

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

July 9th 2017



*‘Whoever gives even a cup of cold water
to one of the least of these...’ Matthew 10:42*

Preparation:

*Silent prayer beside the pulpit, 10.00 – 10.20 am
Prelude: Cantilene, Wm. Faulkes*

Call to Worship and Approach to God

I will sing of your steadfast love, O LORD, forever;
**with my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness
to all generations.**

I declare that your steadfast love is established forever;
your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.

Psalm 89:1-2

❖ **Hymn 132 :** *Immortal, invisible, God only wise*

❖ **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**
- ❖ **Hymn 786:** *May the God of peace go with us*
- ❖ **Lesson:** Matthew 10:40-42 (New Testament, p.10)
- ❖ **Music in worship:** *If thou but suffer God to guide thee, F.W. Marpurg*
- ❖ **Lesson:** Genesis 22:1-19 (Old Testament, p.18)
- ❖ **Hymn 34:** *O send thy light forth and thy truth*
- ❖ **Sermon:** *Terror and trust* *Followed by pause for reflection*

Response to God's Word

- ❖ **Hymn 549:** *How deep the Father's love for us*
- ❖ **Prayers of Intercession**
- ❖ **Offering** *Andante tranquillo* from *3rd organ sonata*, F. Mendelssohn
- ❖ **Dedication: Hymn 810** followed by:
Living God,
you gave us your only Son
in order to bring life to the world.
**Take our offerings as tokens
of our desire to offer all that we have
and all that we are to you. Amen**
- ❖ **Hymn 162:** *The God of Abraham praise*

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



Postlude: *Fantasy in a-minor, J.S Bach/Reger*

*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 Morag MacDougall. Prayers of intercession are led by Nick Thomas. Consistory members on duty are Mattia Falcone & Pamela Woolley.

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** meets 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: joint Taizé service** here at the church, **7:30pm**, with our neighbours from the Begijnhof chapel across the courtyard. All welcome to this very different style of worship.
- Interested in **work with refugees**? Contact Gillian Walker at gillian.walker.ams@icloud.com or Michael Blazey on michael.blazey@online.nl.
- **27 August: Summer potluck picnic!** This year we will enjoy the last Sunday of summer breaking bread with people from the World House in their garden (Nieuwe Herengracht 20). Bring your favourite dish to share!
- **24 September:** Our traditional annual Harvest Thanksgiving lunch at the church.
- **29-30 September:** autumn/winter clothing **Swap and Shop!** Bring in clothing, shoes and accessories *in good condition* (no undergarments or socks) throughout the month of September. On the evening of 29 September you can come help set everything up and on 30 September we will invite refugees to shop. More details to follow.
- Coming soon: Tuesday July 18th, 7:30pm here: commemoration of the 200th anniversary of the death of **the novelist Jane Austen**. Tickets €10: speak to Pastor Lance or Heleen Koning if you're interested.
- **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 16th : Genesis 24:34-49,58-67; Psalm 45:10-17; Matthew 11:16-30; Romans 7:15-21a

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

