

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

July 24th 2016



‘Lord, teach us to pray.’

Preparation:

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

Prelude

May God be merciful to us, J.G. Walther

Welcome and announcements

Call to Worship and Approach to God

I love the LORD, because he has heard
my voice and my supplications.

**Because he inclined his ear to me,
therefore I will call on him as long as I live.**

Gracious is the LORD, and righteous;
our God is merciful.

Psalm 116:1,2,5.

Hymn 129

The Lord is King! lift up your voice!



**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 baptism of Norah Lise, daughter of Erik Hans and Karine Munnik and sister of Louis-Elliot.

Hymn 577

Christ be beside you

First Lesson: Genesis 18:20-32 (Old Testament, p.14)

Music in worship *andante molto* from *Sonata for piano*, Edvard Grieg

Second Lesson: Luke 11:1-13 (New Testament, p.69)

Hymn 641

Seek ye first the Kingdom of God

Sermon *shameless prayer*

Pause for Reflection

Response to God's Word

Hymn 547

What a friend we have in Jesus

Prayers of Intercession

Offering

The Lord's Prayer, J.S. Bach

Dedication, including **Hymn 806**, followed by:

With gratitude and praise to one
who gives good gifts to his children
we present these offerings to you.

Take them and us

and use us to answer our prayers

for a needy world. Amen.

Hymn 521

Children of God, reach out to one another!

The Blessing (*Sung Amen*)



Postlude

Polonaise in A-major, op.40, nr.1, F. Chopin

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.

A special welcome to the family and friends of Norah Lise Munnik, who is being baptised today.

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 Claire Zweers.

Prayers of Intercession are led today by Jens Anders Wejsmark Sørensen.

Consistory members on duty are Thijs Glasz and Seppo Stout.

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 have someone pray with them.**
- 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: Thursday, 28 July at 7:30pm, Men's Group:** fellowship and discussion at Café Luxembourg on the Spui.
- Starting the first Sunday in September we are going to be replacing the monthly family service with a **family Communion service** the first Sunday of the month in which all baptised people will be invited to share, including children (at their parents' discretion). For those who want to consider the sharing of children in Communion, Pastor Lance has produced a small pamphlet, copies of which are available in the vestibule of the church. Please feel free to take one away.
- **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!

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 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
 Aug 21st: Jeremiah 1:4-10; Psalm 71:1-6; **Hebrews 12:18-29**; Luke 13:10-17

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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.

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:

Name:

Address:

Postcode: Town:

Telephone: Email: