



Welcome to the

## **Scots International Church Rotterdam**

a congregation of the  
Church of Scotland International Presbytery

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### **Bible Readings for the coming Week**

Monday, May 21: Psalm 104:2434, 35b; Joel 2:1829; 1 Corinthians 12:411  
Tuesday, May 22: Psalm 104:2434, 35b; Genesis 11:19; 1 Corinthians 12:1227  
Wednesday, May 23: Psalm 104:2434, 35b; Ezekiel 37:114; John 20:1923  
Thursday, May 24: Psalm 29; Isaiah 1:14, 1620; Romans 8:18  
Friday, May 25: Psalm 29; Isaiah 2:15; Romans 8:911  
Saturday, May 26: Psalm 29; Isaiah 5:1524; John 15:1820, 2627

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**Order of Service for Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2018**

**The Service will be lead by Rev. Irene Bom**

**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2018**

**Pentecost Sunday**

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

Creator, Spirit, come,  
**Fresh as the morning dew.**  
Inflaming Spirit, come,  
**Kindle our hearts anew.**

*Introit (Choir):* **Breathe on me breath of God** (MP 67)

1. Breathe on me, breath of God.  
fill me with life anew,  
that I may love what Thou dost love,  
and do what Thou wouldst do.

2. Breathe on me, breath of God,  
until my heart is pure,  
until with Thee I will one will,  
to do and to endure.

3. Breathe on me, breath of God,  
till I am wholly Thine,  
until this earthly part of me  
glows with Thy fire divine.

4. Breathe on me, breath of God,  
so shall I never die,  
but live with Thee the perfect life  
of Thine eternity.

*Welcome*

*Litany: The Holy Spirit in creation*

**Praise: All creatures of our God and King**

(MP 7)

- 1 All creatures of our God and King,  
lift up your voice and with us sing:  
hallelujah, hallelujah!  
Thou burning sun with golden beam,  
thou silver moon with softer gleam:  
*O praise Him, O praise Him,  
hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah!*
  
- 2 Thou rushing wind that art so strong,  
ye clouds that sail in heaven along,  
O praise Him, hallelujah!  
Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice,  
ye lights of evening, find a voice:  
*O praise Him . . .*
  
- 3 Thou flowing water, pure and clear,  
make music for thy Lord to hear,  
hallelujah, hallelujah!  
Thou fire so masterful and bright,  
that givest man both warmth and light:  
*O praise Him . . .*
  
- 4 And all ye men of tender heart,  
forgiving others, take your part,  
O sing ye, hallelujah!  
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,  
praise God and on Him cast your care:  
*O praise Him . . .*

- 5 Let all things their Creator bless,  
and worship Him in humbleness,  
O praise Him, hallelujah!  
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,  
and praise the Spirit, Three-in-One:  
*O praise Him . . .*

*Opening Prayer*

*Children's Message*

**Praise: When we pray** (SSS2014102)

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.

*Blessing on the Children*

*Prayer of Confession*

- *concluding with The Lord's Prayer*
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- o 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: Spirit of God, unseen as the wind*  
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(CH4

*Spirit of God, unseen as the wind,  
gentle as is the dove,  
teach us the truth and help us believe,  
show us the Saviour's love.*

1.You spoke to us long, long ago,  
gave us the written word;  
we read it still, needing its truth,  
through it God's voice is heard.

2.Without your help we fail our Lord,  
we cannot live his way;  
we need your power, we need your strength  
following Christ each day.

*First Bible Reading: Acts 2: 1 - 21*  
(p. 1093)

**1** When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place.

**2** Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting.

**3** They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them.

**4** All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

**5** Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven.

**6** When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken.

**7** Utterly amazed, they asked: “Aren’t all these who are speaking Galileans?”

**8** Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language?

**9** Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia,

**10** Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome

**11** (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!”

**12** Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, “What does this mean?”

**13** Some, however, made fun of them and said, “They have had too much wine.”

### **Peter Addresses the Crowd**

**14** Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: “Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say.

**15** These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It’s only nine in the morning!

**16** No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

**17** “ ‘In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams.

**18** Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy.

**19** I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood and fire and billows of smoke.

**20** The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord.

**21** And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.’

### **Activity: Language Lab**

*2<sup>nd</sup> Bible Reading: John 15: 26-27 & 16: 4b-15*(p. 1083 & 1084)

**26** “When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father—the Spirit of truth who goes out from the Father—he will testify about me.

