

The Scots International Church Rotterdam



**Schiedamsevest 121,
Rotterdam
Services every Sunday at 10.30 am**

Sunday 20th January 2013

THE GATHERING

Call to worship

Introit: Psalm 1 (tune: Ashgrove) – the Choir

Welcome and prayer

Praise: O Lord, my God (506)

Children's message

Praise: Don't complain

THE WORD

Prayer of confession

Bible reading: **Genesis 39: 1 – 23** (p. 43)

Praise: Yield not to temptation

Sermon: **"Testify in the work-place"**

THE THANKSGIVING

Praise: I am weak but thou art strong (263)

Offering and dedication

Welcome of new members

Prayers for others

THE SENDING

Anthem: My hope is built on nothing less – Choir

Announcements

Praise: Stand up, stand up for Jesus (617)

Benediction & 'three-fold' Amen

Call to Worship *(based on Psalm 31)*

Be for me a rock, O Lord,
a rock on which to build.
Be for me a rock, O Lord,
a rock where I may hide.
Be for me a rock, O Lord,
to keep my feet quite dry.
Be for me a rock, O Lord,
to save me from the storm.
Blessed are you, O Lord,
our rock and our salvation.

Thought for the week

Joseph could be trusted at his work. Compare his example with: "We can't stand around here doing nothing. People will think we're working!"
(Spike Milligan in 'The Goon Show')

The Service today

Preacher: Rev. Robert Calvert
Elder: Fred Booman
Organist: Jan Hendrik van der Kamp
Choir: Anneke Pot
Children's message: Virginia Hendriks
Bible reading: Emma de Zanger
Welcome: Harmen Rebel & Frank Knoester
Bookstall: George & Wil Ross
Crèche: Chante Flemming & Fayola Cairo
Counting: Janine Kooy & Herman Schonewille
Door: Ato Cromwell
Beamer: Jan Dirk Schouten
Recording: Brenden van der Velden
Hospitality: George Tettey
Flowers: Family Chapman

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WHAT'S ON

Today

12.00 Soup lunch

Tuesday:

19:45 Consistory meeting (Cultural house)

Wednesday:

11:00 Mamre (Lower Hall)

Thursday

11:30 Voedsel Bank (Lower Hall)

19.30 Emmaus discipleship:
"Reading the bible" (Lower Hall)

Friday

17.00 (from) Cultural evening – see below

Sunday

10.30 Worship, Joyful Singers

Birthdays

Today we give our warm congratulations to Zoë Calvert (Wednesday), Cor Vermeulen & Alan Paton (Saturday) on their birthdays this week.

Welcome Team meeting

Immediately after the service the Welcome Team will have a short meeting (in the Cultural House next door to the church entrance). Anybody else who is interested to join us is also welcome. For info, see Pam & Stephen Russell.

Soup Lunch & new members

Today soup will be kindly provided by Daniel and Anca de Jong, Joke Cromwell & Carol de Groot.
In the service we introduce some new church members & you can meet them during the lunch.

Herald January-February 2013

The New Year "Herald" newsletter is available from the bookstall for one euro or for free from the church website: www.scotsintchurch.com

Alpha course

This course introduces the Christian faith over a meal on Thursdays. Sign up now for next month!

Mission Offering for Mercy Ships

An offering was taken up for Mercy Ships after the Communion service in January. If you were not here but still want to give to Ben and Hannah, it is still possible to put it in a marked envelope "Mercy Ships" in the offering plate. Ben and Hannah Calvert rejoined the 'Africa Mercy' where Ben is principal of the ship's Academy and Hannah serves as a nurse. They were in Rotterdam over Christmas and spoke about the emergency medical work in Guinea.

Congratulations!

A daughter, Evie, was born to Cathryn and Carl Schultz (and a brother for Zachary) on 30 December. Many congratulations to you all.

Stewardship

The "Stewardship" cards sent out at Christmas are available in the church entrance. Please prayerfully fill them up and place them in the offering plate or prayer box on the front table. Only one card was sent per household but you may take as many as you wish for your family.

Prayer co-ordinator

We seek help in co-ordinating prayer requests. This would be ideal for someone who has a passion for prayer, access to e-mail and has been in the congregation for a few years.

Prayer Network

If you would like to be a part of an e-mail prayer network, please send an e-mail message to scotsintchurch@cs.com or leave a note in the prayer box in the church entrance.

After-work Cultural evening

On Friday 25 January you are invited to an after-work Dinner Show in the Church hall. Doors open from 16.30, welcome at 17.30 and dinner is at 18.00. There are two sets involving musicians, poets, storytellers, singers and others. The last set finishes at 21.00.

Weekly Offering Envelopes

New offering envelopes are available from the treasurer Jim Taylor. They are dated for each Sunday in 2013 and for anyone who would like to give a regular amount every week. Anyone paying income tax is entitled to claim back for monies donated to the church & a receipt is prepared by the treasurer for this purpose.

Migrant church tour

On Sunday 10th February some students from Tyndale Seminary will undertake a tour of eight migrant churches in Rotterdam from the Russian Orthodox church at 9.45 to the Urdu Protestant Church at 17.30. If you are interested to join the group, please speak to Robert Calvert.

Joseph

Last week we began a series of bible readings and sermons on the life of Joseph in the book of Genesis. Many will know the musical made about his coat of many colours. Joseph is important over how he overcame his character defects, put God central, rose to a responsible position in public life and forgave his family.

Beginner's English Lessons

If you are interested in starting some beginner's English lessons speak to Pam Russell as soon as possible. Telephone: 010 5914959.