

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

April 9th 2017

Palm / Passion Sunday



Preparation: *Silent prayer beside the pulpit, 10.00 – 10.20 am*
Prelude: Meinen Jesum laß ich nicht, Joh. Gott Walther

Call to Worship and Approach to God

Praise to him who is coming in the name of the Lord!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!

See, your King is coming to you,

Humble, riding on an ass,

He will proclaim peace to the nations.

Gates, raise your arches! Rise, eternal doors!

Let the King of glory in!

❖ **Hymn 367:** *Hosanna, loud hosanna!*

❖ **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.

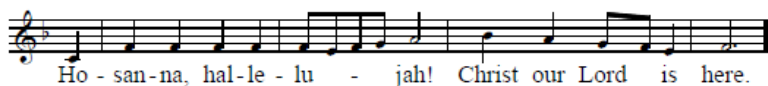
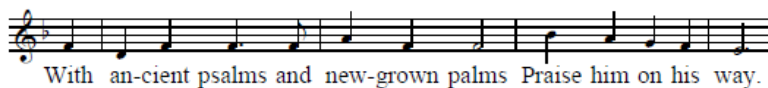
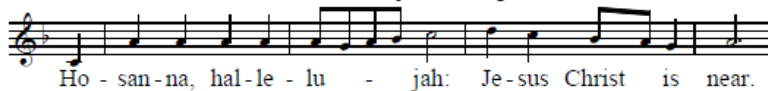
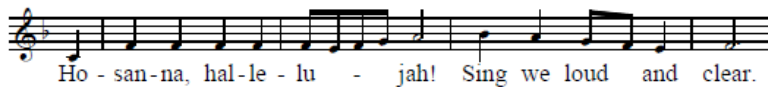
The Word of God

❖ **Children's address**

❖ **Lesson:** Matthew 21:1-17 (New Testament, p.21)

❖ **Hymn with choir**

Hosanna hallelujah! Sing we loud and clear;
Hosanna hallelujah! Jesus Christ is near;
With ancient psalms and new-grown palms, praise him on his way;
Hosanna hallelujah! Christ our Lord is here.



❖ **Music in worship** *Sing on! Dance on!*, Fred Bock
Makachia Ong'ong'a, Kirk Graham, soloists

❖ **Lesson:** Philippians 2:5-11 (New Testament, 194)

❖ **Hymn 279:** *Make way, make way for Christ the King*

❖ **Sermon:** *Jesus the Provocateur,* followed by pause for reflection

Response to God's Word

❖ **Hymn 364:** *All glory, laud and honour to thee redeemer king*

❖ **Prayers of Intercession**

❖ **Offering** *I was glad*, Eugene Butler

❖ **Dedication: Hymn 811 followed by:**

All things praise you, holy God;
heaven and earth declare your glory.

**We offer back to you our lives
that they may join in creation's
offering of praise. Amen.**

❖ **Hymn 365:** *Ride on, ride on in majesty*

Sending out with blessing (followed by sung Amen)

Postlude: *Entrée*, Theodore Dubois

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

A very warm WELCOME to all!

Please join us for refreshments afterwards.

After the service we will be holding our Annual General Meeting. All are invited, and full members of the church are especially requested to stay for this.

Our service today is led by our minister, Rev Dr Lance Stone. Scripture reader is Elisabeth IJmker. Prayers of intercession are led by Pamela Woolley.

Consistory members on duty are Judi Haynes-Smart & Peggy Krol.

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.
- **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**.
- In this season of **LENT** there is a daily a Bible reading, reflection and prayer on the church website: www.ercadam.nl

Holy Week Services:

Thurs April 13th, 18.00 hrs: Passover seder (See below*).

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Friday April 14th, 8 pm: Good Friday service (preceded by devotional music from 7.30 pm).

Saturday April 15th, 9 pm: Easter service of light with renewal of baptismal vows.

Sunday April 16th, 10.30 am: Easter morning Holy Communion service with choir and brass.

**This year we share a passover seder (service) before our service on Maundy Thursday here in the church. We hope many of you will join - children are especially encouraged. On Wednesday evening a group will be preparing food from 18.30 at Nieuwe Kiezersgracht 446 if you'd like to join in good humour and company. Please sign up on the notice board. Any questions, please send an e-mail to Pamela (pw@pamela-woolley.com).*

- **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

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.

April 16th: Acts 10:34-43; Psalm 118:1-2,14-24; **Matthew 28:1-10**; Colossians 3:1-4
April 23rd: Acts 2:14a,22-32; Psalm 16; **John 20:19-31**; 1 Peter 1:3-9.

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