

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

20th March 2016
Palm Sunday



Preparation:

*Prayer outside Deaconry room, 10.00 – 10.20 am
Gather for a few moments of silent prayer before the service.*

Prelude

Meinen Jesum laß ich nicht, J.G.Walther

Welcome and announcements

Call to Worship and Approach to God

Praise to him who is coming in the name of the Lord!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!

See, your King is coming to you,

Humble, riding on an ass,

He will proclaim peace to the nations.

Gates, raise your arches! Rise, eternal doors!

Let the King of glory in!

Hymn 367

Hosanna ,loud hosanna

Prayer, ending with the Lord's Prayer

(but 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,

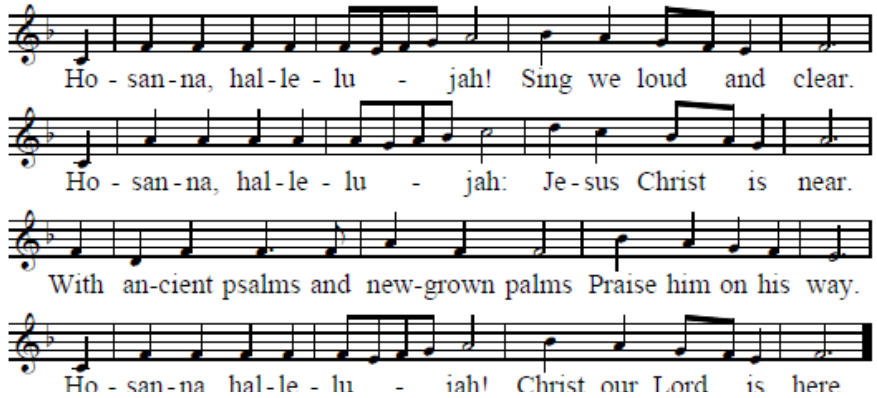
for thine is the Kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

The Word of God

Children's Talk

First Lesson: Luke 19:29-40 (New Testament, p.79)

Hymn:



Ho - san-na, hal-le - lu - jah! Sing we loud and clear.
Ho - san-na, hal-le - lu - jah: Je - sus Christ is near.
With an-cient psalms and new-grown palms Praise him on his way.
Ho - san-na hal-le - lu - iah! Christ our Lord is here

Second Lesson: Philippians 2:5-11 (New Testament, p.194)

Music in worship *Awake, My Soul*, from *The Sacred Harp*, arr. M Bedford

Hymn 78

Oh, set ye open unto me

Sermon *echoes of heaven and earth*

Pause for Reflection

Response to God's Word

Hymn 364

All glory, laud and honour, to you, Redeemer King

Prayers of Intercession

Offering

Lift Up Your Heads from Messiah - G.F. Handel

Prayer of dedication:

Generous God,
if our voices were silent
the very rocks would cry out:
**we offer you these gifts and with them
the worship of our lips and of our lives
to your honour and glory. Amen.**

Hymn 365

Ride on! ride on in majesty!

The Blessing (*Sung Amen*)



Amen Amen Am-----en

Postlude

Entrée - T. Dubois

*The congregation is asked to remain in place until the minister has left the Church.
Please turn off your mobile phone during the service.*

*Our service today is conducted by our minister, Revd Dr Lance Stone.
The reader today is Laura Elliott, member of Consistory.
Consistory members on duty are Judi Haynes-Smart & Mattia Falcone.*

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.
- There are **coffee, tea and cakes** in the church after the service today. We hope you can stay and join us!
- **Children's Ministry** There is a crèche for children under four years old (led today by Amy Poon and Claire Zweers). Sunday School and Junior Church do not meet today, as this is a family service. Children stay in the service.
- **The Membership Roll** is ready for inspection in Consistory Room after the service.
- Remember that every Sunday there is a **time of prayer** outside the Deaconry Room, near the pulpit, from 10:00am until about 10:20am. Come and pray even if only for a few moments, especially for the service and for the life of our church.
- **Next week the time changes!** On 27 March the clocks move ahead one hour, so remember to change your clocks so you can come to our Easter service on time!
- **Lent Daily Devotions** on our website and at:
<http://www.northumbriacommunity.org/offices/morning-prayer/>
- **Cooking at De Kloof!** *De Kloof* is a shelter for homeless people in the centre of Amsterdam. Our church is committed to cooking lunch at the shelter every second Monday of the month. If you are interested in helping, or would like to know more about this project, please contact Gillian Walker at dekloof@ercadam.nl
- **The April Coffee Morning** will be an outing to the *Keukenhof* on 5 April. More information available from the minister, or from either Elly Kalf or Sies Plokker.
- We have a weekly collection of **non-perishable food and household goods** for distribution to those who are in need locally. These can be left in a box in the vestibule of the church before the service. It's a good way to help your neighbour!
- **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.

Easter services & events

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| 23 March, 6.00 pm | Passover celebration (with food) at the Treehouse |
| 24 March, 8:00 pm | Maundy Thursday, with communion |
| 25 March, 8:00 pm | Good Friday, a choir service, preceded by meditative music |
| 26 March 9:00 pm | Easter Service of Light, renewal of Baptismal vows |
| 27 March, 10:30 am | Easter Sunday, a festival service with choir and brass. |



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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 NL44 ABNA 0547 6235 50

Maintenance Fund: Friends of the English Reformed Church: NL99 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.

- I would like information about: Church Membership Baptisms Concerts
 Sunday School or Crèche Weddings Funerals 20s30s Group
 Church Magazine *The Record* Mulanje Mission Hospital (www.mmh.mw)

I would like the Minister to contact me: Please note my change of address:

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Address

Postcode: Town:

Telephone: Email Address: