

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

August 6th 2017

Service including Holy Communion

Prelude

Adagio from *Sonata no 1*, F. Mendelssohn

Welcome and Call to Worship

Thanks be to you, O God
that we have risen this day
to the rising of this life itself.

Be the purpose of God
between us and each purpose,
the hand of God
between us and each hand.

The pain of Christ
between us and each pain,
the love of Christ
between us and each love.

O God, who brought us
to the bright light of this new day,
bring us
to the guiding light of eternity.

❖ **Hymn 352**

O for a thousand tongues

❖ **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 Talk**

❖ **Hymn 496**

Humbly in your sight

❖ **Lesson:**

1st Corinthians 11: 17-26 (NT p.170)

❖ **Music in worship:**

Au pied de mon lit, Nadia Boulanger
Persephone Abbott, soprano

❖ **Lesson:**

Mark 2:15-20 (NT, p.34)

- ❖ **Hymn 603** *For your gift of God the Spirit*
- ❖ **Sermon** *Followed by pause for reflection*

- ❖ **Prayers of intercession**
- ❖ **Offering** *Lord Jesus Christ, now turn to us, Georg Böhm*
- ❖ **Dedication** *(the congregation stands and sings the Doxology at hymn 806 as the offering is brought forward)*
- ❖ **The Apostles Creed** *(words at Hymn 628)*
- ❖ **Invitation to the Table**
- ❖ **Hymn 663** *Bread of Life*
- ❖ **The Story of the Supper**
- ❖ **Prayer of Thanksgiving:**

<i>The Lord be with you</i>	and also with you
<i>Lift up your hearts!</i>	we lift them to the Lord
<i>Let us give thanks</i>	It is right to give
<i>to the Lord our God</i>	our thanks and praise

*The prayer continues and during it we sing the Sanctus, Hymn 651.
We say the Agnus Dei:*

Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,
give us your peace.
- ❖ **The Sharing in Communion** *Choral & Variations 1 & 2, Jean Langlais*
Note that gluten-free bread will be served on the bread plates and alcohol-free wine will be circulated by an elder.
- ❖ **The Peace** *(We greet each other saying, 'Peace be with you' or other appropriate words)*
- ❖ **Prayer**
- ❖ **Hymn 110** *Glory be to God the Father*

Benediction *(followed by sung Amen)*

Postlude: *Choral & Variation 3, J. Langlais*

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

Our service is led this morning by the Rev. John Bell. Scripture reader is Elisabeth IJmker. Consistory members on duty are Laura Elliot & Thorsten König.

A very warm WELCOME to all!

Please join us for refreshments afterwards.

In our church Holy Communion is offered to all ages, including all the baptised and those who look to Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord.

Notices

- **Visitors** are invited to sign the Visitors' Book after the service.
- We welcome back the **Rev. John Bell** from the Iona community as our preacher for the next two Sundays while Pastor Lance is on holiday. Rev. Bell will be living in the manse and offering pastoral cover. Pastor Lance returns for the August 20th service.
- There is a **crèche** for children under four years old, please ask at the door.
- **Sunday School** does not meet today, as this is a family service. Children are invited to sit with their families.
- **Prayer:** Someone is available after the service in the chancel (behind the Communion table) for **anyone wishing to be prayed with**.
- **Queen Maria Day celebration:** anyone interested in this event celebrating the feminine and the divine on August 22nd see the notice board for further details
- **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!
- **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.
- 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 the vestibule in **large print**.

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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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