

The Scots International Church Rotterdam



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

Sunday 14th April 2013

THE GATHERING

Call to worship:

Praise: Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks (30)

Prayer & welcome

Children's message

Praise: This is the day (691)

THE WORD

Prayer of confession

Bible reading: **John 21: 1-25** (p. 1090)

Praise: The steadfast love of the Lord (666)

Sermon: **"Naked before God"**

THE THANKSGIVING

Praise (Sonrise): All heaven declares (14)
Rejoice, rejoice (572)
You have turned my sorrow

Offering & offertory: All that I am, all that I do

Prayer of dedication

Open Spot

Prayers for others

THE SENDING

Announcements

Praise: God sent His Son (52)

Benediction & 'three-fold' Amen

Call to Worship (from Psalm 99)

Let us praise the name of the Lord.

The Lord is king,
the Lord our God is holy.

Let us praise the name of the Lord.

The Lord is mighty.

The Lord our God is just and full of mercy.

Let us praise the name of the Lord,

Let us worship at his holy mountain,

For the Lord our God is holy.

Thought for the week

“Nothing seems so dead as the clematis in the winter. But even as March winds batter one’s garden, long green fingers open up from the clematis with brittle twigs, seeking somewhere to take a grip on life.”

(A.C. Grayling, “The Meaning of Things”)

The Service today

Preacher: Rev. Robert Calvert

Elder: Fred Booman

Organist: Jan Hendrik vd Kamp

Bible reading: Lawrence Keyere

Children’s message: Richmond Mensah

Sonrise: Irene Bom

Welcome: Daniel de Jong & Emanuelle Asare Awuku

Crèche: Willemijn Gwanmesia & Maaïke Koka

Counting: Janine Kooy & James Essel

Door: Ruud Witte

Beamer: Anthony Evovo

Recording: Brenden van der Velden

Hospitality: Archimedes & Theodora

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WHAT'S ON

Today

12.00 Soup Lunch (Lower Hall)

Wednesday

11:00 Mamre (Lower Hall)

Thursday

11:30 Voedsel Bank (Lower Hall)

19.00 Alpha Course (Lower Hall)

Sunday

10.30 Worship, Choir

Birthdays

We offer our warm congratulations to Tine de Groot (Monday), Gladys Acquah & Frank Knoester (Wednesday). George Ross (Thursday) and Emmanuel Asare-Awuku (Friday) on their birthdays this week.

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 or leave a note in the prayer box in the church entrance.

Alpha course

The big question for the Alpha course this Thursday is “Does God heal today?” Alan Paton will make the presentation and the evening starts with a meal from 19.00 and ends by 21.15.

Soup lunch

Please stay for soup and bread lunch after the service today. We are very grateful to Henny Vermeulen, Nicole & Eugene Ng and Sylvia Scott for making the delicious soups on offer.

Course in Pastoral Counselling

A course in skills in pastoral counselling is planned over three Saturday mornings next month starting at 10.00 on 4 May. This is highly recommended for anyone involved in pastoral conversations. The minister has invited pastor Rose Fer to lead this course. Outlines are available in the church entrance where you can also register.

Minister in Romania

On Wednesday Robert will travel to Cluj in Romania with Alex & Peter and Paul Criss. They will take part in a consultation about “Jesus in the city” with David Clark of Dundee. You can reach our pastor by text or e-mail. He will be available from next Tuesday evening but in case of urgent attention, call any one of the elders.

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.

Youth Group

The Youth Group is for youth from 13 to 18 years old. They meet every Sunday during the service upstairs in the attic – except the last Sunday of the month. If you want to join, you're always welcome. For more info, talk to Rignalda Fleming, Fayola Cairo, Jeroen Naaktgeboren or Saskia Dorsman (010290 0292).

Activities on Ascension Day

On Thursday 9 May we plan to offer an interactive day of fellowship and fun. We will start to make the garden mosaic for the outside wall of the church. There will also be games, tea-garden, making music and poetry together with lunch – something for all the family! For more details, see Allen Foster, Wilma Paton, Andre vd Velden or Robert Calvert.

Marathon Sunday

Congratulations for getting to church today! We pray for a healthy uneventful marathon and for those known to us running this morning.

Herald newsletter

Contributions for the May-June issue of the church newsletter are invited. Please send to Bob Hensen or to editor-herald@live.com

Confirmation

Anyone wishing to confirm the vows made for them as a child and join the church are asked to speak with Robert Calvert as soon as possible.

Crèche

The crèche is a safe and warm place for children up to the age of three years old. Parents are also able to hear the service – so you don't miss out!

The Crèche is a great way for parents of young children (0-3) to meet one another! If you are interested to look after children, contact Silvia Aiomwanbor or Maaïke Koka for details