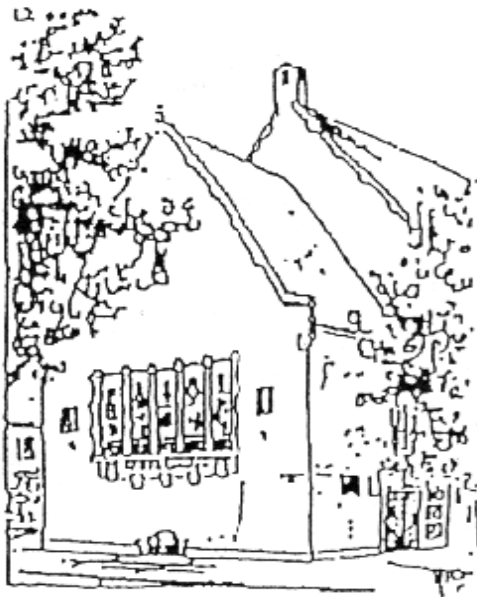


# **The Scots International Church Rotterdam**



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

## Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2013

### THE GATHERING

Call to worship

Welcome & prayer

Praise: O come, O come, Emmanuel (493)

Children's message

Praise: Be bold, be strong (49)

### THE WORD

Prayer

Bible readings: Isaiah 11: 1 – 10 (p. 696)

Praise: Isaiah the prophet has written of old

Sermon: "The Hope of Advent"

### THE THANKSGIVING

Praise with Sonrise: Jesu Tawo Pano

In the Lord I'll be ever thankful

Jesus names above all names (375)

Jesus help us grow in wisdom

(WORDS SEE ON THE END OF THIS LEAFLET)

Offering and dedication

Baptisms & the Admission of New Members

Prayers for others

### THE SENDING

Announcements

Praise: Fear not, rejoice and be glad (144)

Benediction and 'three-fold' Amen

## Call to worship

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel,  
**who alone does wondrous things.**

Blessed be his glorious name for ever.  
**May his glory fill the whole earth.**

## Thought for the week

"The Christian hope is not a matter for tickling our minds but for changing our lives and influencing society." (Stephen Travis)

## Today is the second Sunday in Advent!

Preacher: Rev. Robert Calvert  
Elder: Fred Booman  
Organist: Magdalena Jones  
Bible Reading: Alan Holloway  
Children's message: Virginia Hendriks  
Welcome: Daniel de Jong & James Essel  
Crèche: Miriam & Maaïke  
Counting: Mavis Fleming & Molly Foster  
Door: Bob Hensen  
Beamer: Anthony Evovo  
Recording: Brendan van der Velden  
Flowers: Christine Galloway  
Soup: Liz van der Velden, Indhira & Ranee  
Hospitality: Sally Atem & Rinus van der Starre

## Birthdays?

We do not know of anyone in the congregation with birthdays this week. Please let us know your date of birth so that we can celebrate it with you!

## Philippines Disaster

Please consult the noticeboard for giro numbers for emergency donations to Christian NGOs.

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**Bank account: 69 96 42 620**

**ING bank number: 175187**

## **WHAT'S ON**

### **Today**

12.00 Soup-lunch (Lower Hall)

### **Monday**

19.15 Old Testament Survey (Church house)

### **Tuesday**

10.00 Mosaic workshop (Church house)

### **Wednesday**

10.30 Dutch language class (Church house)

10.30 Mamre (Lower Hall)

19.00 Mosaic workshop (Church house)

19.00 "Alpha course" (Church House)

19.30 "Buurt bestuurt" (Lower Hall)

### **Thursday**

09.00 English language class (Church house)

11:30 Voedsel Bank (Lower Hall)

### **Sunday**

10.30 Worship, family service, Advent 3

12.30 Sunday school Party

17.00 Christmas Tea

18.00 Carol singing in the 'buurt'

19.00 Carol service (with the Choir)

### **Mission offering**

The mission offering taken up this month is to be given to the **Al Ahli Hospital in Gaza**. This is the Presbytery of Europe's mission project for 2013-2014. The Hospital is respected as a provider of the quality health care for all. It works closely with the Palestinian National Authority Ministry of Health and is the first to receive the overflow from the government hospital in Gaza. The hospital is open to all, irrespective of their faith. It treats the poor without charge. It treats those hurt in the crossfire. This hospital works because the staff, Muslims and Christians, work unstintingly to take care of those around

them. The Chief Surgeon is a Muslim and the Director of the Hospital is a Christian. Check out: [www.jmecca.org.uk](http://www.jmecca.org.uk)

### **New members**

This morning we welcome Bernice Abornget, Eszter Kocsis, Beth Hooper, Christine Snoei-Galloway, Rakhie Akkal, Yetty & Sven van der Made, Rinus van der Starre and Stanley Murithi as new members of the church. They will profess their faith and Bernice, Rakhie and Rinus will be baptized. "Now you are the body of Christ and each one of you is a part of it." (1 Cor. 12: 27)

### **Alpha Course**

The theme of the Alpha Course on Wednesday is "**What about the Church?**" We start with dinner at 19.00 and a presentation will be given by Eugene Ng. Discussion groups close at 21.15

### **'Kop van Zuid' church**

Today at 16.00 you are invited to hear about the new "Kerk op de Kop" at the Drijvend Pavilion, Tillemakade 99, opposite Hogeschool InHolland.

