

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

## **Seventh Sunday of Easter**

[Sunday after Ascension Day]

June 2<sup>nd</sup> 2019



**Preparation:** *Silent prayer beside the pulpit, 10.00 – 10.20am*

*Prelude: Pastorale in F, J.S. Bach*

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

The Spirit and the bride say, “Come.”

**And let everyone who hears say, “Come.”**

And let everyone who is thirsty come.

**Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.**

*Revelation 22;17*

❖ **Hymn 129:** *The Lord is King, lift up your voice!*

❖ **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**

❖ **Holy Scripture:**

Acts 16:16-24 (New Testament, p.132)

❖ **Music in worship** *I Leave All Things to God’s Direction*, F. W. Marburg

❖ **Holy Scripture:**

Acts 16: 25-34 (New Testament, p.133)

❖ **Hymn 61** (Psalm 98):

*O sing a new song the Lord*

❖ **Sermon:** *Liberating Lord* followed by pause for reflection

## Response to God's Word

- ❖ Hymn 770: *I love you, Lord and I lift my voice*
- ❖ Prayers of Intercession
- ❖ Offering *Trumpet in Dialogue, Louis Nicolas Clerambault*
- ❖ Dedication
- ❖ Hymn 667 (tune: Picardy) *Now, my tongue, the mystery telling*
- ❖ Confession of faith, Hymn 628: *I believe in God the Father Almighty*
- ❖ The Peace, Invitation and the story of the Last Supper
- ❖ Prayer of Thanksgiving:  
*The Lord be with you      **and also with you***  
*Lift up your hearts      **we lift them up to the Lord***  
*Let us give thanks      **It is right to give***  
*to the Lord our God      **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  
... your body on earth, loving and caring in the world...  
**Behold the lamb of God, behold the lamb of God,  
who takes away the sin, the sin of the world.**
- ❖ Sharing of bread and wine *By Christ Redeemed, John Duro*  
*Note that gluten-free bread will be served on the bread plates and  
alcohol-free wine will be circulated by an elder.*
- ❖ Prayer
- ❖ Hymn 470: *Jesus shall reign where'er the sun*

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

Postlude: *Te Deum Laudamus, Alöys Claussmann*

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

*Worship this morning is conducted by our minister, Rev Dr Lance Stone.  
This is an all-age Communion service. All the baptised and those who  
look to Jesus as Saviour are welcome to partake.*

*Holy Scripture is read by Zahra Thomas and John-Harmen Valk;  
prayers of intercession are led by Ingrid Sorensen.  
Consistory members on duty are Peggy Krol and Ingrid Sørensen.*

# 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 retiring collection as you leave the church, this money goes to **Mulanje Mission Hospital** in Malawi, which our church supports.
- There is a **crèche** for children under four years old, please ask at the door.
- **Sunday School, Junior Church** do not meet today, as this is a family service. Children are welcome to sit with their parents during the service.
- **Prayer:** anyone in particular **need of prayer** today, someone will be available after the service in the chancel, behind the communion table.
- **Cooking at De Kloof!** Our church cooks lunch at this homeless shelter once per month. We need some new volunteers and a new co-ordinator to organise the rota. Interested in helping with this project? **Please note there is a meeting today after the service today [about 12 noon] in the deaconry Room [beside the pulpit] for anyone interested in De Kloof.**
- **Consistory** [elders] meet this Monday evening here at the church at 19.30 hrs. this is an open meeting: all church members are welcome to attend.
- **Midweek Fellowship** this week – Wed 5<sup>th</sup> June, **Bible Study** 19.30 hrs at 9, Jan Willem Brouwersstraat, beginning a series in John's Gospel, looking at chapter 1.
- This Thursday, 13.15hrs: **Short midweek worship with psalm reciting and prayers** for our city and our world. All welcome!
- **Angel Yarnbomb Knit-In** – a Christmas outreach project that involves knitting angels. For more info please ask: Sally Stone: [sallyannstone7@gmail.com](mailto:sallyannstone7@gmail.com), or Gillian Walker: [gillian.walker.ams@icloud.com](mailto:gillian.walker.ams@icloud.com). As of 3 June, KnitIns will be held in the church from 2 to 4 every Monday afternoon, and on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June from 7.30pm to 9.30pm.
- Please note that on Sunday June 30<sup>th</sup> our service will end with a gathering on The Spui with the other churches of The Spui and Singel [Lutherans, Mennonites, Roman Catholic] for **an act of witness:** a hymn and a blessing, followed by refreshments at the Lutheran Church.
- Interested in **work with refugees**? Contact Gillian Walker at [gillian.walker.ams@icloud.com](mailto:gillian.walker.ams@icloud.com).
- Do you own a car and are you available to help with the **Food Run**? We need volunteers to drive for two hours a month, within Amsterdam, either on Sunday afternoons or Tuesday or Thursday mornings. For details contact Joe Alibasah at [joehennes@yahoo.com](mailto:joehennes@yahoo.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](http://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.

June 9<sup>th</sup> : **Acts 2:1-21**; Psalm 104:24-35; John 14:-17; Romans 8:14-17.

June 16<sup>th</sup> : Proverbs 8:1-4,22-31; Psalm 8; **John 16:12-15**; Romans 5:1-5.

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