**27** And you also must testify, for you have been with me from the beginning.

I did not tell you this from the beginning because I was with you,

**5** but now I am going to him who sent me. None of you asks me, ‘Where are you going?’

**6** Rather, you are filled with grief because I have said these things.

**7** But very truly I tell you, it is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you.

**8** When he comes, he will prove the world to be in the wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment:

**9** about sin, because people do not believe in me;  
**10** about righteousness, because I am going to the Father,  
where you can see me no longer;  
**11** and about judgment, because the prince of this world now  
stands condemned.  
**12** “I have much more to say to you, more than you can now  
bear.  
**13** But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you  
into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak  
only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come.  
**14** He will glorify me because it is from me that he will receive  
what he will make known to you.  
**15** All that belongs to the Father is mine. That is why I said  
the Spirit will receive from me what he will make known to  
you.”

*Sermon:* **Wait to receive**

**Praise: O Breath of life**

(MP 488)

- 1 O Breath of Life, come sweeping through us,  
revive Your Church with life and power;  
O Breath of Life, come, cleanse, renew us  
and fit Your Church to meet this hour.
- 2 O Breath of Love, come breathe within us,  
renewing thought and will and heart;  
come, Love of Christ, afresh to win us,  
revive Your Church in every part!
- 3 O Wind of God, come bend us, break us  
till humbly we confess our need;  
then, in Your tenderness remake us,  
revive, restore – for this we plead.



- 4 Revive us, Lord; is zeal abating  
while harvest fields are vast and white?  
Revive us, Lord, the world is waiting –  
equip Thy Church to spread the light.

*Offering and Dedication*

*Anthem (Choir): Spirit of God, renew the face of the earth.*

(Psalm 104:30)

Spirit of God, renew the face of the earth;  
Spirit of God, renew the face of the earth.

*Church News*

*Prayers for Others*     *Elder*

*Praise: We sing a love*     (CH4 622)

1 We sing a love that sets all people free,  
that blows like wind, that burns like scorching flame,  
enfolds the earth, springs up like water clear:  
come, living love, live in our hearts today.

2 We sing a love that seeks another's good,  
that longs to serve and not to count the cost,  
a love that, yielding, finds itself made new:  
come, caring love, live in our hearts today.

3 We sing a love, unflinching, unafraid  
to be itself, despite another's wrath,  
a love that stands alone and undismayed:  
come, strengthening love, live in our hearts today.

4 We sing a love that, wandering, will not rest  
until it finds its way, its home, its source,  
through joy and sadness pressing on refreshed:  
come, pilgrim love, live in our hearts today.

5 We sing the Holy Spirit, full of love,  
who seeks out scars of ancient bitterness,  
brings to our wounds the healing grace of Christ:  
come, radiant love, live in our hearts today.

*Benediction and Threefold Amen*

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### **Church News**

The **Young Adults Christian Fellowship** continues today at 12:30  
in the attic of the Manse.

**The Ladies Bible Study** meets on **Wednesday evenings** - so on  
23<sup>rd</sup> May 8pm @ Rev. Irene Bom's. All ladies are welcome, even if  
you can only come every now and then.

**Derek will still be on holiday till 24<sup>th</sup> May**, during which time  
please **contact the Consistory Clerk, Bob Hensen** regarding  
any urgent pastoral matter (ph. 06 16 808 505)

**Thursday Evening 30<sup>th</sup> May 17.30 pm** BPD Architects are  
organizing an information evening on "**De Maasbode**" the flat  
which will replace the old Zadkine building opposite the SICR.  
**Summer Club July & August, please consider your options.**

**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](mailto: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**

*For Privacy reasons this information will only be available in the printed version of the Order of Service, available in church. Would you like your birthday mentioned? Inform the Office Team!*

### **What's on the agenda?**

Wednesday 23 May 8 pm Evening Ladies Bible Study  
Saturday 25 May 9.45 am Public Speaking with Eric Foggitt  
Sunday 26 May 10h30 Praise & Worship Service  
Friday 1 June Book group at Bazaar 1 pm

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### **Who's who Today**

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## Summary 13.0518

Open plate	332.16
Envelopes	585.50
Coffee money	12.90
Sunday school	9.80
Soup Lunch 8/4	31.20
Bank (weekly avg.)	454.00
Fixed rental weekly avg.	368.00
Additional rental avg	<u>322.00</u>
	<b>€ 2,084.36</b>
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Average Weekly expenditure **2,038.00**

**Church News of 20.05.2018 announced by the Elder**

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

**Allow Bob to speak on the AVG and Privacy**

***To be added as it comes available***

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!*