

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

July 10<sup>th</sup> 2016



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

*Prelude* *My cause is God's, and I am still; let him do with me*  
*as he will, J.S. Bach*

## **Welcome and announcements**

### **Call to Worship and Approach to God**

Come among us, Jesus,  
you whom angels worship  
and children welcome,  
**Come Jesus and meet us here.**

Come among us, Jesus,  
You who hurled the stars into space  
And shaped the spider's weaving  
**Come Jesus and meet us here.**

Come among us, Jesus,  
You who walked the long road to Jerusalem  
And lit a flame that dances forever.  
**Come Jesus and meet us here.**

**Hymn 181:** *For the beauty of the earth* (tune: Dix)



**English Reformed  
Church Amsterdam**

A congregation of the Church of Scotland and  
the Protestant Church of The Netherlands (PKN)

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 address**

**First Lesson:** Luke 10:25-37 (New Testament, p.68)

**Hymn 544**

*When I needed a neighbour, were you there?*

**Second Lesson:** Psalm 82 (Old Testament, p.553)

**Music in worship**

*If thou but suffer God to guide thee, F. W. Marpurg*

**Hymn 168**

*God weeps at love withheld*

**Sermon**

*Pause for Reflection*

## **Response to God's Word**

**Hymn 710**

*'I have a dream', a man once said*

Prayers of Intercession

**Offering**

*Blessed Jesus, at thy word we are gathered, Richard Purvis*

**Dedication:**

For all your gifts so freely given  
we praise and thank you, living God.

**May these gifts be an expression  
of our love for you and for our neighbours  
and so bear witness to your Kingdom. Amen.**

**Hymn 706**

*For the healing of the nations*

**The Blessing** (*Sung Amen*)

*Postlude*

*Fugue in g-minor, BWV 578, J. S. Bach*

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

# A very warm WELCOME to all worshipping with us.

Refreshments are served in the church after the service. Please join us.

*Our service is conducted by our lay assistant, Veronica Garcia-Robles.*

*The reader is Nora Coers.*

*Prayers of intercession are led by Nick Thomas.*

*Consistory members on duty are Giles Francis and Sarah Wang.*

## Notices

- **Visitors** are invited to sign the Visitors' Book after the service.
- **Children's Ministry** There is a crèche for children under four years old, please ask at the door for more information. Sunday School and Junior Church do not meet in July and August.
- Every week someone is available after the service in the chancel (behind the Communion table) for **anyone who wishes to be prayed with**.
- Remember that every Sunday there is a **time of quiet prayer** over beside the pulpit, from 10:00am until about 10:20am.
- **Receive news** about our services, concerts and church life by signing up for our weekly e-newsletter on the homepage of [www.ercadam.nl](http://www.ercadam.nl).
- **Midweek Fellowship this week:**  
**Wed July 13<sup>th</sup>, 7.30 pm: Joint Taizé service** with the Begijnhof Roman Catholic Chapel. Weather permitting we will hold this out on the Spui. All welcome!

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- **KNIT-IN:** Next Saturday, July 16<sup>th</sup>, we are holding a KnitIn here in the church from 1:00pm-3:30pm, knitting squares to make blankets for refugees. Do come and 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 anyway- maybe even knit some squares beforehand (20/20cm)- please contact Gillian Walker at [events@ercadam.nl](mailto:events@ercadam.nl). There are boxes in the vestibule in which to deposit wool donations and knitted squares.
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- **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](mailto: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!

## Bible Readings for the Coming Weeks

The following are Bible readings for the coming weeks' services. 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 at the start of the service.

You might like to follow these readings during the week as a Bible Reading discipline, especially the passage in **bold type** which we will be focusing on in our service.

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