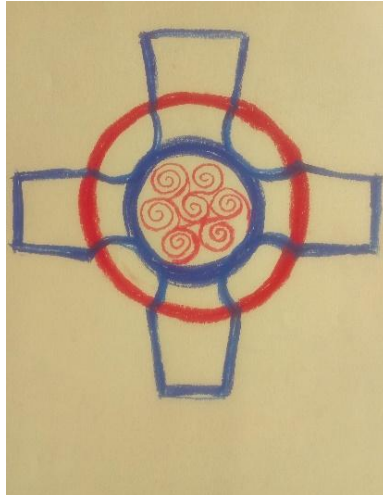


“Within these walls let no-one be a stranger”

February 9th 2020



Morag MacDougall

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

Prelude: Andante, Alexandre Guilmant

Call to Worship and Approach to God

Praise the LORD!

Happy are those who fear the LORD,
who greatly delight in his commandments.

**Their descendants will be mighty in the land;
the generation of the upright will be blessed.**

Psalm 112:1-2

❖ **Hymn 100:** *O Lord, thou art my God and King*

❖ **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 2:1-12 (New Testament, p.163)

❖ **Hymn 692:** *Jesus puts this song into our hearts*

❖ **Music in worship:** *In Thee, O Lord, F.J. Haydn*

❖ **Holy Scripture:** Matthew 5:13-20 (New Testament, p.4)

❖ **Hymn 640:** *Holy Spirit, come, confirm us*

❖ **Sermon: *the rulers of this age*** *Followed by pause for reflection*

Response to God's Word

❖ **Hymn 252:** *As a fire is meant for burning*

❖ **Prayers of Intercession**

❖ **Offering* *I Couldn't Hear Nobody Pray***, Spiritual, arr. L'Roy Hicks
Soloists: Andy Baker, Makachia Ong'ong'a

❖ **Hymn 807, followed by Prayer of dedication**

Loving God,
for all your good gifts to us
we give you thanks and praise:
**accept these our offerings
and take us and make us
salt for the earth and light for the world. Amen.**

❖ **Hymn 500:** *Lord of creation, to you be all praise!*

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

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

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

*Please remain in place until the minister has left the Church.
Please remember to turn off your mobile phones.*

*Our service is led this morning by our minister, Rev Dr Lance Stone.
Scripture reader is Ingrid Sorensen; prayers of intercession are led by
Thorsten König.
Consistory members on duty are Laura Elliott, Judi Haynes-Smart and
Charles Vanderpuye.*

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.
- **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, someone (Gréta Prins-Medgyesi) will be available after the service in the chancel (behind the communion table).

Week's activities:

- **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, joint **Taize service** with our neighbours from the Begijnhofkapel, here at our church. All welcome!
- **Saturday, Feb 15th:** **Dog Walk**, Zandvoort en Zee: for dog-owners AND non-owners who fancy a walk on the beach. Meet: Central Station (Platform 1) for 11.28 train to Zandvoort. Questions? Speak to pastor Lance or Sally Stone.

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.

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 16th: Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Psalm 119:1-8; Matthew 5:21-37; **1 Corinthians 3:1-9**
Feb 23rd: Exodus 24:12-18; Psalm 2; **Matthew 17:1-9**; 2 Peter 1:16-21

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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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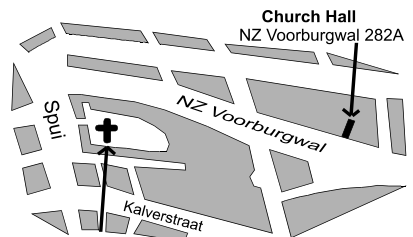
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