

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

July 16th 2017



Preparation:

Silent prayer beside the pulpit, 10.00 – 10.20 am
Prelude: My cause is God's, J.S. Bach

Call to Worship and Approach to God

I will extol you, my God and King,
and bless your name forever and ever.

**Every day I will bless you,
and praise your name forever and ever.**

Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised;
his greatness is unsearchable.

**One generation shall laud your works to another,
and shall declare your mighty acts.**

Psalm 145:1-4

❖ **Hymn 157:**

Sing of the Lord's goodness

❖ **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 11:16-19,25-30 (New Testament, p.11)
- ❖ **Hymn 461:** *How sweet the name of Jesus sounds*
- ❖ **Music in worship:** *Come unto him*, G. F. Handel
Judi Haynes-Smart, soprano

- ❖ **Lesson:** Romans 7:15-25a (New Testament, p.153)
- ❖ **Hymn 540:** *I heard the voice of Jesus say*
- ❖ **Sermon:** *yoked with Jesus* *Followed by pause for reflection*

Response to God's Word

- ❖ **Hymn 188:** *Thou hidden love of God, whose height*
- ❖ **Prayers of Intercession**

- ❖ **Offering** *Open wide, my heart, thy portals*, J.S. Bach
- ❖ **Dedication: Hymn 810** followed by:
Lord Jesus,
all things have been handed over to you.
so we give to you only what is yours.
**Take these gifts, we pray,
and use them to bring rest to the weary
and life to the world. Amen**

- ❖ **Hymn 529:** *Forth in thy name, O Lord, I go*

Sending out with blessing (followed by sung Amen)



Postlude: Verses from the *Te Deum*, Anon

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

*Our service is led this morning by our minister, Rev Dr Lance Stone.
Scripture reader is Baafi Sekyere. Prayers of intercession are led by
Veronica Garcia Robles.*

Consistory members on duty are Thijs Glasz & Gillian Walker.

A very warm WELCOME to all!

Please join us for refreshments afterwards.

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 sheet). Parents are asked to collect their children after the end of the service. **Junior Church** meet at the entrance to the church to go for their class.
- **Prayer:** Someone is available after the service in the chancel (behind the Communion table) for **anyone wishing to be prayed with**.
- This week's **midweek Fellowship: Wednesday, 7:30pm, Bible Study**, at 9, Jan Willem Brouwersstraat. Continuing our studies in Exodus.
- Also this week: Tuesday July 18th, 7:30pm here: commemoration of the 200th anniversary of the death of **the novelist Jane Austen**. Tickets €10: speak to Lance or Heleen Koning if you're interested.
- Interested in work with refugees? Contact Gillian Walker at gillian.walker.ams@icloud.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.
- 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. It's a good way to help your neighbour!
- There is a **Flower List** hanging in the Consistory room if you would like to sign up to sponsor the flowers on a certain Sunday. Donations can be given to Susan Polstra or to one of the members of Consistory.
- Receive news about our **services, concerts and church life** by signing up to our weekly e-newsletter on the homepage of www.ercadam.nl.
- This liturgy sheet is available in **large print**. Ask in the vestibule.

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

July 23rd : Genesis 25:19-34; Psalm 119:105-112; Matthew 13:1-9,18-23; Romans 8:1-11

July 30th : Genesis 19:15-28; Psalm 105:1-11,45b; Matthew 13:31-33,44-52; Romans 8:26-39

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