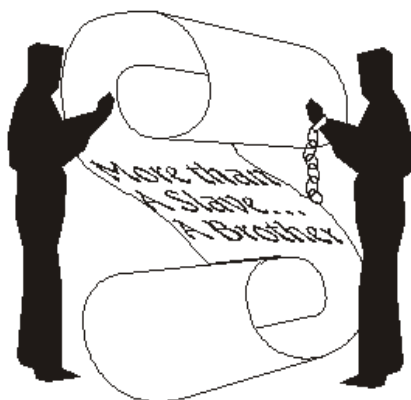


“Within these walls let no-one be a stranger”

September 8th 2019



Preparation: *Silent prayer beside the pulpit, 10.00 – 10.20am*
Prelude: Pavan, Alec Rowley

Call to Worship and Approach to God

Praise the LORD!

Praise the name of the LORD;

give praise, O servants of the LORD,
you that stand in the house of the LORD,
in the courts of the house of our God.

Praise the LORD, for the LORD is good;
sing to his name, for God is gracious..

Psalm 135::1-3

❖ **Hymn 181:**

For the beauty of the earth

❖ **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
- ❖ Celebration of our **Sunday School and Junior Church**
- ❖ **Holy Scripture:** Philemon 1-21 (New Testament, p.214)
- ❖ **Hymn 197:** *As we are gathered, Jesus is here*
- ❖ **Music in worship:** *Teach Me, O Lord*, Thomas Attwood
- ❖ **Holy Scripture:** Luke 14:25-33 (New Testament, p.74)
- ❖ **Hymn 96** (Psalm 139): *You are before me, God, you are behind*
- ❖ **Sermon:** *Paul's subversive gospel followed by pause for reflection*

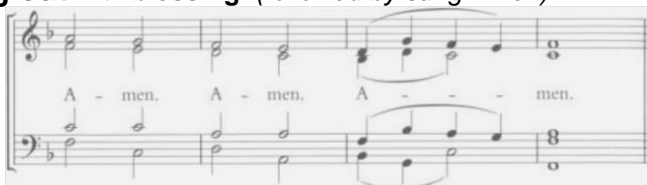
Response to God's Word

- ❖ **Hymn 694:** *Brother, sister, let me serve you*
- ❖ **Prayers of Intercession**
- ❖ **Offering:** *With a Voice of Singing*, Martin Shaw
followed by **Hymn 811** as the offering is brought forward
- ❖ **Dedication**

Eternal God,
all good gifts come from your generous hand
and we give you thanks.
**Use us and these our gifts
to bring your kingdom,
where the chains of captivity are broken
and all are free. Amen.**

Hymn 113: *God the Father of Creation*

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



Postlude: *Erhalt uns Herr bei deinem Wort*, D. Buxtehude

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

*Worship this morning is conducted by our minister, Rev Dr Lance Stone.
Holy Scripture is read by Jens Sørensen, and prayers of intercession
are led by Heleen Koning. Consistory members on duty are Mattia
Falcone and Judi Haynes-Smart.*

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, Junior Church** meet at the Lutheran Church, 4 Handboogstraat, across the Spui. Parents please collect your children after the service.
- **Prayer:** anyone in particular **need of prayer** today, an elder (Peggy Krol) will be available after the service behind the communion table.

This week's activities:

- **Monday, 14.00-16.00 hrs** here at the church: **Angel Yarnbomb Knit-In** – a Christmas outreach project that involves knitting angels. For more info please ask: Sally Stone: sallyannstone7@gmail.com ,or Gillian Walker: gillian.walker.ams@icloud.com.
- **Tuesday, 8.45 hrs** here at the church: **Psalms and Prayers** (30 mins approx.). You are welcome to come for all or part, perhaps before work.
- **Wednesday, 19.30 hrs:** Midweek **Fellowship** this week – Wed 11th Sept, joint **Taizé service** with the Roman Catholic chapel, the Begijnhofkapel across the courtyard: at the Begijnhofkapel.
- **Thursday**, departing 9.00 hrs: **Kerkenpad:** each year we join with other churches from the Spui and Singel for a day out. This year we are going to Hoorn to visit the Golden Age Museum and the Halve Maen replica 17thC ship. Leaflets in the vestibule. *Still some places left.* All welcome!

Other:

- Pastor Lance is planning a **Walk Through The Bible** series: a 4 week course outlining the story the Bible tells and our place in it. For anyone interested in baptism, confirmation, Church membership or just a refresher course in the Christian faith. Interested? Speak to Pastor Lance.
- **Cooking at De Kloof!** Our church cooks lunch at this homeless shelter once per month. Interested in helping? Information at the Welcome Desk..
- If you own a car, could you help with the **Food Run?** We need volunteers to drive 2 hrs per month, within Amsterdam, on either Sunday afternoons or Tuesday or Thursday mornings. Help particularly needed for Oct 17th, 31st, Nov 14th, 28th (car available for those dates if you have a driving licence) For details, contact Joe Alibasah at joehennes@yahoo.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 church vestibule.

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.

Sept 15th: **Exodus 32:7-14**; Psalm 14; Luke 15:1-10; 1Timothy 1:12-17

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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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Request for Information: I would like information about:

- Church Membership Baptisms Concerts Sunday School or Crèche
 Weddings 20s30s Group Church Magazine Mulanje Mission
Hospital (www.mmh.mw) Volunteering

I would like the Minister to contact me:

Please note my change of address:

Name:

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