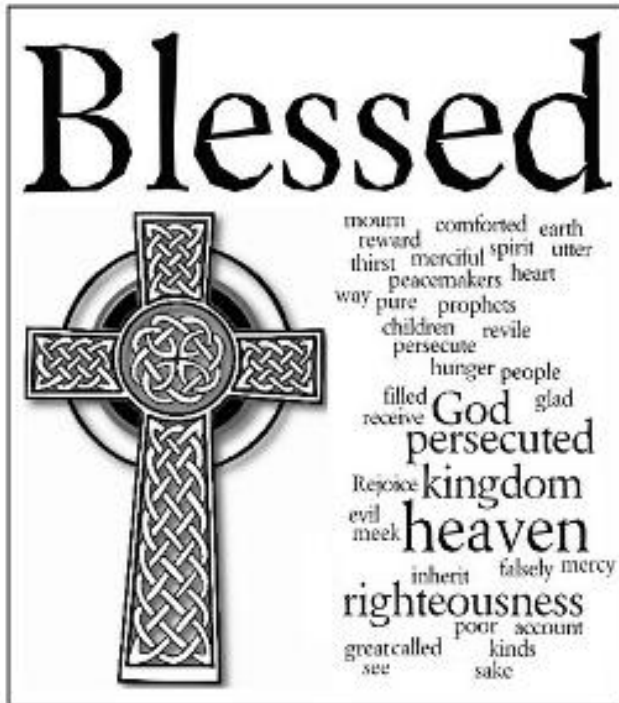


“Within these walls let no-one be a stranger”

January 29th 2017



Preparation:

*Silent prayer beside the pulpit, 10.00 – 10.20 am
Prelude: Three pieces by Samuel Wesley*

Call to Worship and Approach to God

O LORD, who may abide in your tent?

Who may dwell on your holy hill?

Those who walk blamelessly, and do what is right,
and speak the truth from their heart;

Those who do these things shall never be moved.

Psalm 15:1,2,5b

❖ **Hymn 160:**

Praise my soul, the King of heaven

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**
- ❖ **Lesson:** Matthew 5:1-12 (New Testament, p.4)
- ❖ **Hymn 180:** *Give thanks with a grateful heart*
- ❖ **Lesson:** 1 Corinthians 1:18-31 (New Testament, p.162)
- ❖ **Music in worship:** *Blessed are the pure in heart, Robert G. Jones*
- ❖ **Hymn 601:** *Look upon us, blessèd Lord*
- ❖ **Sermon:** *cross-eyed followed by pause for reflection*

Response to God's Word

- ❖ **Hymn 536:** *May the mind of Christ my Saviour*
- ❖ **Prayers of Intercession**
- ❖ **Offering** *Wherewith shall I come before the Lord, Gladys Blakely Bush*
- ❖ **Dedication: Hymn 813 followed by:**
O God you show your faithfulness
by providing for us so generously;
Transform our world we pray
that all may share earth's bounty
and all may know life in all its fullness. Amen.
- ❖ **Hymn 521:** *Children of God, reach out to one another!*

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



Postlude: *Chromatic Fugue/ Fantasia, Joh. Pachelbel*

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

Our service today is conducted by our minister, Revd Dr Lance Stone. The reader is Thijs Glasz. Prayers of Intercession are led by Giles Francis.

Consistory members on duty are Laura Elliott & Judi Haynes-Smart.

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 Voorburgwal (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:** Bible Study on Wednesday, 7:30pm at 9 Jan Willem Brouwersstraat, continuing our studies in Matthew's Gospel.
- The **Junior Church** are collecting socks and underwear for the homeless, for a project they're doing. Please place donations of these (new) items in the box by the entrance door of the church. Thank you!
- Churches in Amsterdam have joined forces to **support refugees**. Football mat5ches are being organized! A way of exercising AND providing refugees with the opportunity of meeting local people and making friends. The first match will be either 24 or 25 March. Level of fitness, age, sex are irrelevant. If you fancy joining in – striker, goalie or maybe even ref!- just let Michael Blazey or Gillian Walker know, at: *gillian.walker.ams@icloud.com*; *michael.blazey@online.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 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.
- 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 or passages we will focus upon is in **bold** type.

You might like to read these passages in advance of Sunday.

Feb 5th : Isaiah 58:3-12; Psalm 112:1-10; **Matthew 5:13-20**; 1 Corinthians 2:1-16

Feb 12th : Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Psalm 119:1-8; **Matthew 5:21-37**;

1 Corinthians 3:1-9.

Feb 19th : Leviticus 19:1-2,9-18; Psalm 119:33-40; Matthew 13:1-13;

1 Corinthians 3:10-11,16-23

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Our Congregation

Founded in 1607 to serve the English speaking population of Amsterdam, we welcome worshippers from all over the world. Within the Reformed Tradition, we are part of the Church of Scotland (Presbyterian) and the Protestant Church of the Netherlands.

Our congregation relies on support through the gifts of time, talent and finance. We aim to be financially self-supporting and generous in outreach and mission.

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Hospital (www.mmh.mw) Volunteering

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Please note my change of address:

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