

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

August 5<sup>th</sup> 2018

*Preparation (from 10 am)    Silent Prayer (20 mins, front right of church)*

*Prelude: Alas, My God, My Sins Are Great, J.G. Walther*

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

O God, you summon the day to dawn;  
you teach the morning to waken the earth.

**Great is your name, great is your love.**

For you the valleys will sing for joy,  
the trees of the field will clap their hands.

**Great is your name, great is your love.**

To you the monarchs of earth shall bow,  
the poor and the persecuted shall shout for joy.

**Great is your name, great is your love.**

Beside still waters you guide our way,  
you prepare a table to refresh our souls;

**Let everything that has breath praise the Lord.**

❖ **Hymn 160:** *Praise, my soul, the King of heaven*

❖ **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:** 2 Samuel 12:1-9,13-15 (Old Testament, p.294)

❖ **Music in worship:** *Sicilienne, Gabriel Fauré*  
*Christina Espey-Sundt, flute*

❖ **Lesson:** Psalm 51:1-12 (old Testament, p.531)

❖ **Hymn 491:** *Lord Jesus, think on me*

❖ **Sermon:** *This is about me* followed by pause for reflection

## Response to God's Word

- ❖ **Hymn 755:** *Be still and know that I am God*
- ❖ **Prayers of Intercession**
- ❖ **Offering** *Blessed Jesus, We are Gathered at Thy Word, J.S. Bach*
  
- ❖ **Dedication**
- ❖ **Hymn 553:** *Just as I am, without one plea*
- ❖ **Confession of faith, Hymn 628:** *I believe in God the Father Almighty*
- ❖ **The Peace, 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**  
... your body on earth, loving and caring in the world...  
**Behold the lamb of God, behold the lamb of God,  
who takes away the sin, the sin of the world.**
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*Romanza fr. Sonatina, Sverre Jordan*
- Note that gluten-free bread will be served on the bread plates and  
alcohol-free wine will be circulated by an elder.*
  
- ❖ **Prayer**
- ❖ **Hymn 512:** *To God be the glory, great things he has done!*

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

*Postlude: Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Thy Word, D. Buxtehude*

*Please remain in place until the minister and Consistory have left the Church.  
Please turn off your mobile phones.*

*Our service is led this morning by our minister, Rev Dr Lance Stone. This is an all-age Communion service. All the baptised and those who look to Jesus as Saviour are welcome to partake.*

*Scripture reader is Jared Penner. Prayers of intercession are led by Thorsten König.*

*Consistory members on duty are Ingrid Sørensen & Gillian Walker.*

# A very warm WELCOME to all!

Please join us for **refreshments** after the service.

If you are new you might like to visit our **Welcome Desk**.

## Notices

- **Visitors** are invited to sign the Visitors' Book after the service.
- There will be a **retiring collection** at the end of the service for **Mulanje Mission Hospital**, the hospital we support in Malawi.
- There is a **crèche** for children under four years old, please ask at the door.
- There is no **Sunday School** or **Junior Church** this morning as they have stopped for the Summer. They will resume on September 9<sup>th</sup>.
- **Prayer**: If anyone feels in particular need of prayer today, *Margaret Richards* will be available after the service in the chancel, behind the communion table, to pray with them.
- Anyone with a car or access to one interested in helping with the **Food Run**, a means of getting just-past-its-sell-by-date food to needy people? Contact Joe on *joehennes@yahoo.com*.
- **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*.
- Interested in work with refugees? Contact Gillian Walker at *gillian.walker.ams@icloud.com*.
- Receive news about our **services, concerts and church life** by signing up to our weekly e-newsletter on the homepage of *www.ercadam.nl*.
- This liturgy sheet is available in **large print** in the vestibule of the church.

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

Passages we will be focussing on in the service are in **bold type**.

Aug 12<sup>th</sup> : 2 Samuel 18:5-9,15,31-33; Psalm 130; **John 6:1-21**; Ephesians 3:14-21.

Aug 19<sup>th</sup> : 1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14; Psalm 111; **John 6:51-58**; Ephesians 5:15-20.

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Our congregation relies on support through the gifts of time, talent and finance. We aim to be financially self-supporting and generous in outreach and mission.

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