

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

July 3rd 2016



‘Wash and be clean.’

Preparation:

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

Prelude

Prélude, Fugue, et Variation, César Franck

Welcome and announcements

Call to Worship and Approach to God

From the rising of the sun
till its setting in the West,
God’s holy name be praised.

In the visions of the old
and the dreaming of the young,
God’s holy name be praised.

On the lips of children,
by babies at the breast,
God’s holy name be praised.

In the banquet hall of heaven
and in earth’s gifts of bread and wine,
Let everything that has breath praise God.

Hymn 157

Sing of the Lord’s goodness

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 address

First Lesson: 2 Kings 5:1-14 (Old Testament, p.346)

Hymn 755

Be still and know that I am God

Second Lesson: Galatians 6:7-10 (New Testament, p.188)

Music in worship

Adagio molto, Alexandre Guilmant

Hymn 30

I waited for the Lord my God

Sermon *The power of a simple testimony*

Pause for Reflection, followed by **Hymn 773** (remain seated)

Response to God's Word

Prayers of Intercession

Offering and dedication

Trompette en dialogue, Louis Clerambault

Hymn 510

Jesus calls us here to meet him

Confession of Faith: Hymn 628, *I believe in God the Father Almighty*

The sharing of the peace, the Invitation and the Story of the Last Supper

Prayer of thanksgiving:

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them up to the Lord.

*Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.***

... with earth and sea and sky, and all the heavenly host we join in in singing:

Hymn 769: *Holy, holy, holy.* Second verse:

In God's name is coming
the One who we call blessed.
Hosanna in the highest.
Praise and thanks to God.

Prayer of Consecration:

... your body on earth, loving and caring in the world...

**Behold the Lamb of God, behold the Lamb of God,
who takes away the sin, the sin of the world.**

Sharing of bread and wine

Choral and variations I + II, Jean Langlais

*Note that gluten-free bread and non-alcoholic wine are available and
will be circulated by the minister.*

Hymn 512

To God be the glory, great things he has done!

The Blessing (*Sung Amen*)

Postlude

Choral and variation III, J. Langlais

The congregation is asked to remain in place until the Consistory have 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 Greg Morrison.

Prayers of intercession are led by Baafi Owusu Sekyere.

Consistory members on duty are Peggy Krol 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 6th, 7.30 pm: Midweek fellowship, 7.30 pm at 9, Jan Willem Brouwersstraat. Last in the series on groups encountered by Jesus: the Zealots.
KNIT-IN: blankets and love for refugees! On **Saturday, 16 July** we are holding a KnitIn here in the church from 1:00pm-3:30pm, knitting squares to make blankets for refugees. 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.
- **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** in the vestibule of the church.

Church Contacts (See profiles of our elders in the church entrance)

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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 Palm 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.

Sunday July 10th: Amos 7:1-17; Palm 82; Colossians 1:1-4; **Luke 10:25-37**

Sunday July 17th : Amos 8:1-12; Psalm 52; Colossians 1:15-28; **Luke 10:38-42**

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

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

Our Congregation

Our congregation was founded on 4 February 1607 to serve the English speaking population of Amsterdam. We welcome worshippers from many countries, backgrounds and walks of life. 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: