

# HOOGLANDSE KERK



## CHORAL EVENSONG

13 September 2026

*Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity*

1700

# LEIDSE CANTORIJ

*is conducted by*

**HANS BRONS**

The 'Father' Willis organ (1891)

*is played by*

**WILLEKE SMITS**



**REVD. MARGREET KLOKKE**

*Preacher*



## **Welcome to this historic church in the heart of Leiden.**

A place of Christian worship has stood on this site since 1315. Here, we seek to offer beauty - through architecture and music - to God, the source of all that is good and beautiful.

Our tradition of evensong is rooted in the daily services of the medieval church and has been shaped by the Book of Common Prayer of the Anglican Church since the 16th century. Much of the liturgy is sung by the choir on our behalf, inviting us to participate through quiet reflection and prayer.

You are warmly encouraged to join in the hymns and the spoken parts of the service. As words and music intertwine, they enrich both heart and mind, drawing us closer to the divine presence.

*Bijzonder Kerkenwerk Leiden, Wijkgemeente Hooglandse Kerk*

**Photography, filming, and sound recording are not allowed during services. Please ensure that mobile telephones and other electronic devices are silent.**

**This service will be live-streamed.**

## ORGAN PRELUDE

*Chorale Prelude on a theme by Tallis, Opus 20, nr. 3 – Harold Darke (1888-1976)*

**Please observe silence during the organ prelude as it is a time of preparation for worship.**

### INTROIT

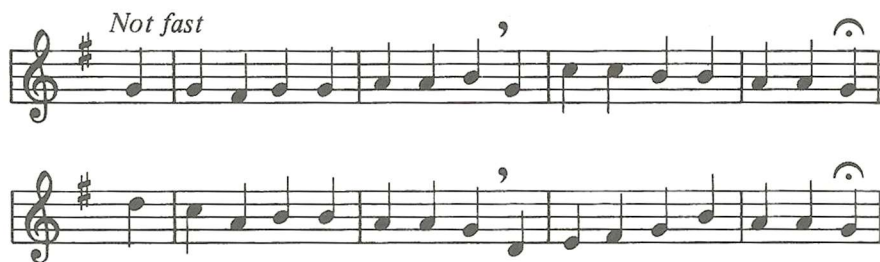
O Lord, give thy Holy Spirit into our hearts, and lighten our understanding, that we may dwell in the fear of thy name all the days of our life; that we may know thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent.

*Music: Thomas Tallis (1505-1585), words: Lidley's Prayers (1566)*

**All stand as the choir and clergy enter.**

### PROCESSIONAL HYMN – NEH 244 (Tallis's Canon)

*Choir: verse 1*



1. Glory to thee, my God, this night  
for all the blessings of the light;  
keep me, O keep me, King of kings,  
beneath thy own almighty wings.

2. Forgive me, Lord, for thy dear Son,  
the ill that I this day have done,  
that with the world, myself, and thee,  
I, ere I sleep, at peace may be.

3. Teach me to live, that I may dread  
the grave as little as my bed;  
teach me to die, that so I may  
rise glorious at the awful day.

4. O may my soul on thee repose,  
and with sweet sleep my eyelids close,  
sleep that may me more vigorous make  
to serve my God when I awake.

5. When in the night I sleepless lie,  
my soul with heavenly thoughts supply;  
let no ill dreams disturb my rest,  
no powers of darkness me molest.

6. Praise God from whom all blessings  
flow,  
praise him, all creatures here below,  
praise him above, angelic host,  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

*Music: Thomas Tallis, words: Thomas Ken (1637-1711)*

## WELCOME

### THE PRECES

O Lord, open thou our lips.

*And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.*

O God, make speed to save us.

*O Lord, make haste to help us.*

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;

*As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

Praise ye the Lord.

*The Lord's name be praised.*

*Bernard Rose (1916-1996)*

**All sit.**

### PSALM 84

*Quam dilecta!*

O how amiable are thy dwellings : thou Lord of hosts!

My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord : my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house, and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young : even thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

Blessed are they that dwell in thy house : they will be alway praising thee.

Blessed is the man whose strength is in thee : in whose heart are thy ways.

Who going through the vale of misery use it for a well : and the pools are filled with water. They will go from strength to strength : and unto the God of gods appeareth every one of them in Sion.

O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer : hearken, O God of Jacob.

Behold, O God our defender : and look upon the face of thine Anointed.

For one day in thy courts : is better than a thousand.

I had rather be a door-keeper in the house of my God : than to dwell in the tents of ungodliness.

For the Lord God is a light and defence : the Lord will give grace and worship, and no good thing shall he withhold from them that live a godly life.

O Lord God of hosts : blessed is the man that putteth his trust in thee.

**All stand.**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost : as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

*Chant by Charles Hubert Parry (1848-1918)*

**All sit.**

## THE FIRST LESSON

*Genesis 28: 10 - 19*

## MAGNIFICAT

My soul doth magnify the Lord and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.

For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden. For behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed. For he that is mighty hath magnified me. And holy is his Name. And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations. He hath shewed strength with his arm. He hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. He hath put down the mighty from their seat and hath exalted the humble and meek. He hath filled the hungry with good things. And the rich he hath sent empty away. He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel. As he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed for ever.

**All stand.**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

*Evening Canticles in B minor*

*Hugh Blair (1864-1932)*

**All sit.**

## THE SECOND LESSON

*Romeinen 8: 5 - 9 a*

## NUNC DIMITTIS

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace according to thy word. For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people; To be a light to lighten the gentiles and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

**All stand.**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

*Evening Canticles in B minor*

*Hugh Blair*

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

*Preacher:* Now let us confess our faith.

