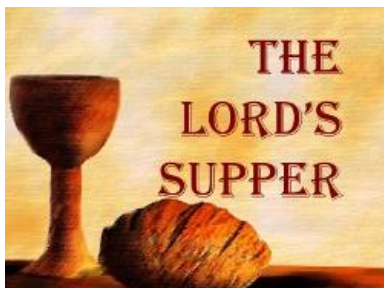


“Within these walls let no-one be a stranger”

October 6th 2019



Preparation: *Silent prayer beside the pulpit, 10.00 – 10.20 am*
Prelude: Prélude Modal, Jean Langlais

Call to Worship and Approach to God

Fill this space with songs of love,
fill this moment with eager hearts,
fill this gathering with strength of spirit,
as we meet with you here.

For you are who we long to know;
and this is how we yearn to live.

God we come as we are now
expectant, waiting, longing,
looking for eternity among us,
God with us.

❖ **Hymn 147** (Omit v.3,4): *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**

❖ **Holy Scripture:**

Psalm 137 (Old Testament, p.588)

❖ **Music in worship:**

Come Unto Him, G.F. Handel
Persephone Abbott, soprano

❖ **Holy Scripture:**

2 Timothy 1:8-14 (New Testament, p.209)

- ❖ **Hymn 94** (Psalm 137): *By the Babylonian rivers*
- ❖ **Sermon:** *Beyond hate: hope in exile* followed by pause for reflection

Response to God's Word

- ❖ **Hymn 782:** *Lord of life, we come to you*
- ❖ **Prayers of Intercession**
- ❖ **Offering:** *I Stand at the Threshold, J.S. Bach*
- ❖ **Dedication**
- ❖ **Hymn 659:** *Put peace into each other's hands*
- ❖ **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...*
- ❖ **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**
Hear, Israel, the Lord's Voice, F. Mendelssohn
Note that gluten-free bread will be served on the bread plates and
alcohol-free wine will be circulated by an elder.
- ❖ **Prayer**
- ❖ **Hymn 681:** *Send out the gospel! Let it sound*

Sending out with blessing (followed by sung Amen)

Postlude: *Prelude and Fugue in F, J.S. Bach*

Please switch off your mobile phones, and please remain in place until the elders and minister have left the Church.

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 of Communion. Holy Scripture is read by Greta Dalma Prins-Medgyesi; prayers of intercession are led by Judi Haynes-Smart. Consistory members on duty are Mattia Falcone and Jaap Maas.

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 this is an all-age celebration of Holy Communion.
- **Prayer:** anyone in particular **need of prayer** today, someone (Je Corro) will be available after the service in the chancel (behind the communion table).

This week's activities:

- **Monday, 14.00-16.00 hrs** here at the church: **Angel Yarnbomb Knit-In** – a Christmas outreach project. For more info please ask: Sally Stone: sallyannstone7@gmail.com , Gillian Walker, gillian.walker.ams@icloud.com.
- **Tuesday, 8.45 hrs** here at the church: **Psalms and Prayers** (30 mins approx.). You are welcome to come for all or part, perhaps before work.
- **Wednesday, 19.30 hrs** here at the church: joint **Taizé service** with the Roman Catholic Begijnhofkapel across the yard.

Other:

- Pastor Lance is planning a **Walk Through The Bible** series: a 4 week course outlining the story the Bible tells and our place in it. For anyone interested in baptism, confirmation, Church membership or just a refresher course in the Christian faith. Interested? Speak to Pastor Lance.
- **Cooking at De Kloof!** Our church cooks lunch at this homeless shelter once per month. Interested in helping? Information at the Welcome Desk..
- If you own a car, could you help with the **Food Run?** We need volunteers to drive 2 hrs per month, within Amsterdam, on Sunday, Tuesday or Thursday mornings. Help particularly needed for Oct 17th, 31st, Nov 14th, 28th (car available for those dates if you have a driving licence) 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 vestibule.

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.

Oct 13th: Jeremiah 29:4-7; Psalm 66:1-12; **Luke 17:11-19**; 2 Timothy 2:8-15

Oct 20th: **Genesis 32:22-31**; Psalm 121; Luke 18:1-8; 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

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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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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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