

The Scots International Church Rotterdam



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

Sunday 7th September 2014

THE GATHERING

Call to worship

Introit: Choir

Welcome & prayer

Praise: Tell out my soul (631)

Children's message

Praise: When we pray (SSS 2014 No. 102)



THE WORD

Prayer of confession

Bible reading: **Romans 13:8-14;**
Matthew 18:15-20

Praise: A new commandment (1)

Sermon: **"Relationships"**



THE THANKSGIVING

Praise: Brother, sister, let me serve you (CH4 694)

Offering and dedication

Praise: We come as guests invited (723)

Sacrament of Communion

Prayers for others



THE SENDING

Anthem: Choir

Announcements

Praise: For the beauty of the earth (152)

Benediction and '3-fold' Amen





Call to Worship (based on Psalm 149)

Sing a new song to God.
Sing of light and hope.

Praise with dancing and joy.
Praise with lives of love.

Rejoice with strings and drums.
Rejoice with justice and peace.

Thought for the day



The beginning of love is to let those we love be perfectly themselves, and not to twist them to fit our own image. Otherwise we love only the reflection of ourselves we find in them.

Thomas Merton, American author 1915 - 1968

The Service today

Preacher: Rev. Dave Robinson
Elder: Peace Acquah
Worship Leader: Bob Hensen
Children's message: Rev. Dave Robinson
Organist: Jan Hendrik vd Kamp
Bible reading: Frans van der Meer
Welcome: Raneë Damanik, Irene van Ginkel
Crèche: Licia Knoester, Veronica Kind
Counting: Evelyn Koomson, Ediri Sobotie
Door: James Essel
Beamer: Andre van der Velden
Recording: Brendan van der Velden
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WHAT'S ON

Monday

19:15 Tyndale course

Tuesday

19:30 Pastoral Care Course "Good Shepherds"

Wednesday

10.30 Mamre

Thursday

11:30 Voedsel Bank (Lower Hall)

Friday

13:00 Book Group

Sunday

10.30 Worship Service

Birthdays

This week, we give our warm congratulations to Michelle Baffuo Essel, Liz van der Velden (Monday) and Joost Pot (Jr.) (Saturday) on their birthdays.

Dutch and English lessons

Dutch for beginners and three levels of English classes will restart in September. Talk to or ask for Harry Jonckheere and Pam Russell.

Pastoral Care Course “Good Shepherds”

Our new Locum, Rev. Dave Robinson, is offering a three-part course on Pastoral Care on Tuesday evenings: September 9, 16, 23 from 19.30 to 21.00. Sessions will include theory and practical exercises. Whether you're on the welcome team, an elder, a parent, a friend - whatever your role in church or in civil society - pastoral skills are a valuable asset. Feel free to join one or more of the sessions. Indicate your interest at editor-herald@live.com.

Lockers

In the corridor to the manse (Church house) there are new lockers for storing personal items when working in the kitchen or attending an event.

Bible Reading

If you would like to do the bible reading at a Sunday service, please write your name down on the notice board. We will contact you.

Prayer Requests and Pastoral Care

Prayer requests can be put in the prayer box on Sundays (please write clearly and you may add a telephone number or name for clarification) Prayers can also be sent via the Prayer Co-ordinator Wilma Paton at pray.sicr@gmail.com For pastoral care or a visit by an Elder or a Minister, contact your Elder or the Church Office.

Open Monuments Day (OMD) tour and Witte de With (WdW) festival 13 & 14 September

Open Monuments Day (OMD) celebrates all designated Dutch National Monuments, such as the Wallonian Church near us. The OMD Tour takes visitors from the Wallonian Church to the Russian Orthodox Church and back to us, the SICR. We need volunteers to guide people around the church, direct them to a slide show and offer light refreshments. The Garden Wall

Mosaic fits in the 'Art in the Street' theme of the WdW and will also need additional volunteers.

Looking for accommodation

One of our organists Magdalena Jones is looking for accommodation.

See the notice board for further information.

Book Group

The Book Group will gather Friday 12th September at 13:00 hrs. The book, available in Dutch and English is The Assault (De Aanslag) by Harry Mullisch. All are welcome to share lunch with Norma.

Induction of Reverend Dr Lance Stone

The English Reformed Church, Amsterdam invites members of this church to attend the induction service of Reverend Dr Lance Stone on Saturday, 27th September at 14:00 hrs. The church is located at: Begijnhof 48, 1012 WV Amsterdam.

Interim Moderator

During the vacancy Rev. James (Jimmy) Brown minister of the English-speaking Christian Congregation (ECC) Bochum, Germany is our Interim Moderator. He can be reached at: j.brown56@gmx.de

Looking ahead ..

Our second locum, Rev. Dave Robinson and his wife Lucie arrived from Perth, Australia and will be here until 5th October. Dave will conduct the Holy Communion & Worship Service today.

When Dave and Lucie leave, Joost and Jimmy will each lead a service before our third locum Rev. Derek Lawson, his wife

Moira and their (well behaved dog) will arrive from Paris, France.



Songs for Beamer:

When We Pray

When we pray,
when we worship,
when we love,
when we serve,
Your Spirit, Lord Jesus, is at work in Your church, helping us
follow in Your footsteps, making us more like You.

Servant Song (CH4, 694)

Brother, sister, let me serve you,
let me be as Christ to you;
pray that I may have the grace to
let you be my servant too.

We are pilgrims on a journey,
and companions on the road;
we are here to help each other
walk the mile and bear the load.

I will hold the Christ-light for you
in the night time of your fear;
I will hold my hand out to you,
speak the peace you long to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping;
when you laugh I'll laugh with you;
I will share your joy and sorrow

till we've seen this journey through.

When we sing to God in heaven
we shall find such harmony,
Born of all we've known together
of Christ's love and agony.

Brother, sister, let me serve you,
let me be as Christ to you;
pray that I may have the grace to
let you be my servant too.