

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

April 16<sup>th</sup> 2017

**Easter Sunday**



*Prelude: Voluntary in C, Henry Purcell*

**Introit:** *Jesus, our Lord, is risen today, Melchior Vulpius*

## **Call to Worship and Approach to God**

Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen indeed, alleluia!**

Death shall no longer reign over us!

**Jesus Christ is Lord of all!**

Give thanks for new life!

**Let us celebrate the feast!**

❖ **Hymn 410:** *Jesus Christ is risen today*

❖ **Prayer of approach** (ending with the Lord's Prayer)

*(please say this in whichever language or version you prefer.)*

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.

## **The Word of God**

❖ **Children's address**

❖ **Lesson:** Matthew 28:1-10 (New Testament, p.32)

❖ **Music in Worship:** *Glorious everlasting*, M. Thomas Cousins

❖ **Lesson:** Colossians 3:1-4 (New Testament, 198)

❖ **Hymn 412:**

*The strife is o'er, the battle done*

❖ **Sermon:**

*followed by pause for reflection*

## **Response to God's Word**

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's holy name;

Bless the Lord my soul who rescues me from death.

Bless the Lord my soul and bless God's holy name;

Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.



❖ **Prayers of Intercession**

❖ **Hymn 395:**

*What wondrous love is this?*

❖ **Offering**

*Now the green blade riseth, Austin Lovelace*

❖ **"Hallelujah", G.F. Handel**

❖ **Dedication**

❖ **Confession of faith, Hymn 628:** *I believe in God the Father Almighty*

❖ **The Peace, the Invitation and the story of the Last Supper**

❖ **Prayer of Thanksgiving:**

*The Lord be with you*

**and also with you**

*Lift up your hearts*

**we lift them up to the Lord**

*Let us give thanks*

**It is right to give**

*to the Lord our God*

**our thanks and praise**

... with earth and sea and sky, and all the heavenly host we join in singing...

**Hymn 651:** *Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might...*

❖ **Prayer of Consecration**

**Sharing of bread and wine** (*Note that gluten-free bread will be served on the bread plates and alcohol-free wine will be circulated by an elder*)

*Jesu meine Freude, J.S. Bach*

*In Joseph's lovely garden, trad. Spanish*

*Nina Schroeder and Andy Baker, soloists*

❖ **Prayer**

❖ **Hymn 419:**

*Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son*

## **Sending out with blessing** (*followed by sung Amen*)

*Postlude:*

*Rigaudon, André Campra*

*Please remain in place until the minister has left the Church.*

*Please turn off your mobile phones.*

# A very warm WELCOME to all!

*Our service today is led by our minister, Rev Dr Lance Stone. It is a service of Holy Communion and all who look to Jesus as saviour are invited to partake.*

*Scripture reader is Sally Stone. Prayers of intercession are led by Giles Francis.*

*Consistory members on duty are Nick Thomas & Giles Francis.*

## Notices

- **Visitors** are invited to sign the Visitors' Book after the service.
- There is a **crèche** for children under four years old, please ask at the door.
- **Sunday School** is held at the Church Hall, 282A Nieuwezijds Voorburgwal (see map on back of this service sheet). Parents are asked to collect their children after the end of the service. **Junior Church** to be announced.
- **Prayer:** Someone is available after the service in the chancel (behind the Communion table) for **anyone wishing to be prayed with**.
- There will be no **Midweek Fellowship** this coming week.
- On Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup> there will be a **memorial service for Dick van Spijk** in the church at 2:00pm. All are welcome.
- Anyone interested in a 4 week 'Exploring the Christian Faith' course, looking at the story the Bible tells and how we fit into it? For anyone considering baptism, confirmation, church membership. Contact Lance.
- **Cooking at De Kloof!** Our church is committed to cooking lunch at this homeless shelter every second Monday of the month. Interested? Please contact Tom Flanagan: [dekloof@ercadam.nl](mailto:dekloof@ercadam.nl).
- Interested in work with refugees? Contact Gillian Walker at [gillian.walker.ams@icloud.com](mailto:gillian.walker.ams@icloud.com). A monthly football tournament is planned for the coming months, following the success of the recent one. Many opportunities for volunteering. Contact Gillian or Michael Blazey on [michael.blazey@online.nl](mailto:michael.blazey@online.nl)
- Receive news about our **services, concerts and church life** by signing up to our weekly e-newsletter on the homepage of [www.ercadam.nl](http://www.ercadam.nl).
- This year marks **the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the start of the Reformation**. To mark this, on **Sunday May 7<sup>th</sup>**, our service will end by processing out onto the Spui where we will join with the other churches on the Spui and Singel (Lutherans, Roman Catholics, Mennonites) for an act of witness outside the Oude Lutherse Kerk, followed by refreshments there and a brief talk on the significance of the Reformation today. Please join in!

## Bible Readings for the Coming Weeks

These follow the Revised Common Lectionary, a programme of readings followed by churches all over the world. We normally use two of these passages in our services, sometimes quoting the Psalm in our Call to Worship. The passage or passages we will focus upon is in **bold** type.

You might like to read these passages in advance of Sunday.

April 23<sup>rd</sup> : Acts 2:14a;22-32; Psalm 16; John 20:19-31; 1 Peter 1:3-9.

April 30<sup>th</sup> : Acts 2:14a,36-41; Psalm 116:1-4,12-19; Luke 24:13-35; 1 Peter 1:17-23.

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