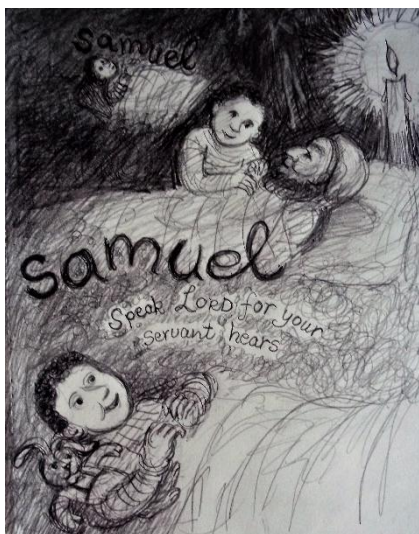


“Within these walls let no-one be a stranger”

January 14th 2018



Morag MacDougall

Preparation: *Silent prayer beside the pulpit, 10.00 – 10.20 am*
Prelude: To Thee Alone, Lord Jesus Christ, Joh. Pachelbel

Call to Worship and Approach to God

Where can I go from your spirit?
Or where can I flee from your presence?
If I ascend to heaven, you are there;
if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there.
If I take the wings of the morning
and settle at the farthest limits of the sea,
even there your hand shall lead me,
and your right hand shall hold me fast.

Psalms 139:7-10

❖ **Hymn 202:** *Stand up and bless the Lord*

❖ **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
- ❖ First Lesson 1 Samuel 3:1-10 (Old Testament, p.254)
- ❖ Hymn 606: *Lord, you sometimes speak in wonders*
- ❖ Music in worship: *Let Your Eye Be to the Lord*, Daniel Moe
- ❖ Second Lesson: John 1:43-51 (New Testament, p.89)
- ❖ Hymn 601: *Look upon us, blessed Lord*
- ❖ Sermon: *The call of God* followed by pause for reflection

Response to God's Word

- ❖ Hymn 251: *I, the Lord of sea and sky*
- ❖ Prayers of intercession
- ❖ Offering *Shall We Gather at the River*, arr. Donald Moore
- ❖ Dedication: hymn 813 followed by:
Loving God,
we bring these offerings in response to your call:
**make us generous in love
and faithful in service,
that your Kingdom might draw near. Amen.**
- ❖ Hymn 509: *Jesus calls us! O'er the tumult*

Sending out with blessing (followed by sung Amen)



Postlude: *Fantasia in C*, J.S. Bach

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

*Our service today is conducted by our minister, Rev Dr Lance Stone.
The reader is Rev Julia Meason. Prayers of intercession are led by
Gillian Walker. Consistory members on duty are Judi Haynes-Smart
& Gillian Walker.*

A very warm WELCOME to all!

Please join us for **refreshments** after the service.

If you are new you might like to visit our **Welcome Desk**.

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** and **Junior Church** meet at the Lutheran Church, 4 Handboogstraat, across the Spui. Parents are asked to collect their children after the service.
- **Prayer:** Someone is available after the service in the chancel (behind the Communion table) for **anyone wishing to be prayed with**.

Services for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity:

This afternoon: 4:00pm, ecumenical service with the other churches around the Spui, at the Oude Lutherse Kerk on The Spui.

Next Sunday, evening prayer, 4:00pm, the Oude Kerk, Oudekerksplein.

- **Midweek Fellowship** this week: Wednesday, 7:30pm, **Bible Study** at 9 Jan Willem Brouwersstraat.
- Saturday January 27th, **Burns Supper**, celebrating the Scottish poet Robert Burns, here at the church. Come and, if you like, bring a song to sing or a poem to read. Please sign up on the notice board. Might you be able to help with cooking, etc? Speak to Thijs Glasz, Sally Stone, or volunteer on the notice board.
- Interested in work with refugees? Contact Gillian Walker at gillian.walker.ams@icloud.com.
- Interested in joining a **WhatsApp Bible reading group**, reading through Mark's Gospel? Especially (though not exclusively) aimed at Christians who are young in the faith and keen to learn. Speak to Pastor Lance.
- **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.

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.

Jan 21st : Jonah 3:1-5,10; Psalm 62:5-12; **Mark 1:14-20**; 1 Corinthians 7:29-31.

Jan 28th : Deuteronomy 18:15-20, Psalm 111; 1 Corinthians 8:1-13; **Mark 1:21-28**.

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Our Congregation

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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