

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

October 2<sup>nd</sup> 2016

**Preparation:** *Silent prayer beside the pulpit, 10.00 – 10.20 am*  
*Prelude: Offertoire, Theodore Dubois*

## Call to Worship and Approach to God

Fill this space with songs of love,  
fill this moment with eager hearts,  
**fill this gathering with your Holy Spirit,**  
**as we meet with you here.**

For you are who we long to know;  
and this is how we yearn to live.

**God, we come as we are now**  
**expectant, waiting, longing,**  
**looking for eternity among us,**  
**God with us.**

❖ **Hymn 149:** *Let all creation dance*

❖ **Prayer** (ending with the Lord's Prayer)  
*(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, forever. Amen

## The Word of God

❖ **Children's address**

❖ **First Lesson:** 2 Timothy 1:1-14 (New Testament, p.209)

❖ **Music in worship** *By the Waters of Babylon, Charles Howell*  
*Judi Haynes-Smart, soprano*

❖ **Second Lesson** Luke 17:5-10 (New Testament, p.77)

❖ **Hymn 645:** *I'm not ashamed to own my Lord*

❖ **Sermon: no cowardly spirit** *followed by Pause for Reflection*

## Response to God's Word

Musical score for the hymn "Al-le-lu-ia". The score is written in 3/4 time and features a treble and bass clef. The melody is in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia!" The score includes a first ending and a second ending, both marked with "1." and "2." respectively. The piece concludes with a double bar line and a "D.C." (Da Capo) instruction.

- ❖ **Prayers of Intercession**
  - ❖ **Offering & Dedication** *Tantum ergo sacramentum, Gabriel Fauré*
  - ❖ **Hymn 657:** *Father, most loving, listen to you children*
  - ❖ **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 life them up to the Lord***  
*Let us give thanks      **It is right to give***  
*to the Lord our God      **our thanks and praise***
- ... with earth and sea and sky, and all the heavenly host we join in singing...
- Hymn 651:** *Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might*
- ❖ **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 & wine** *The Lord's My Shepherd, Richard Warner*  
*Note that gluten-free bread will be served on the bread plates and alcohol-free wine will be circulated by an elder.*
  - ❖ **Prayer**
  - ❖ **Hymn 500:** *Lord of creation, to you be all praise!*

**Sending out with blessing** *(followed by sung Amen)*



*Postlude*

*Minuet gothique, Léon Boëllmann*

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*Please remain in place until the minister has left the Church.  
 Please turn off your mobile phone during the service.*

*Our service is conducted by our minister, Rev Dr Lance Stone.  
 Our readers today are Angelina Van Gelderen & Veronica Garcia Robles.  
 Consistory members on duty are Thijs Glasz & Peggy Krol.*

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# A very warm WELCOME to all!

Please join us for refreshments after the service.

## Notices

- **Visitors** are invited to sign the Visitors' Book after the service.
- There is a **crèche** for children under four years old, please ask at the door for more information. Today is Family Communion so there is no Sunday School or Junior Church. Children stay in for Communion.
- **Prayer:** Someone is available after the service in the chancel (behind the Communion table) for **anyone wishing to be prayed with**.
- Tomorrow evening is our **Consistory Meeting (Church elders)** which any member can attend. Minutes of the last meeting are on the notice board.
- Tuesday morning is our monthly **Coffee morning** which will be held at the house of our Scriba, Heleen Koning, starting 10.30 am.
- **Midweek Fellowship** this week is the third in the series 'The Story of God', based on the TV series presented by Morgan Freeman. Wednesday evening, 7.30 pm at Quellijnstraat 126-A. All welcome!
- For our annual **benefit for Mulanje Mission Hospital** on Dec. 8 we will be holding 'A Victorian Christmas Evening', featuring Dickens' *A Christmas Carol* as told by Ashley Ramsdon. We have many fundraising activities in the planning- everyone can contribute to the success of the evening. Opportunities will be posted on the bulletin board. A planning/update meeting will be held on 9 Oct. after the service (and a coffee) in the Consistory Chamber. All are welcome!
- Pastor Lance is planning to run an **enquirers' course** for anyone interested in exploring the Christian faith, church membership, baptism or confirmation. Interested? Speak to Lance or sign up on the notice board.
- We need more people to help on **the coffee rota**. This is a vital ministry. Please take a turn and sign up on the notice board.
- Any artists in the congregation who would like to contribute a picture for the cover of our service sheet? Speak to Lance.
- **Cooking at De Kloof!** Our church is committed to cooking lunch at this homeless shelter every second Monday of the month. Interested? Please contact Tom Flanagan: [tomacwork@hotmail.com](mailto:tomacwork@hotmail.com)
- 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!
- Receive news about our **services, concerts and church life** by signing up to our weekly e-newsletter on the homepage of [www.ercadam.nl](http://www.ercadam.nl).

## Bible Readings for the Coming Weeks

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. The passage we will focus upon is in **bold** type. You might like to read these passages in advance of Sunday.

**Oct 9<sup>th</sup>** : Jeremiah 29:1,4-7; Psalm 66:1-12; **Luke 17:11-19**; 2 Timothy 2:8-15.

**Oct 16<sup>th</sup>** : **Genesis 32:22-31**; Psalm 121; Luke 18:1-8; 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

**Oct 23<sup>rd</sup>** : Joel 2:23-32; Psalm 65; **Luke 18:9-14**; 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

**Oct 30<sup>th</sup>** : Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4; Psalm 119:137-144; **Luke 19:1-10**;

2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12

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