



Welcome to the

**Scots International
Church Rotterdam**

a congregation of the
Church of Scotland International Presbytery

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Thought for the Week

"A Church without social ethics rooted in the moral vision of the Scripture with its emphasis on justice, mercy, and humility before God is in no condition to avoid irrelevance in relation to the great problems that affect humankind. At best it will concentrate on empty ritualism and private morality, but will remain indifferent to the plight of the poor and the rape of God's creation. At worst it will fail to recognise its own captivity to the culture-ideology of consumerism and will be used by the powerful to provide religious legitimisation of their unjust socio-economic and political system and even to war."

Rene Padilla

From 'The Biblical Basis for Social Ethics'

**Order of Service
for Sunday 19 February 2017
The 7th Sunday after Epiphany**

*Call to Worship (congregational parts are **in bold**)*

As we come to worship,
may we echo the words of the Psalmist:
**"Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes,
and I will observe it to the end.
Give me understanding that I may keep your law
and observe it with my whole heart.
Lead me in the path of your commandments,
for I delight in it."**

And may we look to the life of Jesus,
the one who came to fulfil the law,
that we might see how we are to live out the law,
and so follow in his way.

Introit (Choir): **"Across the lands"** (Getty/Townsend)

Welcome

Prayer of Approach

Praise: The Church is wherever God's people are praising
(CH4 522)

*Prayer of Confession – Elder –
concluding with The Lord's Prayer*

Children's Message

Praise: Talk to God (82 SSS 2014)

Blessing on the Children

Reading: 1 Corinthians 3: 10-11, 16-23 (p. 1146)

Reflection: "We are the Temple of the living God"

Praise: The Church's one foundation (MP 640)

Reading: *Matthew 5: 38 - 48* (p.970)

Reflection: "Cartoons to turn the world upside-down"

Praise: Amazing grace (MP 31)

Offering

Prayer of Dedication

Anthem (Choir): **My hope is built on nothing less** (MP 473)

Church News

Prayers for Others

Praise: My life flows on in endless song (CH4 565)

Benediction and three-fold Amen



TONIGHT at 7.30pm

Come along to the first of our Services for Wholeness and Healing - both for individuals and for God's creation.

Are you in need of prayer or pastoral care?

Or do you know someone who is? Please put your requests in the prayer box on Sundays. Prayers can also be sent via the Prayer Coordinator, Irene Jardine, at pray.sicr@gmail.com For pastoral care or a visit by an Elder or Minister, contact your Elder, the Church Office or the Minister.

Birthdays

This week we congratulate Elisabeth Ashu, Carol de Groot, Dieudonné Gwanmesia and Jan Willem Hoek on their birthdays. *Would you like your birthday mentioned? Inform the Office Team!*

What's on the agenda?

Tuesday 21Feb Consistory at 7.45 pm
Sunday 26 Feb Bible Study at 9.00 pm
Sunday 26 Feb Worship at 10.30 am

followed by the Congregational AGM

Who's who Today

Minister: Rev. Derek Lawson
Elder: Ato Cromwell
Children's message: Ato Bob
Organist: Joseph Hoang Nguyen
Choir: Anneke Pot
Bible Reader: Bob Hensen
Welcome: Teun Karreman & Carol de Groot
Crèche: Meriam v.d. Velden & Heather Wong
Deacons-Counting: Mavis Fleming & James Essel
Door: Peace Acquaah
Beamer: Daniel de Jong
Recording: Andre v.d. Velden
Hospitality: Dorcas Nthoki & Juliet Moses
Flowers: Cynthia Massicott

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The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.**

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