### **Christmas Play**

The Christmas family service is next Sunday 15 December. The children have received a letter telling about it. There will be a practice directly after the service today and on 15 December the children need to be in church early at 10.00.

### **Prayer**

You can join this new e-mail prayer network and actively intercede in prayer from home. Call Wilma Paton at [pray.sicr@gmail.com](mailto:pray.sicr@gmail.com) or leave a note in the prayer box in the entrance.

### **Language learning?**

If you would like to learn **Dutch**, there is a class for beginners with Harry Jonckheere on Wednesdays at 10.30. There are still places at the 09.00 group to learn **English** on Thursday mornings. Info from Pam Russell 010 5914959.

### **The Garden Wall Mosaic**

Everyone is welcome to the Attic Studio to work on Tuesday from 10:00 to 15:00 and Wednesday from 19:30 to 22:30.

Contact Andre vd Velden at 0653641271 or Wilma Paton at 0616236652

[www.facebook.com/thegardenwallmosaic](http://www.facebook.com/thegardenwallmosaic)

### **Sunday 15 December**

We sing Christmas Carols around the area of the Scots International Church on Sunday 15th December. When visiting several the Fire Station and Wallonian Church, we sing a few songs in each. Come and sing in your own language! We have texts in English, Dutch and French. We will carry little lights for about 30 minutes and have warm punch or chocolate drinks to warm us up. This happens between the *Christmas Tea* (17.00-18.00... please bring some finger food to share)

and the **Carol Service** (19.00-20.00). For those who don't wish to sing carols outside, you can stay in the hall downstairs to wait for the service. See Pam Russell if you would like to play an instrument and she will send music via e-mail. For more info, pick up fliers or see notice.

### **Books at Scots International Church**

Check out the church bookstall for gifts. **Beth Hooper's** book "The Roots that Clutch" is available on the bookstall at 14.95 euros and Beth will donate 4-95 to the church! **Iveren Agbatse** book "My thoughts" is a recently published collection of poems about God.

### **Book group for mums**

The next meeting of the book group for mothers is on Tuesday 17 December from 09.30 to 11.00 in the crèche room. Other dates in the New Year are 7 & 21 January and 4 February. All mothers with their children are welcome. Contact Justyna Glebocka at: [justynaglebocka@gmail.com](mailto:justynaglebocka@gmail.com)

### **Reading group**

The next meeting of the reading group is on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> January at 13.00 when the book is "The Colour" by Rose Tremain. For more info contact Norma Taylor at [i\\_taylor@versatel.nl](mailto:i_taylor@versatel.nl) or Patricia Ewing at 010-5216263.

### **Scots International Church on internet**

You can see a programme about this church at [www.station-r.nl](http://www.station-r.nl) or [Gebedshuis van de Week - Scots International Church Rotterdam Centrum](http://Gebedshuis van de Week - Scots International Church Rotterdam Centrum)

**Jesus help us grow in wisdom ([www.irenebom.com](http://www.irenebom.com) )**

Jesus help us grow in wisdom  
Help us to grow  
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To be like you, to be like you  
To be like you, Jesus  
We want to be like you.  
To be like you, to be like you  
To be like you, Jesus  
We want to be like you.

**Isaiah the prophet has written of old (CH4 241)**

Isaiah the prophet has written of old  
How God 's new creation shall come  
Instead of the thorn tree, the fir tree shall grow  
And the wolf shall lie down with the lamb, the lamb  
The wolf shall lie down with the lamb

The mountain and hills shall break forth into song  
The peoples be led forth in peace  
The earth shall be filled with the knowledge of God  
As the water covers the sea, the sea  
As the waters covers the sea

Yet nations still prey on the meek of the world,  
And conflict turns parent from child  
Your people despoil all the sweetness of earth,  
And the brier and the thorn tree grow wild, grow wild,  
The brier and the thorn tree grow wild.

God, bring to fruition your will for the earth  
That no one shall hurt or destroy,  
That wisdom and justice shall reign in the land  
And your people shall go forth in joy, in joy,  
Your people shall go forth in joy in joy

### **Jesu Tawa Pano (CH4 773)**

Jesu, tawa pano  
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Tawa pano, mu zita renyu

Jesus, we are here  
Jesus, we are here  
Jesus, we are here  
Jesus, we are here  
We are here for you

### **In the Lord I'll be ever thankful (CH4 772)**

In the Lord I'll be ever thankful  
In the Lord I will rejoice  
Look to God, do not be afraid  
Lift your voices, the Lord is near  
Lift your voices the Lord is near



