

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

November 20th 2016

Christ the King Sunday



Preparation:

Silent prayer beside the pulpit, 10.00 – 10.20 am

Prelude:

Call to Worship and Approach to God

The LORD is king, he is robed in majesty;

the LORD is robed, he is girded with strength.

He has established the world; it shall never be moved;

your throne is established from of old;

you are from everlasting. *Psalms 93:1,2.*

❖ **Hymn 449:**

Rejoice! the Lord is king

❖ **Prayer of approach** (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 Luke 23:33-43 (New Testament, p.85)
- ❖ Hymn 549: *How deep the Father's love for us*
- ❖ Second Lesson: Colossians 1:11-20 (New Testament, p.197)
- ❖ Hymn 380: *There is a green hill far away*
- ❖ Sermon *followed by pause for reflection*

Response to God's Word

- ❖ Hymn 462: *The king of love my shepherd is*
- ❖ Prayers of Intercession
(Hymn 775: *Jesus, remember me* sung as a response)
- ❖ Offering
- ❖ Dedication: Hymn no.808, followed by:
Gracious God,
we praise you for your abundant giving.
**Use these gifts and our talents
to extend your rule throughout the earth,
to the honour of your name. Amen**
- ❖ Hymn 543: *Longing for light, we wait in darkness*

Sending out with blessing (followed by sung Amen)



Postlude:

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

Our service today is conducted by our lay assistant, Veronica Garcia Robles. The reader is Sarah Nauss. Consistory members on duty are Thijs Glasz & Heleen Koning.

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. **Sunday School** is held at the Church Hall, 282A Nieuwezijds Voorburgwaal (see map on back of this service sheet). Parents are asked to collect their children after the end of the service.
- **Prayer:** Someone is available after the service in the chancel (behind the Communion table) for **anyone wishing to be prayed with**.
- **Midweek Fellowship:** This week Ladies' and Men's Fellowships meet! Ladies meet at the home of Bianca Schriek; Men meet for a meal at restaurant Mappa, 7.30 pm. <http://www.restaurantmappa.nl>. Please let Jaap Maas know if you are coming: jaap.maas@icloud.com.
- **Midweek Fellowship on Wednesday November 30th** will be a service of prayers for healing in the style of the Iona Community.
- Get involved with the annual **Mulanje Mission fundraising event:** Thurs Dec 8th, 7.30 pm, **Charles Dickens' 'A Christmas Carol'!** We need **you** to contribute to a Victorian evening of story-telling, singing, stalls etc. Speak to Sally Stone or sign up on the bulletin board. Raffle prizes of all sizes are needed: speak to Sally or Emma Oosterling.
- **Children's Christmas Party** on Dec 10th, 3.00 – 5.0 pm. Any volunteers to provide some food? Please speak to Veronica, our lay assistant.
- Interested in **outreach to refugees**? Contact Gillian Walker on gillian.walker@tele2.nl.
- **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: 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!
- Receive news about our **services, concerts and church life** by signing up to our weekly e-newsletter on the homepage of 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.

Nov 27th : **Isaiah 2:1-5**; Psalm 122; Matthew 24:36-44; Romans 13:11-14.

Dec 4th : **Isaiah 2:1-5**; Psalm 122; Matthew 24:36-44; Romans 13:11-14.

Dec 11th : **Isaiah 11:1-10**; Psalm 72:1-7,18-19; Matthew 3:1-12; Romans 15:4-13.

Dec 18th : **Isaiah 35:1-10**; Psalm 146:5-10; Matthew 11:2-11; James 5:7-10.

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