*All say:* **I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

HYMN – NEH 353 (Repton)



1. Dear Lord and Father of mankind,  
forgive our foolish ways!  
Reclothe us in our rightful mind;  
in purer lives Thy service find,  
in deeper rev'rence, praise.

2. In simple trust like theirs who heard,  
beside the Syrian sea,  
the gracious calling of the Lord,  
let us, like them, without a word  
Rise up and follow Thee.

3. O Sabbath rest by Galilee!  
O calm of hills above,  
where Jesus knelt to share with Thee  
the silence of eternity,  
interpreted by love!

4. Drop Thy still dews of quietness,  
till all our strivings cease;  
take from our souls the strain and stress,  
and let our ordered lives confess  
the beauty of Thy peace.

5. Breathe through the heats of our desire  
Thy coolness and Thy balm;  
let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;  
speak through the earthquake, wind and fire,  
O still small voice of calm!

*Music: C. Hubert H. Parry, words: John Whittier (1807-1892)*

**All sit.**

## THE SERMON

### THE LESSER LITANY, 'THE LORDS' PRAYER, AND THE RESPONSES

The Lord be with you.

*And with thy spirit.*

Let us pray.

*Lord, have mercy upon us.*

*Christ, have mercy upon us.*

*Lord, have mercy upon us.*

*Our Father, who 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.*

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.

*And grant us thy salvation.*

O Lord, save the King.

*And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.*

Endue thy ministers with righteousness.

*And make thy chosen people joyful.*

O Lord, save thy people.

*And bless thine inheritance.*

Give peace in our time, O Lord.

*Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.*

O God, make clean our hearts within us.

*And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.*

#### COLLECT OF THE DAY

Keep, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy Church with thy perpetual mercy: and, because the frailty of man without thee cannot but fall, keep us ever by thy help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

#### COLLECT FOR PEACE

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed; give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that both our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee, we being defended from the fear of our enemies, may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. *Amen.*

#### COLLECT FOR AID AGAINST ALL PERILS

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

*Bernard Rose*

## ANTHEM

Lo! God is here! let us adore  
*O how amiable are thy dwellings: Thou Lord of hosts!*  
And own how dreadful is this place!  
*My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord:*  
*my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.*  
Let all within us feel his power,  
And silent bow before his face.  
*Blessed are they that dwell in thy house: they will be always praising thee.*  
Who know his power, his grace, who prove,  
Serve him with awe his rev'rence love.

Lo! God is here! Him day and night  
The united choirs of Angels sing;  
To him, enthron'd above all height,  
Heav'n's hosts their noblest praises bring;  
Disdain not, Lord, our meaner song,  
Who praise thee with a stammering tongue.

Being of all beings may our praise  
Thy courts with grateful fragrance fill.  
*O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer: hearken, O God of Jacob*  
Still may we stand before thy face,  
Still hear and do thy sovereign will.  
*Behold, O God our defender: and look upon the face of thine Anointed.*  
To thee may all our thoughts arise  
Ceaseless, accepted Sacrifice.  
*O how amiable are thy dwellings: Thou Lord of hosts.*

*Music: Philip Moore (b. 1943), words: Gerhard Tersteegen (1697-1769) and Psalm 84: 1, 2, 4, 8, 9.*

## SAID PRAYERS

All stand.

HYMN – CP 585 (Aurelia)

*Choir: verse 2*



1. The church's one foundation  
is Jesus Christ her Lord;  
she is his new creation  
by water and the word:  
from heaven he came and sought her  
to be his holy Bride;  
with his own blood he bought her,  
and for her life he died.

2. Elect from every nation,  
yet one o'er all the earth,  
her charter of salvation  
one Lord, one faith, one birth;  
one holy name she blesses,  
partakes one holy food,  
and to one hope she presses  
with every grace endued.

4. 'Mid toil and tribulation,  
and tumult of her war,  
she waits the consummation  
of peace for evermore;  
till with the vision glorious  
her longing eyes are blest,  
and the great church victorious  
shall be the church at rest.

5. Yet she on earth hath union  
with God the Three in One,  
and mystic sweet communion  
with those whose rest is won:  
O happy ones and holy!  
Lord, give us grace that we,  
like them, the meek and lowly,  
on high may dwell with thee.

*Music: S.S. Wesley, (1810-1876), words: S.J. Stone (1839-1900)*

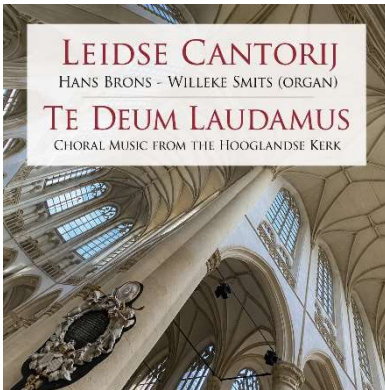
## THE BLESSING

**Al sit.**

### ORGAN VOLUNTARY

*Paeon – Philip Moore*

### CD PRESENTATION



Following the concluding organ voluntary, the choir's new CD will be officially presented. We warmly invite you to remain seated for a few more minutes and to share this special occasion with us.

The new CD will be available for purchase after the Evensong for just € 15.

### CHOIR RECESSION

**Please stand as the choir and clergy depart.**

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