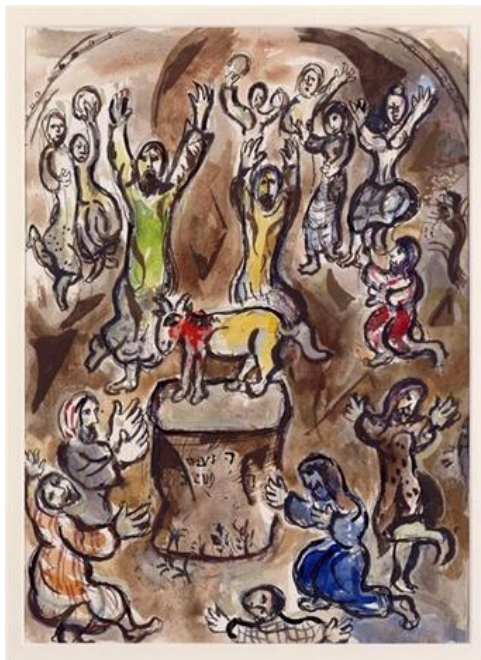


“Within these walls let no-one be a stranger”

15 October 2017



The adoration of the Golden Calf by Marc Chagall

Preparation

Silent prayer beside the pulpit, 10.00 – 10.20 am

Prelude

May God be merciful to us (J.G. Walther)

Call to Worship and Approach to God

Praise the LORD!

O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;

for his steadfast love endures forever.

Who can utter the mighty doings of the LORD,
or declare all his praise?

**Happy are those who observe justice,
who do righteousness at all times. (Psalm 106:1-3)**

❖ Hymn 512

To God be the glory!

- ❖ **Prayer** (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 271** *Loving God, you see us here*
- ❖ **First Lesson** Exodus 32:1 – 14 (Old Testament, p.80)
- ❖ **Music in Worship** *Now pray we (D. Buxtehude)*
- ❖ **Second Lesson** Philippians 4:1-9 (New Testament, p.196)
- ❖ **Hymn 536** *May the mind of Christ my Saviour*
- ❖ **Sermon** *Followed by pause for reflection*

Response to God's Word

- ❖ **Hymn 818** *Praise ye the Lord, ye servants of the Lord*
- ❖ **Prayers of Intercession**
- ❖ **Offering** *The Lord's Prayer (J.S. Bach)*
- ❖ **Dedication: Hymn 110 (verse 1)** followed by:
 Loving God,
 you give us so much
 and we offer back to you these gifts
 with grateful hearts.
 Use them and us to glorify
 your name in all the earth. Amen
- ❖ **Hymn 497** *Almighty Father of all things that be*
- ❖ **Sending out with Blessing**

Postlude

Prelude and Fugue in C (J S Bach)

*Please remain in place until the preacher has left the Church.
 Please turn off your mobile phone during the service
 Today's reader is Jaap Maas and Prayers of intercession are led by
 Elizabeth Cavert Morrison.
 Consistory members on duty are Mattia Falcone and Jaap Maas.*

Please note that there will be a **church meeting** soon after the service, when our Treasurer Thorsten Koenig and his wife Astrid will update us on their recent visit to Mulanje Mission Hospital in Malawi which this church supports.
Please stay if you can.

A very warm WELCOME to all!

Please join us for refreshments here in the church 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** and **Junior Church** meet at the Lutheran Church, 4 Handboogstraat, across the Spui. Parents are asked to collect their children after the service. Teachers are Je Hart and Veronica Garcia Robles (Sunday School) and Carl Darlington for Junior Church.
- **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**, 19.30 hrs at 9, Jan Willem Brouwersstraat. We are beginning a series on the Acts of the Apostles
- Next **Sunday October 22nd at 2.30 pm**, as part of **our 500th anniversary of the Reformation celebrations**, residents of the Begijnhof, members of the Roman Catholic Chapel across the yard and our church will gather to remember the history of the Begijnhof, to enjoy some music and refreshments. Please join us for this opportunity for friendship and fellowship amongst these communities based here at the Begijnhof
- Tickets are now on sale for the **2017 Mulanje Mission Hospital Benefit Concert** which is on Friday, 17 November at 7:30pm. Go to ercadam.nl/mmhconcert2017 or see Ingrid for more information.
- Interested in work with refugees? Contact Gillian Walker at gillian.walker.ams@icloud.com.
- We need more people to help on the **coffee rota**. This is a vital ministry. Please take a turn and sign up on the notice board.
- **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 before the service. It's a good way to help your neighbour!
- 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 we will focus upon is in **bold** type. You might like to read these passages in advance of Sunday.

Oct 22nd : Exodus 33:12-23; Palm 99; **Matthew 22:15-22**; 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Oct 29th: **Deuteronomy 34:1-12**; Psalm 90:1-6,13-17; Matthew 22:34-46;

1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

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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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 I would like information about:

- Church Membership Baptisms Concerts Sunday School or Crèche
- Weddings 20s30s Group Church Magazine
- Mulanje Mission Hospital (www.mmh.mw) Volunteering

I would like the Minister to contact me:

Please note my change of address:

Name:

Address & Postcode

Telephone..... Email.....



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