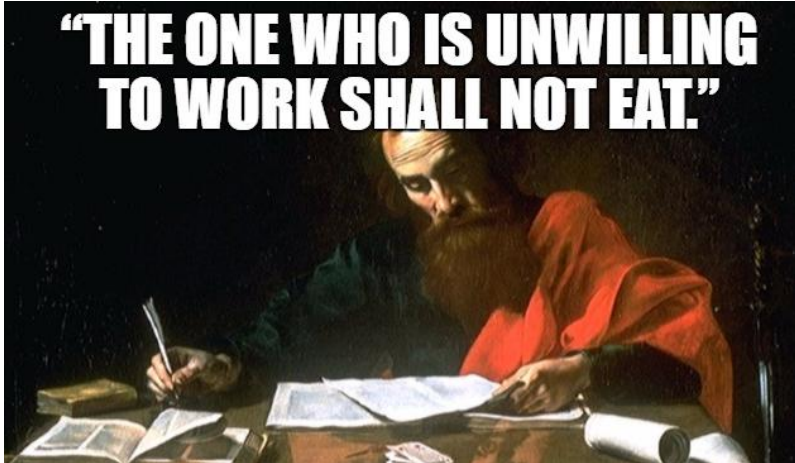


“Within these walls let no-one be a stranger”

November 17th 2019



Preparation: *Silent prayer, 10.00am, 20 mins, front right of church*
Prelude: Andantino, César Franck

Call to Worship and Approach to God

O sing to the LORD a new song,
for he has done marvellous things.
His right hand and his holy arm
have gotten him victory.

²The LORD has made known his victory;
he has revealed his vindication
in the sight of the nations.

Psalm 98:1-2

❖ **Hymn 153:** *Great is thy faithfulness*

❖ **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

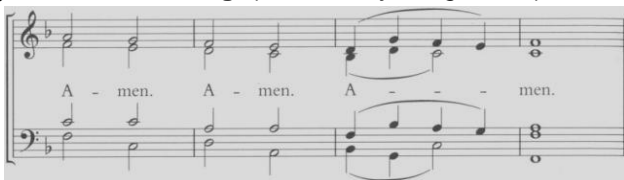
❖ Children's address

- ❖ **Holy Scripture:** 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13 (New Testament p.204)
- ❖ **Hymn 524:** *Jesus Christ, our living Lord*
- ❖ **Music in worship:** *Prelude op. 11, no.5, Alexander Scriabin*
- ❖ **Lesson:** Isaiah 65:17-25 (Old Testament, p.706)
- ❖ **Hymn 61 (Psalm 98):** *Oh, sing a new song to the Lord*
- ❖ **Sermon:** *Followed by pause for reflection*

Response to God's Word

- ❖ **Hymn 529:** *Forth in thy name, O Lord, I go*
- ❖ **Prayers of Intercession**
- ❖ **Offering:** *Alone to God in the Highest Be Glory, J.S. Bach*
- ❖ **Dedication: Hymn 809** followed by:
Gracious God,
we give thanks for the gifts,
energies, talents and abilities that you give us.
**Use them we pray
in the service of your kingdom
and to the glory of your name throughout the world. Amen.**
- ❖ **Hymn 497:** *Almighty Father of all things that be*

Sending out with blessing (followed by sung Amen)



Postlude: Voluntary in B-flat, Maurice Greene

*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, Revd Dr Lance Stone.
Scripture reader is Luran Bethell; prayers of intercession are led by
Sally Stone.*

Consistory members on duty are Judi Haynes-Smart & Jaap Maas.

A very warm WELCOME to all!

Please join us for **refreshments** after the service.

If you regularly remain for coffee you might consider bringing your own coffee cup with you to cut down on waste. Please take it home with you and wash it there.

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 have **an urgent need for more helpers to join the Crèche rota**. Please give this consideration so that our small children can be an important part of our church each Sunday. Details at the Welcome Desk.
- **Sunday School, Junior Church** meet at 4 Handboogstraat, across the Spui. Parents please collect your children after the service.
- **Prayer:** anyone in particular **need of prayer** today, Margaret Richards will be available after the service in the chancel (behind the communion table).

This week's activities:

- **This afternoon, 15.15 hrs: pre-Advent concert** featuring **our choir** and the Purcell Choir Orchestra. Details at the back of the church.
- **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: Bible Study** at 9, Jan Willem Brouwersstraat, 1071LH. We begin a new series: 'Sabbath as resistance'.
- **Saturday, 19.30 pm, Quiz Night** at the church in aid of the Mulanje Mission Hospital, Malawi. Come and join a team! Everybody welcome!

Other:

- **Cooking at De Kloof!** Our church cooks lunch at this homeless shelter once per month. Interested in helping? Information at the Welcome Desk..)
- Car-owners: could you help with the **Food Run?** Volunteers needed to drive 2 hrs per month, within Amsterdam, on either Sunday afternoons, Tuesday or Thursday mornings. Details from 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.

Next Week's readings:

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.

Nov 17th: Isaiah 65:17-25; Psalm 98; Luke 21:5-19; **2 Thessalonians 3:6-13**

Nov 24th: Jeremiah 23:1-6; Psalm 46; Luke 23:33-43; Colossians 1:11-20

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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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