

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

August 4th 2019

Prelude: Cantilena Angelica de Fortuna, Samuel Scheidt

Call to Worship and Approach to God

O God, you summon the day to dawn;
you teach the morning to waken the earth.
Great is your name, Great is your love.

For you the valleys will sing for joy,
the trees of the field shall clap their hands.
Great is your name, Great is your love.

To you the rulers of earth shall bow,
the poor and forgotten will shout for joy.
Great is your name, Great is your love.

Your love and justice will last for ever,
fresh as the morning, sure as the sunrise.
Great is your name, Great is your love.

❖ **Hymn 64** *Sing all creation*

❖ **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

We explore together the miracle of the healing of the man born blind. Please
follow in the enclosed sheet headed John Ch 9. *Music in Worship will be
included in the reading.*

Music in Worship: "*God is light, and in Him is no darkness at all...*"
- Walt Witman, recalling how Elias Hicks thus quoted Christ.
From *A Quaker Reader*, Ned Rorem

Hymn 352 *O for a thousand tongues, to sing*

Response to God's Word

❖ **Prayers of Intercession**

❖ **Offering** *Lord Christ, God's Only Son, G.Ph. Telemann*

❖ **The Apostles' Creed** *(Words at No. 628)*

❖ **Invitation to the Table**

❖ **Hymn 553** *Just as I am, without one plea*

❖ **The Story of the Supper**

❖ **Prayer:**

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| 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 |

The prayer continues and during it we sing the Sanctus as at No. 651

❖ **The Sharing in Communion** *Cantilena, Josef Rheinberger*

❖ **The Peace** *(We greet each other saying, 'Peace be with you, or other appropriate words)*

❖ **Prayer**

❖ **Hymn 676** *Shout for Joy! The Lord has let us feast*

❖ **Benediction, with sung amen**



*Postlude: Toccata in G, W.H. Pachelbel
Fugue in C, D. Buxtehude*

Please remain in place until the minister and elders have left the Church.

Worship this morning is conducted by the Rev. John Bell.

Our own minister is on holiday.

The Gospel is read by the congregation along with Liz Marsh and Thijs Glasz. Consistory members on duty are Heleen Koning 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 voluntary 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.
- There is no **Sunday School** or **Junior Church** this morning as these have stopped for the Summer and will begin again on September 8th.
- **Prayer:** anyone in particular **need of prayer** today, an elder will be available after the service in the chancel, behind the communion table.
- The **20s&30s** group will be having lunch after the service today, at *Calf&Bloom*.
- No **Midweek Fellowship** until early September.
- **Kerkenpad:** each year we join with other churches from the Spui and Singel for a day out. This year we are going to Hoorn to visit the Golden Age Museum and the Halve Maen replica 17thC ship. Leaflets in the vestibule. All welcome!
- **Angel Yarnbomb Knit-In** – a Christmas outreach project that involves knitting angels. For more info please ask: Sally Stone: *sallyannstone7@gmail.com* ,or Gillian Walker: *gillian.walker.ams@icloud.com*. KnitIns for the month of July are here in the church, 2-4 pm every Monday.
- **Cooking at De Kloof!** Our church cooks lunch at this homeless shelter once per month. Interested in helping? Information at the Welcome Desk.
- Interested in **work with refugees**? Contact Gillian Walker at *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 2 hrs per month, within Amsterdam, on either Sunday afternoons or Tuesday or Thursday mornings. For details, contact Joe Alibasah at *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*.
- This liturgy sheet is available in **large print** in the church vestibule.
- *Please note that Pastor Lance is away on holiday. Revd John Bell of the Iona Community will be living in the manse and conducting worship for these three weeks: July 28th, August 4th an August 11th. Worship on August 18th will be conducted by Rev Dr David McMillan.*

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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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