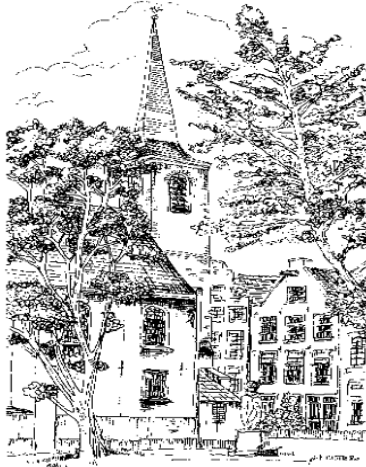


# ***“Within these walls let no-one be a stranger”***

May 20<sup>th</sup> 2018



*Prelude: The Glorious Day Has Appeared, Ernst Pepping*

## **Call to Worship and Approach to God**

I will bless the LORD at all times;  
**his praise shall continually be in my mouth.**  
My soul makes its boast in the LORD;  
**let the humble hear and be glad.**  
O magnify the LORD with me,  
**and let us exalt his name together.**

Psalm 34

❖ **Hymn 352:** *O For a Thousand Tongues, to Sing*

❖ **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**

Ezekiel 37:1-14 (Old Testament p.820)

- ❖ **Hymn 133:** *Source and Sovereign, Rock and Cloud*
- ❖ **Music in worship:** *I'm Gonna Sing 'Til the Spirit Moves in My Heart,*  
Moses Hogan  
*Thijs Glasz, double bass*
- ❖ **Second Lesson:** Acts 2: 1-21 (New Testament p. 115)
- ❖ **Hymn 739:** *The Church's One Foundation*
- ❖ **Sermon** *followed by pause for reflection*

## Response to God's Word

- ❖ **Hymn 608:** *Spirit of Truth and Grace*
- ❖ **Prayers of intercession**
- ❖ **Offering** *All People at This Hour, J.S. Bach*  
*Christina Espey-Sundt, flute; Giles Francis, violin*
- ❖ **Dedication: hymn 811** followed by:  
Lord, accept, we pray, these our material gifts to further  
your work in this world,  
**as our gifts of praise to you burst from our mouths  
for all to hear. Amen**
- ❖ **Hymn 682:** *Go in Grace and Make Disciples*

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



*Postlude: Concert II, allegro Moderato, J.S. Bach (after Vivaldi)*

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

*Our service today is conducted by Nick Thomas, one of our elders.  
Our minister is at the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland  
gathering in Edinburgh this week.  
The reader today Veronica Garcia Robles. Prayers of intercession  
are led by Heleen Koning. Consistory members on duty are Gillian  
Walker & Giles Francis.*

# 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** meets at the Lutheran Church, 4 Handboogstraat, across the Spui. Parents are asked to collect their children after the service.
- **Prayer:** Someone (*Margaret Richards*) is available after the service in the chancel for **anyone wishing to be prayed with**.
- The **General Assemble of the Church of Scotland** (of which we are a part) began yesterday and continues this week in Edinburgh. Pastor Lance and our elder Ingrid Sørensen are attending. Please pray for the Assembly. You can follow the proceedings on the Church of Scotland website.
- Coming soon: **Ladies Fellowship**, Wednesday May 30<sup>th</sup>, will be a **Film Evening**, watching 'The War Room', about a Christian family under pressure. Men invited too! At the manse, starting at 7:00pm with drinks and dessert. More info from Peggy Krol or Pastor 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*.
- 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!
- 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** 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. The passage or passages we will focus upon is in **bold** type. You might like to read these passages in advance of Sunday.

May 27<sup>th</sup> ; **Isaiah 6:1-8**; Psalm 29; John 3:1-17; Romans 8:12-17

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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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