

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

February 2nd 2020



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

Prelude: Variations on a bass by Corelli, J.G. Walther

Call to Worship and Approach to God

From the rising of the sun
till its setting in the West,
God’s holy name be praised.

In the visions of the old
and the dreaming of the young,
God’s holy name be praised.

On the lips of children,
by babies at the breast,
God’s holy name be praised.

In the banquet hall of heaven
and in earth’s gifts of bread and wine,
Let everything that has breath praise God.

❖ **Hymn 202:** *Stand up and bless the Lord*

❖ **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:** 1 Corinthians 1:18-31 (New Testament, p.162)

❖ **Music in worship:** *If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee*, J.S. Bach

❖ **Holy Scripture:** Matthew 5:1-12 (New Testament, p.4)

❖ **Hymn 405:** *We sing the praise of him who died*

❖ **Sermon:** Cross-eyed *followed by pause for reflection*

Response to God's Word

❖ Hymn 759: *Come to me, come to me, weak and heavy laden*

❖ Prayers of Intercession

❖ Offering* *Tiento de Falses de Sisé To, Pau Bruna*

❖ Dedication

❖ Hymn 668: *According to thy gracious word*

❖ 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 *Have Mercy, O Lord, J.S. Bach*

*Note that gluten-free bread will be served on the bread plates
and alcohol-free wine will be circulated by an elder.*

❖ Prayer

❖ Hymn 397: *In the cross of Christ I glory*

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

Postlude: *Prelude in D, J.S. Bach*

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

*** Please note that there is a card donation point at the exit of the church.**

*Worship this morning is conducted by our minister, Rev Dr Lance Stone.
This is an **all-age Communion service**. All the baptised, whatever age,
and all who look to Jesus as Saviour are welcome to take Communion.
Holy Scripture is read by Elisabeth IJmker ; prayers of intercession are
led by Peggy Krol. Consistory members on duty are Heleen Koning,
Sies Plokker & Ingrid Sørensen.*

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 to wash it.

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.
- **Sunday School, Junior Church** meet at 4 Handboogstraat, across the Spui. Parents please collect your children after the service.
- **Prayer:** anyone in **need of prayer** today, Je Corro will be available after the service in the chancel (behind the communion table).

Week's activities:

- **Monday, 19.30 hrs: Consistory** (church elders) meets here at the church. This is an open meeting which any member is welcome to attend.
- **Tuesday, 10.30 am: Coffee morning** at 9, Jan Willem Brouwersstraat,
- **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.
- **Midweek Fellowship:** Wednesday, 19.30 hrs, **Bible Study** at 9, Jan Willem Brouwersstraat, Beginning a series on 15 key Bible texts. All welcome!

Other:

KEEP THE DATE:

Friday March 20th, 19.30 hrs, **Concert** in Aid of the **Mulanje Mission Hospital, Malawi**, featuring Velvet Joe and The Bluegrass Diamonds. Tickets on sale very soon (suggested donation €25). A splendid evening guaranteed, for an important cause!

- **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, 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. The passage we will focus upon is in **bold** type.

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

Feb 9th: Isaiah 58:3-12; Psalm 112:1-10; Matthew 5:13-20; **1 Corinthians 2:1-16**

Feb 16th: Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Psalm 119:1-8; Matthew 5:21-37; **1 Corinthians 3:1-9**

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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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- Church Membership Baptisms Concerts Sunday School or Crèche
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Hospital (www.mmh.mw) Volunteering

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Name:

Address & Postcode

Telephone.....

Email.....



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