

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

January 20th 2019



Preparation: *Silent prayer, 10.00 am, 20 mins, front right of church*

Prelude: Variations on 'Auf meinen lieben Gott', D. Buxtehude

Call to Worship and Approach to God

Come, Creator God, Maker of all things,
Come to your house and tarry with us.

Come, Lord Jesus Christ, Saviour of the world,
Come to your people who cry, 'Jesus is Lord!'

Come, Spirit of God, Spirit of Jesus, giver of gifts,
Come and fill our hearts with praise.

❖ **Hymn 28:** *Thy mercy, Lord, is in the heavens*

❖ **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: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11 (New Testament, p.170)

❖ Hymn 204: *I am the church! You are the Church!*

❖ Music in worship *Simple Gifts*, arr. Aaron Copland

❖ Lesson: Isaiah 62:1-5 (Old Testament, p.703)

❖ Hymn 608: *Spirit of truth and grace*

❖ Sermon: *The Body of Christ* followed by pause for reflection

Response to God's Word

❖ Hymn 624: *In Christ there is no east or west*

❖ Prayers of Intercession

❖ Offering *Living Water*, Emily Crocker

❖ **Dedication: Hymn 809**, followed by
For every gift that comes from your Spirit
we praise and thank you, God.
Here we offer back to you
all that you have given us:
**Take these our offerings
and use them in your service.
We pray in Jesus' name, Amen.**

❖ Hymn 468: *Son of God, eternal Saviour*

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

Postlude: Prelude in D, J.S. Bach

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

*Our service is led this morning by our minister, Rev Dr Lance Stone.
Scripture reader is Nick Thomas; prayers of intercession are led by Sally
Stone. Consistory members on duty are Laura Elliott and Thorsten König.*

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.
- Please note that we need more volunteers to help with **the creche rota**. Is this something you might be able to help with? Please speak to Pastor Lance or Nancy Owusu Sekyere.
- **Sunday School** and **Junior Church** meet at the Lutheran Church, 4 Handboogstraat, across the Spui. Parents please collect your children after the service.
- **Prayer**: If anyone feels in particular **need of prayer** today, someone (Sarah Wang) will be available after the service in the chancel, behind the communion table, to pray with them.
- **Next Saturday, Jan 26th**: to celebrate Scotland's national poet, Robert Burns, there will be an **evening of poetry and song** at 9, Jan Willem Brouwersstraat, 19.30 hrs, on Saturday January 26th. Traditional 'Burns Supper' dessert will be served. Come along and bring a poem or song, perhaps from your country, or just come anyway. Please let Pastor Lance or Sally Stone know if you are coming or sign up on the notice board.
- Please note that Pastor Lance is planning an '**Exploring the Faith**' course, commencing soon. This might be of interest to anyone considering Church membership, baptism, confirmation, or anyone who would just like a refresher course in the Bible and the Christian faith. Interested? 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.
- 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.

You might like to read these passages in advance of Sunday.

Jan 27th : Nehemiah 8:1-10; Psalm 19; **Luke 4:14-21**; 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a.

Feb 3rd : Jeremiah 1:4-10; Psalm 71:1-6; Luke 4:21-30; **1 Corinthians 13**

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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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