

Welcome to the



Scots International Church Rotterdam

a congregation of the
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Bible Readings for the coming Week

Monday, April 30: Psalm 80; Isaiah 5:1-7; Galatians 5:16-26
Tuesday, May 1: Psalm 80; Isaiah 32:9-20; James 3:17-18
Wednesday, May 2: Psalm 80; Isaiah 65:17-25; John 14:18-31
Thursday, May 3: Psalm 98; Isaiah 49:5-6; Acts 10:1-34
Friday, May 4: Psalm 98; Isaiah 42:5-9; Acts 10:34-43
Saturday, May 5: Psalm 98; Deuteronomy 32:44-47; Mark 10:42-45

A Prayer from El Salvador

Christ our true God, risen from the dead,
whose tomb is brighter than any royal hall,
will have mercy on us, and save us,
for this is a good God who loves us all.

Amen.

**Order of Service for Sunday 29 April 2018
5th Sunday of Easter**

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Call to Worship (congregational responses **in bold**)

We are met in the presence of God,

and we do not meet alone.

With the angels in highest heaven,

we gather to worship the Lord.

With the saints of every age,

we gather to worship the Lord.

With the church throughout the world,

we gather to worship the Lord.

By children and babes at the breast,

God's holy name be praised.

With drums, sitars and trumpets,

God's holy name be praised.

Amidst hopes and fears for the future,

God's holy name be praised.

And here with our hearts and voices,

God's holy name be praised.

We are met in the presence of God,

and we do not meet alone.

**Introit: Come, all you people, come and praise your
Maker**

(CH4 757)

Come all you people,
come and praise your Maker,
come all you people,
come and praise your Maker,
come all you people,
come and praise your Maker,
come now and worship the Lord.

Welcome & Prayer of Approach

**Praise: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty,
the King of creation (MP
564)**

- 1 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation;
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation;
all ye who hear,
brothers and sisters, draw near,
praise Him in glad adoration.
- 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously
reigneth,
shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth:
hast thou not seen?
all that is needful hath been
granted in what He ordaineth.
- 3 Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work, and
defend thee!
surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.
Ponder anew
what the Almighty can do,
who with His love doth befriend thee.
- 4 Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath come now with praises before
Him!
Let the amen
sound from His people again:
gladly for aye we adore Him.

Children's Message

Praise: This little light of mine
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This little light of mine
I'm gonna let it shine
This little light of mine
I'm gonna let it shine
This little light of mine
I'm gonna let it shine
Let it shine, let it shine
Let it shine

Blessing on the Children

Prayer of Confession – Elder

- *concluding with 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.

Praise: In Christ there is no East or West
329)

(MP

- 1 In Christ there is no east or west,
in Him no south or north,
but one great fellowship of love
throughout the whole wide earth.
- 2 In Him shall true hearts everywhere
their high communion find:
His service is the golden cord
close-binding all mankind.
- 3 Join hands then, brothers of the faith,
whate'er your race may be!
Who serves my Father as a son
is surely kin to me.
- 4 In Christ now meet both east and west,
in Him meet south and north,
all Christly souls are one in Him,
throughout the whole wide earth.

Readings:

1 John 4: 7 – 21

(p. 1227)

7 Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God.

8Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love.

9 This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him.

10 This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.

11 Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

12 No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us.

13 This is how we know that we live in him and he in us: He has given us of his Spirit.

14 And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent his Son to be the Savior of the world.

15 If anyone acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God lives in them and they in God.

16 And so we know and rely on the love God has for us. God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them.

17 This is how love is made complete among us so that we will have confidence on the day of judgment: In this world we are like Jesus.

18 There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love.

19 We love because he first loved us.

20 Whoever claims to love God yet hates a brother or sister is a liar. For whoever does not love their brother and sister, whom they have seen, cannot love God, whom they have not seen.

21 And he has given us this command: Anyone who loves God must also love their brother and sister.

John 15: 1 – 8

(p. 1083)

1 “I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener.

2 He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful.

3 You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you.

4 Remain in me, as I also remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me.

5 "I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.

6 If you do not remain in me, you are like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned.

7 If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.

8 This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples.

Sermon

Praise: Brother, sister, let me serve you
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1. 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.

2. 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.

3. 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

4. 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

5. 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.

6, 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.

Offering & Prayer of Dedication

Musical Praise: Sonata in D Minor by Arcangelo Corelli

Church News

Prayers for the World

Praise: Father Eternal, Ruler of Creation
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1. Father Eternal, Ruler of Creation,
Spirit of Life, by whom all things are made,
through the thick darkness covering every
nation,

Light to our blindness, come now to our aid!

Refrain: Your kingdom come, O Lord, your will be done

2. Races and peoples, still we stand divided,
and, sharing not our griefs, no joy can share;
by wars and tumults Love is mocked, derided,
his conquering cross no kingdom wills to bear;

Refrain:

3. Envious of heart, blind-eyed, with tongues confounded,
nation by nation still goes unforgiven;
in wrath and fear, by jealousies surrounded,
building proud towers which shall not reach to
heaven.

Refrain:

Lust of possession causes desolations;
meekness is honoured nowhere on the earth.
Led by no star, the rulers of the nations
still fail to bring us to the blissful birth.

Refrain:

How shall we love you, holy, hidden Being,
if we love not the world which you have made?
Oh, give us purer love, for better seeing
your Word made flesh and in a manger laid.

Refrain:

Benediction

In our living and loving,	the blessing of God.
In singing and praying,	the blessing of God.
In giving and acting,	the blessing of God.
In strength and in vulnerability,	the blessing of God.
In seeking justice and peace,	the blessing of God.

On our brothers and sisters throughout the world,
the blessing of God, this day and every day.
and Three-fold Amen

Church News

Ladies' Bible Studies on Wednesday 2nd May
10.30am in the Creche
and 8.00pm at Irene Bom's

Next Sunday, 6 May, we celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion at 10.30am.

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

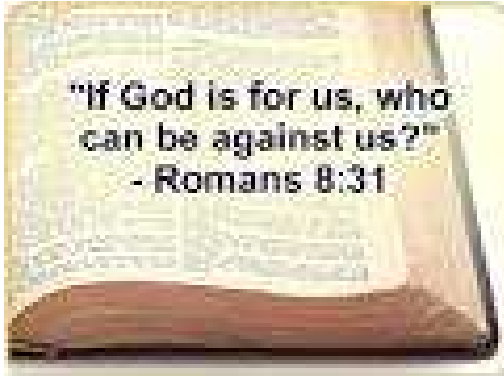
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What's on the agenda?

Tuesday 1 May 20h00 Property Working Group
Sunday 6 May 10h30 Sacrament of Holy Communion

Who's who Today

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Summary 22.04.18

Open plate	332.75
Envelopes	305.00
Coffee money	15.17
Sunday school	4.65
Bank (weekly avg.)	454.00
Fixed rental weekly avg.	368.00
Additional rental avg	<u>322.00</u>
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Average Weekly expenditure **2,038.00**

Church News of 15.04.2018 announced by the Elder

Please check the agenda in this Order of Service and take it home for further reference.

The Mission Offering on Communion Sunday next week will benefit the Nazareth Trust, which a.o. supports the Nazareth Hospital.

If you like to receive the **SICR Bulletin** in your mailbox every Thursday, make sure Ato Bob has your email address.

If you did not hear these announcements properly, find them on the **Notice Board** downstairs, with a copy to take away.

Please note: the spoken word counts!