

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

26th June 2016



Preparation:

Prayer outside Deaconry room, 10.00 – 10.20 am

Prelude

Adagio from 1st Organ Sonata, F. Mendelssohn

Welcome and announcements

Call to Worship and Approach to God

I will call to mind the deeds of the Lord;

I will remember your wonders of old.

You are the God who works wonders;

you have displayed your might among the peoples.

With your strong arm you redeemed your people,

the descendants of Jacob and Joseph. *Psalm 77:11, 14-15*

Hymn 127

O worship the King, all glorious above

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)

The Word of God

Children's talk

First Lesson: 2 Kings 2:1-5 (Old Testament, p.342)

Music in worship

*Thais, J. Massenet
Giles Francis, viola*

Second Lesson: 2 Kings 2:6-14 (Old Testament, p.343)

Chorus: *Swing low, sweet chariot,
Coming for to carry me home,
Swing low, sweet chariot,
Coming for to carry me home.*

1. I looked over Jordan, and what did I see
coming for to carry me home?
a band of angels coming after me,
coming for to carry me home.
2. **If you get there before I do,**
coming for to carry me home;
tell all my friends that I'm coming too,
coming for to carry me home.
3. **I'm sometimes up and sometimes down,**
coming for to carry me home;
but still my soul feels heavenly bound,
coming for to carry me home.
4. The brightest day that I can say,
coming for to carry me home;
when Jesus washed my sins away,
coming for to carry me home.

Sermon: *the sound of silence*

Pause for Reflection

Response to God's Word

Hymn 561

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!

Prayers of Intercession

Offering

Sicilienne, M. Von Paradis

Prayer of dedication: hymn 807, followed by:

Generous God,
You have poured out upon us a share of your Spirit
and an abundance of blessing and gifts.
**We offer back to you these tokens
of our love and gratitude.
Use them and us in your service,
by the power of that same Spirit. Amen.**

Hymn 500

Lord of creation, to you be all praise!



Postlude

Sustain us, Lord, with your word, D. Buxtehude

The congregation is asked to remain in place until the minister leaves 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 Veronica Garcia Robles.

Prayers of intercession are led by Gabriel Morrison.

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.
- There are **coffee, tea and cakes** in the church after the service today. We hope you can stay and join us!
- **Children's Ministry:** Today is a family service so there is no Sunday School or Junior Church. Please note that there is no Sunday School and Junior Church in July and August, so children and young people stay in church for the whole service.
- **Every week** someone is available in the chancel (behind the Communion table) after the service for anyone who might wish to be prayed with.
- 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.
- **KnitIn:** blankets and love for refugees! On Saturday, 16 July we are holding a KnitIn here in the church from 1:00pm-3:30pm. We will be knitting squares to make into blankets for refugees: passing on some of God's and our love to others in need! We are looking for people to join in on the day to knit, sew, or serve tea and cakes. And before the day we are looking for someone to bake cakes! We also need donations of wool to knit into squares. If you would like to contribute in any way- maybe even knit some squares beforehand (20/20cm)- please get in touch with Gillian Walker by emailing events@ercadam.nl. There are boxes in the vestibule in which to deposit wool donations and knitted squares.
- **Midweek Fellowship his week:**
Thursday June 30th at 6:30pm: Ladies Fellowship at the home of Je Hart. For more information see Je, or speak to Sarah Wang.
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.

