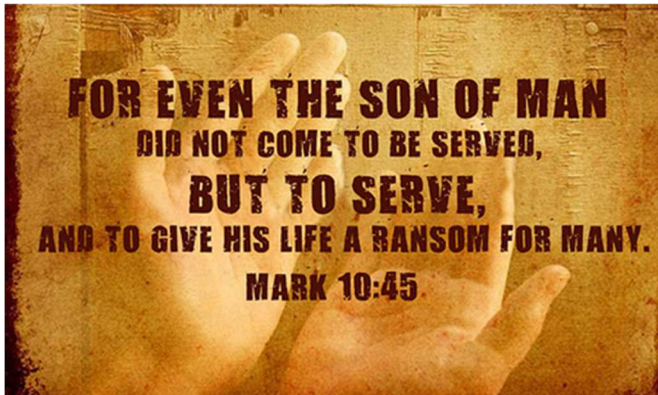


“Within these walls, let no-one be a stranger”

21 October 2018



Preparation

Silent prayer beside the pulpit, 10.00 – 10.20 am

Prelude

Communion, Cesar Franck

Call to Worship and Approach to God

Bless the LORD, O my soul.

O LORD my God, you are very great.

**You are clothed with honour and majesty,
wrapped in light as with a garment.**

You stretch out the heavens like a tent,
you set the beams of your chambers on the waters,

you make the clouds your chariot,

you ride on the wings of the wind,

you make the winds your messengers,

fire and flame your ministers. *Psalm 104:1-4*

❖ **Hymn 147** omit v.3 & 6

All creatures of our God and King

❖ **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**
- ❖ **First Lesson** Mark 10:35-45 (New Testament p.45)
- ❖ **Hymn 347** *From heaven you came*
- ❖ **Music in Worship** *"The People Will Tell of Their Wisdom"* G.F. Handel
Judi Haynes-Smart and Irene Wielemaker, soprano

- ❖ **Second Lesson** Hebrews 5:7-10 (New Testament, p.217)
- ❖ **Hymn 634** *Word of the Father, the life of creation*
- ❖ **Sermon** *Faith's reward* *Followed by pause for reflection*

Response to God's Word

- ❖ **Hymn 520** *Ye who the name of Jesus bear*
- ❖ **Prayers of Intercession**
- ❖ **Offering** *O God, O Lord of Heaven and Earth, Jan Bender*
- ❖ **Dedication: Hymn 808 followed by:**
Living God,
you gave us this word in all its splendor;
you gave us Jesus who came to serve:
we give you these tokens of our love,
asking that they may be used
in the service of your Kingdom. Amen.

- ❖ **Hymn 113** *God the Father of Creation*

Sending out with blessing (followed by sung Amen)



Postlude

Toccata in A-minor Jan Pieterszn Sweelinck

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

*Our service today is conducted by our minister Rev Dr Lance Stone.
Scripture reader is Rosemarie Tiggelovend.
Children's address and prayers of intercession are led
by our student minister, Alexander Noordijk.
Consistory members on duty are Mattia Falcone and Giles Francis.*

A very warm WELCOME to all!

Please join us for refreshments here in the church 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 for more information. **Sunday School and Junior Church** held at the Handboogsteeg 4, the hall of the Lutheran church. Parents are asked to collect their children after the end of the service.
- **Prayer:** If anyone feels in particular need of prayer today, an elder will be available after the service in the chancel, behind the communion table, to pray with them.
- **Midweek Fellowship** this Thursday Oct 25th, 19.30, Ladies' Fellowship . All welcome!
- Pastor Lance is planning to run an "**Exploring the Faith**" course (4 weeks) soon. The course looks at the story the Bible tells with a view to understanding what it means to be a Christian. For anyone interested in church membership, baptism, confirmation or just a refresher course in the Christian faith.
- Next Saturday October 27th: '**pub quiz**': here at the church, 19.00 hrs. Joint quiz evening with the ladies of the Begijnhof, raising funds for the Mulanje Mission Hospital. Cost €3 including a free drink. We need teams to compete – do come along!
- 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 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 28th : Job 42:1-6,10-17; Psalm 126; **Mark 10:46-52**; Hebrews 7:23-28.

Nov 4th : Ruth 1:1-18; Psalm 146; Mark 12:28-34; Hebrews 9:11-14

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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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Request for Information: 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:

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Address & Postcode

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