hydrangeas' white, bright-shining, blue or greenish

fogs of sleep, occasionally pink, a few sterile patches exist, and beneath the angled Armageddon of the arching heavens, poison, the poison helicopter's humming harps above the henbane, shepherd's purse, and flax, henbane, shepherd's purse and flax; this last, hermetic writing, written otherwise only by children; and wheat, wheat in the wheatfields exists, the head-spinning horizontal knowledge of wheatfields, half-lives, famine, and honey; and deepest in the heart, otherwise as ever only deepest in the heart, the roots of the hazel, the hazel that stands on the hillslope of the heart, tough and hardy, an accumulated weekday of Angelic orders; high-speed, hyacinthic in its decay, life, on earth as it is in heaven.

<sup>\*</sup>See Danish text page 11 // Se dansk tekst side 11

#### HYMN: "Here I am, Lord"

#### Children:

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry. All who dwell in darkness now My hand will save.

#### All:

I who make the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright. Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

#### Children:

Here I am, Lord. It is I Lord.
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, where you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

#### All:

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain. I have wept for love of them. They turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone, Give them hearts for love a-lone. I will speak my words to them. Whom shall I send?

#### Children:

Here I am, Lord. It is I Lord...

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I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide, Till their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

Here I am, Lord. It is I Lord...

Tune and text: Dan Schutte 1981

#### BIBLE READING: The Revelation 21, 1-6a\*

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.'

And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.' Then he said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end.

#### SERMON

MOTET: "Help Us, O Lord"

Aaron Copland: "Help Us, O Lord"

<sup>\*</sup>See Danish text page 10 // Se dansk tekst side 10

#### **HYMN:** "You who have lit all the stars"

You who have lit all the stars in the heavens, light in our darkness a faith that can burn.
You are our lamp over all you have given; may we sleep sound till the new day returns.

Thanks for the day full of light that has ended, gift of Your kindness in meeting our need.
Grant us forgiveness where we have offended, whether in thought or in word or in deed!

Thanks for the moments our hearts filled with gladness, each time You led us to know we are blessed.

Help us to bear every burden or sadness,

You alone know for our lives what is best.

Thanks for our helpers each time we succeeded, when it was hard to know which way to seek. Help us tomorrow to help those who need it, meet us Yourself in the small and the weak!

You who have lit all the stars in the heavens, fighting against the world's darkness and sin, You are the Father of all we are given, light in that darkness which comes from within.

Original: Du som har tændt millioner af stjerner.

Tune: Erik Sommer 1981

Text: Johannes Johansen 1981-82 Trans: Edward Broadbridge 2009

#### **FINAL PRAYER**

#### **LORD'S PRAYER** – by all

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come.
Your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.

HYMN: 'Beautiful is the Earth'

Beautiful is the earth!
Wonderful God's heaven!
Lovely the path that we walk along!
Souls on the pilgrim way
through earthly kingdoms
we go to Paradise with song.

Ages shall come to be, ages shall roll by, each generation succeed the last; yet shall the heav'nly sound never fall silent – the pilgrims' song is unsurpassed.

Angel choirs sang it first for watchful shepherds, full from soul to soul that dawn: Peace over all the earth! People, rejoice and sing, to us is a Redeemer born.

Original: Dejlig er jorden. Tune: Schleswig 18th cent Text: B.S. Ingemann 1850 Trans: Edward Broadbridge 2009

ALL STAND

**BLESSING** 

#### **POSTLUDE MUSIC**

After church service, all churchgoers
are very welcome to visit
DanChurchAid's
café nutid, Nørregade 15
across from the Cathedral

# danske tekster

#### BIBELLÆSNING: 1. Mosebog 2, 4b-9

Dengang Gud Herren skabte jord og himmel, var der endnu ingen buske på jorden, og ingen planter var spiret frem, for Gud Herren havde ikke ladet det regne på jorden, og der var ingen mennesker til at dyrke agerjorden, men en kilde brød frem af jorden og vandede hele agerjorden. Da formede Gud Herren mennesket af jord og blæste livsånde i hans næsebor, så mennesket blev et levende væsen.

Gud Herren plantede en have i Eden ude mod øst, og der satte han det menneske, han havde formet. Gud Herren lod alle slags træer, der var dejlige at se på og gode at spise af, vokse frem af jorden, også livets træ midt i haven og træet til kundskab om godt og ondt.

#### **BIBELLÆSNING:**

Johannes Åbenbaring 21, 1-6a

Og jeg så en ny himmel og en ny jord. For den første himmel og den første jord forsvandt, og havet findes ikke mere. Og den hellige by, det ny Jerusalem, så jeg komme ned fra himlen fra Gud, rede som en brud, der er smykket for sin brudgom. Og jeg hørte en høj røst fra tronen sige:

Nu er Guds bolig hos menneskene, han vil bo hos dem, og de skal være hans folk, og Gud vil selv være hos dem.

