

# **The Scots International Church Rotterdam**



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

## Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2013

### **THE GATHERING**

Call to worship

Introit: "Go with us, Lord" – the Choir

Welcome & prayer

Praise: Let us build a house (All are welcome)

Children's message & praise: "Don't complain"

### **THE WORD**

Prayer of confession

Bible readings: **Psalm 63: 1 – 8** (p. 579)

**Isaiah 55: 1 – 9** (p. 742)

Praise: Glorious things of thee are spoken (173)

Sermon: **"Journeying in Lent"**

### **THE THANKSGIVING**

Offering & dedication

Praise: How sweet the name of Jesus sounds  
(251 verses: 1-4)

Sacrament of Communion  
& "Psalm 136" (Alex & Peter)

Prayers for others

### **THE SENDING**

Anthem: "Panis Angelicus" (Lamibillotte) – Choir

Announcements

Praise: We've a story to tell to the nations (744)

Benediction & 'three-fold' Amen

**Call to Worship** *(based on Psalm 63)*

O God, you are my God; earnestly I seek you.  
**I have seen you in the sanctuary  
and beheld your power and your glory.**

Because your love is better than life,  
**my lips will glorify you.**

I will praise you as long as I live,  
**and in your name I will lift up my hands.**

**Thought for the week**

“Like your landlord becoming your lodger; like your managing director becoming to you for an interview; like Beethoven queuing up for a ticket for his own concert; like a headmaster getting the cane; like a good architect living in a slum built by a rival; like Picasso paining by numbers – God lived among us.”  
(David Watson).

**The Service today**

Preacher: Rev. John Chapman  
Prayers: Rev. Robert Calvert  
Elder: Mavis Fleming  
Organist: Netty Dijkstra-Geuze  
Choir: Anneke Pot (Andrea Hayter)  
Children’s message: Rev. Irene Bom  
Bible reading: Samuel Enow  
Welcome: James Essel & Pam Russell  
Crèche: Wenli Wan & Sofie Rebel  
Counting: Frieda Enow & Bridget Teisman  
Door: Harmen Rebel  
Beamer: André van de Velden  
Recording: Brenden van der Velden  
Hospitality: Joanne Tsai

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## **WHAT'S ON**

### **Tuesday**

19:45 Consistory (Church House)

### **Wednesday:**

11:00 Mamre (Lower Hall)

19.30 Urban Ministry course (Church house)

### **Thursday**

11:30 Voedsel Bank (Lower Hall)

19.00 Alpha Course (Lower Hall)

### **Friday**

Presbytery of Europe meets in Amsterdam

### **Sunday**

**10.30** Worship, Sunrise

12.00 Soup lunch & Social team meeting

## **Birthdays**

We offer our warm congratulations to Nyomi Cairo, Fayola Cairo, Wyatt Kamara & Patience Takem (today), Quinten Massicott (Monday), Gabriella Balke-Budai (Thursday), Emma de Zanger (Friday), Dorothy Kingsale (Saturday), Aletia Baiye and Nelly Schonewille (Sunday) on their birthdays this week.

## **Mission offering for Consistory Fund**

Please give to the mission offering today which is for the church's own diaconal (charitable or ministry) fund. We have piggy banks available if you would like to start collecting coins

to give to needy persons. Ask the pastor for one. This church has operated such a fund since 1646.

### **Consistory**

On Tuesday the Consistory meeting for elders is at 19.45. On Friday the Presbytery of Europe meets in Amsterdam.

### **Welcome to our guest preacher!**

We warmly welcome Rev. John Chapman who is chaplain for the international Churches in the diocese of London. He and Robert have known each other since university days in Scotland.

### **Urban course**

For six Wednesday evenings in March and April the minister offers a course in urban ministry that connects public life with issues of pastoral care and outreach. Through this course it is also possible to gain credits with Tyndale Seminary. Today you can sign up or chat to Robert Calvert.

### **Alpha course**

This Thursday the big question at the new Alpha Course is "Why and how do I pray?" The course is an excellent introduction to the Christian faith. It begins with a meal on Thursdays from 19.00.

### **Lenten Table**

In the season of Lent in the run-up to Easter, many Christians take on personal disciplines. There is a table in the hall today to stimulate ideas and prayers. You are invited to share your own practice to inspire others.

### **Social team**

The Social team meets on Sunday 10 March after the service to make some plans. If you would like to join or want to know more about it, you are welcome to come or speak to Mavis Fleming.

## **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.

## **Young adults**

We are having a discussion about forming a young adults group that will meet for fellowship on perhaps a monthly basis. If you are interested or have ideas, speak with the minister or with Eugene Ng. We want to offer support to those who are over 18 and left the youth group.

## **Prayer Network**

Using e-mail, we hope to be better connected, informed and encouraged to pray for the church and the world we live in. We want to share specific information as far as we are able to, but not personal details that should be regarded as confidential. If you would like to be part of this SICR Prayer Network and actively participate in intercessory prayer, please send to Wilma Paton at [pray.sicr@gmail.com](mailto:pray.sicr@gmail.com) or leave a note in the prayer box in the church entrance.

## **Concerts and cultural activities**

We want to bring together a group to plan concerts and cultural activities at the church. If you are interested in this, please speak with Molly Foster (or Robert Calvert).

## **Beginner's Dutch Lessons**

For beginner's Dutch lessons, speak to Harry Jonckheere (tel. 010 501 5296). Lessons will be at "Mamre" on Wednesday mornings from 10.00.

### **Stichting Living Water Link**

The foundation Living Water Link still collects electronics that are in working condition for the project in Nigeria. They would be interested in such items as TVs, computers, mobile phones, etc. If you have any to be picked up, please call Peter Agbasomba at 010 479 3933 or at: [tessca@hetnet.nl](mailto:tessca@hetnet.nl). Info at: [www.livingwaterlink.nl](http://www.livingwaterlink.nl)