

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

April 1st 2018, **Easter Sunday**



Painting by Richard Stokoe

Prelude: *Trumpet Tune*, Richard C. Baker
Feierlicher Einzug, Richard Strauss

Choir Introit: *Alleluia! We Sing with Joy*, Jacob Handl

Call to Worship and Approach to God

Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed, alleluia!

Death shall no longer reign over us!

Jesus Christ is Lord of all!

Give thanks for new life!

Let us celebrate the feast!

❖ **Hymn 410:** *Jesus Christ is risen today*

❖ **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 with decoration of cross and Hymn 417**

❖ **Lesson:** Mark 16:1-8 (New Testament, p.52)

- ❖ **Music in Worship:** *Christ the Lord Is Risen Again*, Eric Thiman
- ❖ **Lesson:** 1 Corinthians 15:1-10a (New Testament, p.172)
- ❖ **Hymn 423:** *I know that my Redeemer lives*
- ❖ **Sermon:** *The Last Word* followed by pause for reflection

Response to God's Word

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's ho-ly name. Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me in-to life.

- ❖ **Prayers of Intercession**
- ❖ **Offering, Hymn 415**
 - verse 1 All
 - verse 3 Choir
 - verse 2 All
 - verse 1 All
- ❖ **Hallelujah Chorus followed by dedication**
- ❖ **Confession of faith, Hymn 628:** *I believe in God the Father Almighty*
- ❖ **The Peace, the Invitation and the story of the Last Supper**
- ❖ **Prayer of Thanksgiving:**

<i>The Lord be with you</i>	and also with you
<i>Lift up your hearts</i>	we lift them up 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

... with earth and sea and sky, and all the heavenly host we join in singing...
- ❖ **Hymn 651:** Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might...
- ❖ **Prayer of Consecration**
- ❖ **Sharing of bread and wine**
 - Fantasia super: "Jesu, meine Freude", J.S.Bach*
 - Alleluia, Randall Thompson*

Note that gluten-free bread will be served on the bread plates and alcohol-free wine will be circulated by an elder.
- ❖ **Prayer**
- ❖ **Hymn 419:** *Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son*

Sending out with blessing (followed by sung Amen)

Postlude: *Praise the Lord with Drums and Cymbals*, Sigfrid Karg-Elert

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

A very warm WELCOME to all!

Our service today is led by our minister, Rev Dr Lance Stone. It is a service of Holy Communion and all who look to Jesus as Saviour are invited to partake. There is Sunday School for children (see below,) or they are invited to stay in the service and take Holy Communion, at their parents' discretion. There is no Junior Church this morning.

Scripture reader is Rosemarie Tiggelovend. Prayers of intercession are led by Thijs Glasz. Consistory members on duty are Gillian Walker & Nick Thomas.

We welcome our guest instrumentalists today: Ivo van Gennip & Piotr Majoor, trumpets; Milo Maestri, horn; Joao Canelas, trombone; and Andoni Monux Ugalde, tuba.

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** meets 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 for **anyone wishing to be prayed with**.
- There will be **no Midweek Fellowship** this coming week.
- Please note that next Sunday, April 15th, after the service, we will beholding **our Annual General Meeting**. The Book of Reports is available online, or in hard copy at the church entrance today. All full members should attend if possible and other regular attenders.
- Anyone interested in a 4-week 'Exploring the Christian Faith' course, looking at the story the Bible tells and how we fit into it? For anyone considering baptism, confirmation, church membership. Contact Lance.
- Anyone with a car or access to one interested in helping with the **Food Run**, a means of getting just-past-its-sell-by-food to needy people? This would be part of a rota currently involving you about once per month. Contact Joe on joehennes@yahoo.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.
- Interested in work with refugees? Contact Gillian Walker at gillian.walker.ams@icloud.com.
- 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.

April 8th : Acts 4:32-35; Psalm 133; **John 20:19-31**; 1 John 1:1-22.

April 15th : **Acts 3:12-19**; psalm 4; Luke 24:36b-48; 1 John 3:1-7.

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