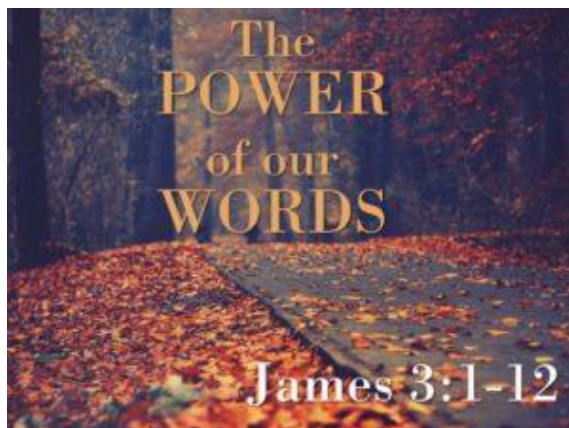


“Within these walls let no-one be a stranger”

September 16th 2018



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

Prelude: Passacaglia in D minor, D. Buxtehude

Call to Worship and Approach to God

Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;
sing the glory of his name;
give to him glorious praise.

Say to God, “How awesome are your deeds!
Because of your great power,
your enemies cringe before you.

**All the earth worships you;
they sing praises to you,
sing praises to your name.”**

Psalm 66;1-4

❖ **Hymn 124:** *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

❖ **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.

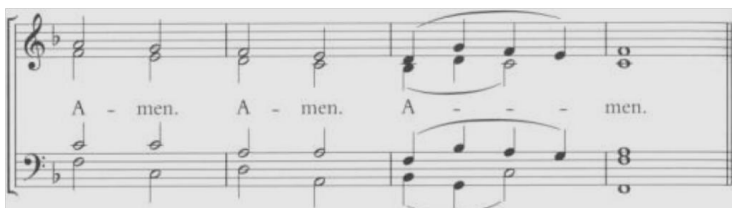
The Word of God

- ❖ **Children's address**
- ❖ **Lesson:** James 3:1-12 (New Testament, p.227)
- ❖ **Hymn 528:** *Make me a channel of your peace*
- ❖ **Music in worship:** *Allemande* from *French Suite No. 5*, J.S. Bach
- ❖ **Lesson:** Psalm 19 (Old Testament, p.510)
- ❖ **Hymn 605:** *Thanks to God whose word was spoken*
- ❖ **Sermon:** *words and worlds* followed by pause for reflection

Response to God's Word

- ❖ **Hymn 612:** *Come to us, creative Spirit*
- ❖ **Prayers of Intercession**
- ❖ **Offering** *Sonata in D*, D. Scarlatti

- ❖ **Dedication; Hymn 810, followed by:**
Gracious God,
of all that you have given us
we offer these gifts back to you:
**Take them and us
and make of us a force
for life and for blessing
in your world. Amen**
- ❖ **Hymn 497:** *Almighty Father of all things that be*
- ❖ **Sending out with blessing** (*followed by sung Amen*)



Postlude: Prelude and Fugue in C minor, John Travers

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

*Our service this morning is led by our minister, Rev Dr Lance Stone.
The Scripture lessons are read by George Meerveld; prayers of
intercession are led by Sally Stone.
Consistory members on duty are Heleen Koning & Peggy Krol.*

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 is a **crèche** for children under four years old, please ask at the door.
- **Sunday School** meets at the Lutheran Church, 4 Handboogstraat, across the Spui. Parents are asked to collect their children after the service.
- **Prayer:** If anyone feels in particular need of prayer today, someone (*Margaret Richards*) will be available after the service in the chancel, behind the communion table, to pray with them.
- **Midweek Fellowship** this Wednesday, Sept. 20th, **Bible Study**, 19.30 at 9 Jan Willem Brouwersstraat. Continuing studies in Daniel: ch.3. All welcome!
- Pastor Lance is planning to run an '**Exploring the Faith**' course (4 weeks) in the autumn. This course takes a look at the story the Bible tells with a view to understanding what it means to be a Christian. For anyone interested in church membership, baptism, confirmation, or just a refresher course in the Christian faith.
- Coming soon: **Harvest Thanksgiving pot-luck lunch** after our morning worship on Sept 30th. Food contributions welcome. See sign-up sheet on notice board.
- Coming soon: **The Meeting of the Church of Scotland International Presbytery**, of which we are a part, will take place here on the weekend of October 11-14. Details to follow.
- 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.

.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**.

Sept 23rd: Proverbs 31:10-31; Psalm 1; Mark 9:30-37; **James 3:13-4:3,7-8a**.

Sept 30th: **Esther 7:1-10,9:20-22**; Psalm 124; Mark 9:38-50; James 5:13-20.

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Our Congregation

Founded in 1607 to serve the English speaking population of Amsterdam, we welcome worshippers from all over the world. Within the Reformed Tradition, we are part of the Church of Scotland (Presbyterian) and the Protestant Church of the Netherlands.

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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Hospital (www.mmh.mw) Volunteering

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