

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

June 17<sup>th</sup> 2018



*Prelude: Ciacona, D. Buxtehude*

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

Some take pride in chariots, and some in horses,  
**but our pride is in the name of the LORD our God.**

They will collapse and fall,  
but we shall rise and stand upright.

**Give victory to the king, O LORD;  
answer us when we call.**

*Psalm 20:7-8*

❖ **Hymn 192:** *All my hope on God is founded*

❖ **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**

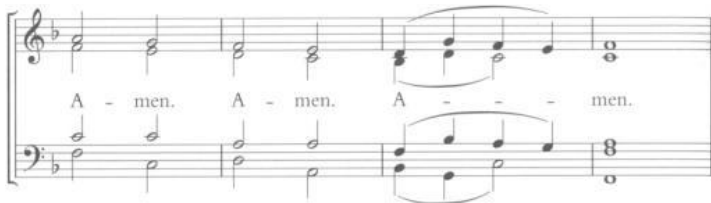
❖ **Lesson:**

Mark 4:26-34 (New Testament, p.37)

- ❖ **Hymn 473:** *'Thy kingdom come!' – on bended knee*
- ❖ **Music in worship** *Prière à Notre-Dame, L. Boëllmann*
- ❖ **Lesson:** 2 Corinthians 5:6-10 (New Testament, p.178)
- ❖ **Hymn 343:** *The reign of God, like farmer's field*
- ❖ **Sermon** *followed by pause for reflection*

## Response to God's Word

- ❖ **Hymn 625:** *O thou who camest from above*
- ❖ **Prayers of Intercession**
- ❖ **Offering** *2 minuets, H. Purcell*
- ❖ **Dedication; Hymn 808, followed by:**  
 Gracious God,  
 of what you have given to us  
 we give back to you.  
**Take our gifts,  
 take our lives  
 and use them as seeds  
 of your coming Kingdom. Amen.**
- ❖ **Hymn 622:** *We sing a love that sets all people free*
- ❖ **Sending out with blessing** *(followed by sung Amen)*



*Postlude: Fantasia and Fugue in C minor*

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

*Our service is led by Rev Robert Jan Bakker, a minister of the Protestantse Kerk in Nederland and an old friend to the English Reformed Church. Our pastor, Lance, returns this week on Wednesday from holiday.*

*Today's reader is Andrea Hayes. Consistory members on duty are Sarah Wang and Pamela Woolley.*

# 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 (Judi Haynes-Smart) is available after the service in the chancel for **anyone wishing to be prayed with**.
- **Midweek Fellowship:** Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup>, 7.30pm, **Bible Study** at 9, Jan Willem Brouwersstraat, 1071LH, studying chapter 4 of Paul's Letter to the Ephesians.

Coming soon: **Church Picnic** on Sunday July 8<sup>th</sup> after the service. Venue: the Wereldhuis, Nieuwe Herengracht 18, 1018 DP Amsterdam, a 20 minute walk from the church.

- 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](mailto: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](mailto:dekloof@ercadam.nl).
- Interested in work with refugees? Contact Gillian Walker at [gillian.walker.ams@icloud.com](mailto: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!
- 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](http://www.ercadam.nl).
- This liturgy sheet is available in **large print** in the vestibule of the church.

## 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.

June 24<sup>th</sup>: **1 Samuel 17:(1a, 4-11,19-23)32-49**; Psalm 9:9-20; Mark 4:35-41;  
2 Corinthians 6:i-13.

July 1<sup>st</sup>: 2 Samuel 1:1,17-27; Psalm130; Mark 5:21-43; 2 Corinthians 8:7-15.

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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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