

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

1st May 2016



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

Prelude

Chant de May, J. Jongen

Welcome and announcements

Call to Worship and Approach to God

Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.

**Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide the nations upon earth.**

Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.

Psalm 67: 3-5

Hymn 202

Stand up and bless the Lord

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 English Reformed Church, Amsterdam

A congregation of the **Church of Scotland**

and the **Protestant Church of the Netherlands** (PKN)

*Our service today is conducted by the Revd David McMillan
David was a Baptist Minister in Northern Ireland for 22 years, involved in peace and
reconciliation work there and is now a member of BMS World Mission, seconded to the
International Baptist Theological Seminary here in Amsterdam. He and his wife
Dorothy are living in Nieuw-Vennep.*

The reader today is Jolmer Gerritse.

Consistory members on duty are Mattia Falcone and Seppo Stout.

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.
- Today we celebrate the **Lord's Supper**. There is gluten-free bread and non-alcoholic wine for those who prefer this. The wine will be served in small individual cups on the left side of the church (under the flags) and in the common cup in the rest of the church.
- After the service today there is the opportunity to give an offering if you would like to support the **Mulanje Mission Hospital** in Malawi, a mission our church has supported for many years. This will be a retiring collection at the door as you leave the sanctuary.
- There are **coffee, tea and cakes** in the church after the service today. We hope you can stay and join us!
- Our minister, the Rev. Lance Stone, is on holiday for the next three Sundays. We are grateful to **the Rev. David McMillan** for leading our service today. Next week we welcome **the Rev. John Bell** to lead our service. If you are in need of pastoral care during our minister's absence, you are welcome to contact Heleen Koning: scriba@ercadam.nl or 06-13097756.
- **Children's Ministry** There is a crèche for children under four years old (led by Carishma Thomas & Isabel Stout today); please ask at the door for more information. Sunday School for ages 4-11 (led today by Sarah Wang and Nick Thomas) and the Junior Church (led by Amy Poon and Floris Harm) meet in the ABC Treehouse, Voetboogstraat 11. Parents are asked to pick up their children there after the service.
- Remember that every Sunday there is a **time of prayer** over beside 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.
- **This week:**
Tuesday May 3rd : Coffee Morning at the home of Charles & Ans van Saagsvelt. More information from either Elly Kalf or Sies Plokker.
NB: There is no Midweek Bible Study this week

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

- 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.

