

“Within these walls let no-one be a stranger”

17 November, 2013



**English Reformed
Church Amsterdam**

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Prelude

Voluntary, J. Stanley

Welcome and Call to Worship

Hymn 153

“Great is Thy faithfulness”

Prayer, ending with the Lord's Prayer (*said in whichever language or version you prefer or in the version below*)

Our Father, which 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil
For thine is the Kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Announcements

Children's Talk

Hymn 204

“I am the Church! You are the Church!”

Confirmation

George Sampong

Hymn 644

“O Jesus, I have promised”

First Lesson

2 Thessalonians 3: 6-13 (NT p204)

Music in Worship

Adagio Sostenuto from Moonlight Sonata, Beethoven

Second Lesson

Luke 21: 5-19 (NT p81)

Hymn 191

“Do not be afraid, for I have redeemed you”

Sermon

Hymn 192

“All my hope on God is founded”

Prayers of Intercession

Offering

I Call to Thee, Lord Jesus Christ, J.S. Bach

Prayer of Dedication (*All Stand*)

Hymn 459

“Crown Him with many crowns”

The Blessing (Sung Amen)



Postlude

Theme & Finale from *Merck toch hoe Sterk*, C. Kee

The congregation is asked to remain in place until the preacher has left the Church.

Please turn off your mobile phone during the service

The Service is conducted by the Rev. Bill Brown.

The reader is Amy Poon.

Office bearers on duty are Peggy Krol & Christa Oudshoorn-Hobo.

Notices

- **Visitors** are invited to sign the Visitors' Book after the service. If you are here for more than a holiday, we hope you will return again.
- **Children's Ministry:** There is a crèche for children under four years old (led today by Rosemarie Tiggelovend & Ana Laura Saieg), please ask at the door for more information. Sunday School meets in the church hall (led today by Shawna Snow & Giles Francis).
- **Notices** should be submitted to churchofficer@ercadam.nl by Tuesday before the service for inclusion in the liturgy sheet.
- **Choir** practices take place on Tuesday evenings at 19.30 in the church. To join the choir contact our organist and choir director, Olja Bučo.
- The **Bible Study** will continue this week on Wednesday at 7:45pm. We meet in the Manse, J. W. Brouwersstraat 9. We are studying the book *The Jesus I Never Knew* by Philip Yancey. Everyone is invited!
- **Visiting ministers** will be leading services in our church in the coming months. Today we welcome the Rev. Bill Brown for the last time, and we thank him for taking our services for the past three weeks. Next week's service will be led by the Rev. George Brigham.
- The **Nominating Committee** is busy with the process of finding a new minister for our church, and would like to encourage the congregation to pray regularly for God's guidance in the work the committee is doing, and pray that the Holy Spirit will keep hearts sensitive to God's leading.
- The church is looking to form a committee to fundraise for the **church hall**. Do you have the time, talents and/or enthusiasm to help? Contact Baafi at 06-48369910 or at b.osekyere@chello.nl for more information.
- We are in need of new **Junior Church teachers!!!** If you would like to get to know our 11-16 year-olds and teach a class once a month, please get in touch with Niels Benschop at juniorchurch@ercadam.nl.
- Volunteers are needed to help **serve tea and coffee** after services. If you could help out about once a month, please contact Johan Sloet de Villiers at jhsdev@iafrica.com.
- We also need volunteers for our **open church**. If you can help keep the church open for visitors during the week, even for just a few hours, please contact Els Nooij at openchurch@ercadam.nl.
- The Church has committed to cooking lunch at **De Kloof** homeless shelter once a month. Volunteers are needed between 9am and 3pm. Contact Iain Majcher if you can help: imajcher@gmail.com.
- We have a **weekly collection of non-perishable food** and household goods for distribution through the food bank to those who are in need locally. These can be left in a box in the lobby before the service. Thank you for your support.
- **This liturgy sheet is available in large print. If you would like a large print version, please speak to one of the consistory members on duty.**

Church Contacts

Rev Jim Cowie, Interim Moderator
Mrs Celeste Majcher, Youth Worker
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Our Congregation

Our congregation was founded on 4 February 1607 to serve the English speaking population of Amsterdam. We welcome worshippers from many countries, backgrounds and walks of life. Founded within the Reformed Tradition we are part of the Church of Scotland (Presbyterian) and the Protestant Church of the Netherlands.

The first church in the Begijnhof was built as a private chapel in about 1390; it was destroyed by fire and rebuilt in the 1490s. The church was closed by the Town Council in the Reformation and lay unused for 30 years till in 1607 it was given to English-speaking worshippers in Amsterdam.

Our congregation relies on the support of worshippers, members and friends to maintain our ministries and buildings. We aim to be financially self-supporting both in our own work and in order to give to others in mission. There are different ways to support our congregation; through the gifts of time, talent, and finance. We invite everyone to be involved, and to prayerfully consider how you can support and share the ministry of the congregation.

Bank Accounts

English Reformed Church: IBAN: NL44 ABNA 0547 6235 50
Maintenance Fund: Friends of the English Reformed
Church: IBAN: NL44 ABNA 0624 1800 69

Request for Information

Fill in the form below and hand it in as you leave or send it to the Scriba.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Church Magazine <i>The Record</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Mulanje Mission Hospital (www.mmh.mw) | |

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