Han vil tørre hver tåre af deres øjne, og døden skal ikke være mere, ej heller sorg, ej heller skrig, ej heller pine skal være mere. Thi det, der var før, er forsvundet.

Og han, der sidder på tronen, sagde: »Se, jeg gør alting nyt!« Og han sagde: »Skriv! For disse ord er troværdige og sande.« Og han sagde til mig: »Det er sket. Jeg er Alfa og Omega, begyndelsen og enden.

#### DIGTLÆSNING:

Fra Inger Christensens "Alfabet"

abrikostræerne findes, abrikostræerne findes

bregnerne findes; og brombær, brombær og brom findes; og brinten, brinten

cikaderne findes; cikorie, chrom og citrontræer findes; cikaderne findes; cikaderne, ceder, cypres, cerebellum

duerne findes; drømmerne, dukkerne dræberne findes; duerne, duerne; dis, dioxin og dagene; dagene findes; dagene døden; og digtene findes; digtene, dagene, døden

efteråret findes; eftersmagen og eftertanken findes; og enrummet findes; englene, enkerne og elsdyret findes; enkelthederne findes, erindringen, erindringens lys; og efterlyset findes, egetræet og elmetræet findes, og enebærbusken, ensheden, ensomheden findes, og edderfuglen og edderkoppen findes, og eddiken findes, og eftertiden, eftertiden

fiskehejren findes, med sin gråblå hvælvede ryg findes den, med sin fjertop sort og sine halefjer lyse findes den; i kolonier findes den; i den såkaldt Gamle Verden; findes også fiskene; og fiskeørnen, fjeldrypen falken; festgræsset og fårenes farver; fissionsprodukterne findes og figentræet findes; fejlene findes, de grove, de systematiske, de tilfældige; fjernstyringen findes og fuglene; og frugttræerne findes og frugterne i frugthaven hvor abrikostræerne findes, abrikostræerne findes, i lande hvor varmen vil frembringe netop den farve i kødet abrikosfrugter har

grænserne findes, gaderne, glemslen

og græs og agurker og geder og gyvel begejstringen findes, grænserne findes;

grenene findes, vinden der løfter dem findes, og grenenes eneste tegning

af netop det træ der kaldes egetræet findes, af netop det træ der kaldes asketræet, birketræet, cedertræet findes, og tegningen gentaget findes, i havegangens grus; findes også i gråden, og gederams og gråbynke findes, gidslerne, grågåsen, grågåsens unger;

og geværerne findes, en gådefuld baghave, tilgroet, gold og kun smykket med ribs, geværerne findes; midt i den oplyste kemiske ghetto findes geværerne, med deres gammeldags, fredelige præcision findes geværerne, og grædekonerne findes, mætte som grådige ugler, gerningsstedet findes; gerningsstedet, døsigt, normalt og abstrakt, badet i et hvidkalket, gudsforladt lys, dette giftige, hvide, forvitrende digt

hviskningerne findes, hviskningerne findes, høsten, historien findes, og Halleys

komet; hærskarerne findes, horderne herskerne, hulerne, og inde i hulerne halvskyggen, inde i halvskyggen af og til

harerne, af og til bladhang for hulen hvor bregnerne findes; og brombær, brombær, af og til harerne skjult under bladhanget

og haverne findes, havekunsten, hyldetræets blege, ubevægelige blomster som en sydende hymne; og halvmånen findes, halvsilken, hele den heliocentriske dis der har drømt disse hengivne hjerner, deres held; og huden

huden og husene findes, Hades der genhuser hesten og hunden og herlighedens skygger, håbet; og hævnfloden, hagl under stenhimlen findes, hortensiens hvide, lyst lysende blå eller grønlige

søvntåger, af og til blegrøde, enkelte flager sterile findes; og hen under himmelhvælvets skrå Harmagedon giften, gifthelikopterens susende harpe over hyrdetaske, hønsetarm og hør; hyrdetaske, hønsetarm og hør, denne sidste hermetiske skrift, som ellers kun skrives af børn; og hveden, hveden i hvedemarken findes, hvedemarkens

svimlende vandrette viden, halveringstider, hungersnød og honning; inderst i hjertet, ellers som altid kun inderst i hjertet hasselbuskens rødder, hasselbusken udsat på hjertets bjerge, hårdfør og nøjsom, en ophobet hverdag af englenes orden; hurtigt, hyacintisk i sit henfald livet, som i himlen således også på jorden.

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'Creation' from the movie Noah (2014)

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**Bishop Czeslaw Kozon:** Reading of message from the Vatican **Archbishop of Polynesia Winston Halapua:** Prayer

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