

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

July 17th 2016



Preparation:

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

Prelude

Cantilena Anglica de Fortuna, Samuel Scheidt

Welcome and announcements

Call to Worship and Approach to God

The world belongs to God,
the earth and all its people.
How good and lovely it is
to live together in unity.
**Love and faith come together,
justice and peace join hands.**
If the Lord's disciples were silent,
these stones would shout aloud.
Lord, open our lips,
and our mouths shall proclaim your praise.

Hymn 22

The Lord's my light and saving health



**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 and welcome of Salonée Paul, Emma Oosterling, Bianca Schriek, Madeline Brown and Charles Brown into membership.

Hymn 597

Loving Spirit, loving Spirit

First Lesson: Luke 10:38-42 (New Testament, p.69)

Music in worship

Notturmo, Edvard Grieg

Second Lesson: Colossians 1:15-22 (New Testament, p.197)

Hymn 601

Look upon us, blessed Lord

Sermon *Today's religion*

Pause for Reflection

Response to God's Word

Hymn 502

Take my life, Lord

Prayers of Intercession

Offering

Cornet voluntary, Starling Goodwin

Dedication, including:

For gifts given to nourish

and for gifts given to nourish our souls we give you thanks.

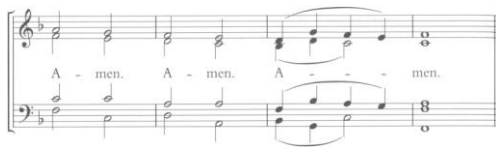
May we and these our offerings

be used in your service to bring life to the world. Amen.

Hymn 497

Almighty Father of all things that be

The Blessing (*Sung Amen*)



Postlude

Toccata, Flor Peeters

The congregation is asked to remain in place until the Minister 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 today is conducted by our minister, Revd Dr Lance Stone.

The reader is Thijs Polstra.

Prayers of intercession are led by George Meerveld.

Consistory members on duty are Laura Elliott and Nick Thomas.

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 to our weekly e-newsletter on the homepage of www.ercadam.nl.
- **Midweek Fellowship this week:**
Wed July 20th , 7.30 pm: Midweek fellowship. Last Bible Study before the Summer break, including desert and refreshments – last in the series on groups Jesus encountered, this week the Zealots.
- Thanks to all who participated in yesterday's **KNIT-IN!**
- **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**. These can be found in the vestibule.

Bible Readings for the Coming Weeks

Below 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.

Sun July 24th : Hosea 1:2-10; Psalm 85; Colossians 2:6-19; **Luke 11:2-23**

Sun July 31st : Hosea 11:1-11; Psalm 107:1-9,43; Colossians 3:1-11; **Luke 12:13-21**

Aug 7th: Isaiah 1:1, 10-20; Psalm 50:1-8,22-23; **Hebrews 11:1-3,8-16**; Luke 12:32-40

Aug 14th : Isaiah 5:1-7; Psalm 80:1-2,8-19, **Hebrews 11:29-12:2**; Luke 12:49-56

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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 all over the world. Founded within the Reformed Tradition we are part of the Church of Scotland (Presbyterian) and the Protestant Church of the Netherlands.

Our congregation relies on the support of worshippers, members and friends to maintain our ministries and buildings. We aim to be financially self-supporting and generous in outreach and mission. There are different ways to support our congregation; through the gifts of time, talent, and finance.

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 or minister.

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 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:

Name:

Address:

Postcode: Town:

Telephone: Email: