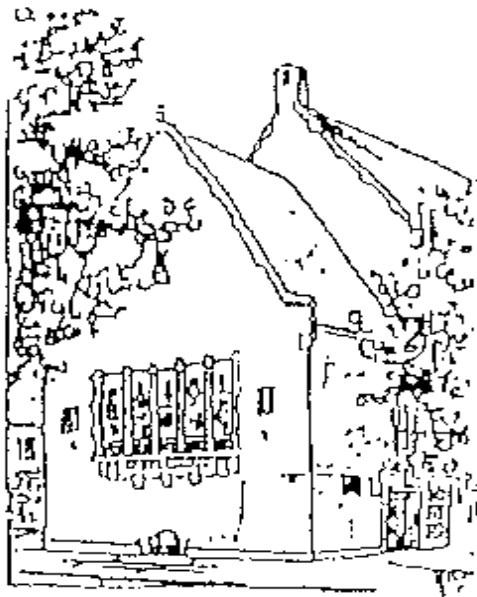


# **The Scots International Church Rotterdam**



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

## Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2014

### **THE GATHERING**

Call to worship



Introit: "Be not afraid" – the Choir

Welcome & prayer

Praise: Great is thy faithfulness (200)

Children's message

Praise: Seek ye first (590)

### **THE WORD**

Prayer of confession

Bible reading: Matthew 6: 25 – 34 (p.971)

Praise: Look and learn (CG 72) (Words see below)

Sermon: "Worry weighs you down"

### **THE THANKSGIVING**

Praise: Turn your eyes upon Jesus (712)

Offering and dedication

Ordination of elder & welcome of new deacons

Prayers for others

Anthem: "Is Your all on the Altar?" – the Choir

### **THE SENDING**

Announcements



Praise: In Christ alone (1072) (Words see below)

Benediction and '3-fold' Amen

**Call to Worship** (from Psalm 84: 1-7)

Lord, how lovely is your dwelling place,  
my soul longs for the courts of the Lord.  
My heart sings for joy to the living God.

**Happy are those who live in your house  
and sing your praise for ever.**

Even the sparrow finds a home,  
and the swallow a nest to lay her eggs.

**Happy are those who live in your house  
and sing your praise for ever.**

Happy are those whose strength is in you,  
in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

**Happy are those who live in your house  
and sing your praise for ever.**

**Thought for the week**



“The only investments worth anything in the next life are the heavenly ones that we invest in now.”

**The Service today**

Preacher: Robert Calvert

Elder: Charles Ashu

Organist: Netty Dijkstra

Worship leaders: Andre van der Velden,  
Alan Paton

Choir: Andrea Hayter

Bible reading: Fanny Mensah

Welcome: Margriet van Overbeeke,  
Alan Holloway

Crèche: Wenli Wan, Sofie Rebel

Counting: Esther Abang, Harry Jonckheere

Door: Anthony Evovo

Beamer: Jan Dirk Schouten

Recording: Brenden van der Velden

Hospitality: Agnes & Mwanja, Irene

Flowers: Regina Pariury

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## **WHAT'S ON**

### **Today**

12.00 Creche meeting with parents & friends

### **Monday**

19.00 N.T. Survey course (Church house)

### **Tuesday**

10.00 Garden Mosaic studio (Church house)

### **Wednesday**

07.00 GIDS network breakfast (Lower Hall)

10.00 Dutch language class (Church house)

10.30 Mamre (Lower Hall)

19.30 Garden Mosaic studio (Church house)

19.30 Beta Bible study (Lower Hall)

### **Thursday**

09.00 English language class (Church house)

11:30 Voedsel Bank (Lower Hall)

19.15 "Leading Worship" (Church house)

### **Friday**

19.00 Prayer meeting (Lower Hall)

### **Sunday**

10.30 Worship, Joyful Singers

## **Birthdays**

This week we give our warm congratulations to Jim Taylor (Wednesday) and Helen Tesema (Sunday) on their birthdays.

## **Weekly Offering Envelopes**



New offering envelopes are available from Jim Taylor, the treasurer. They are dated for each Sunday in 2014 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.

## **Welcome & farewell to new elders & deacons**

Today we ordain Rizal Sebastian as a new elder, welcome Richmond Mensah & Andre vd Velden as elders ordained previously and new deacons in Frans van der Meer and Ediri Sobotie. We also give thanks and a fond farewell to Janine Kooij as she steps down as a deacon since her relocation to Pijnacker and to a church close by.

## **About our new elder...**

Rizal Sebastian attended this church since 2002 before which he visited the Church of Scotland in Amsterdam. He lives in Delft with his wife Lina and children Matthew & Michelle. Previously Rizal was born in Jakarta, Indonesia, where he was a member of the Indonesian Presbyterian church. He currently works at a software firm for real estate information management.

## **Leading Worship**

The minister is preparing members of the church to lead worship over the next three months. This morning Andre van der Velden leads before the sermon and Bob Hensen afterwards.



## **'Beta' Bible studies**

On Wednesday nights 'Beta' Bible studies offer help to everyone on how the Christian message relates to our culture.

This week we study the **ancestors of Jesus** from **Matthew 1**. The bible study starts at 19.30 and finishes by 21.15.

### **After Work Dinner Show**

The next "After Work Dinner Show" is on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March. This free dinner is at 18:30 and the entertainment will be from 19:30 and 20:45 (end at 22:00). More info or sign up with Molly Foster.

### **GIDS network**

On Wednesday we host a breakfast and prayers for local elections. Info: GIDSnetwerk@setkin.nl

### **Crèche meeting**

Veronica and Maaïke host a meeting for parents who have children in the crèche – and for people interested to help. It is next Sunday 16 March after the service. We want to discuss how things are going, see how we can find more to help and get to know each other better. All are welcome!

### **Sunday School on "Communication"**

On Saturday 29 March the Sunday School organize a training from 10:00–13:00 on "communication". We look at communication with the children, teachers and parents. This morning is open to all in any group of the church and will finish with a simple lunch.

### **The Garden Wall Mosaic**

Everyone is welcome to the Attic Studio to work on Tuesdays from 10:00 to 15:00 and Wednesdays 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)

**29 May 2014 (Thursday)** - The Garden Wall Mosaic Project will be celebrated on Ascension Day or *Hemelvaart* – ***please keep the date free!***

**1 June 2014 (Sunday)** – Dedication of Garden Wall Mosaic is outside after communion service.

From this week part of the wall has been dismantled so that a new rail fence and garden mosaic can be put up.

### Language learning

The **Dutch** class for beginners is with Harry Jonckheere on Wednesdays at 10.30. You can also learn **English** at 09.00 on Thursday mornings – info from Pam Russell: 010 5914959.



### Songs not in Mission Praise:

#### **Look and learn (Common Ground 72)**

Look and learn from the birds of the air,  
flying high above worry and fear;  
neither sowing nor harvesting seed,  
yet they're given whatever they need.  
If the God of earth and heaven  
cares for birds as much as this,  
won't he care much more for you,  
when you put your trust in him?



Look and learn from the flowers of the field,  
bringing beauty and colour to life;  
neither sewing nor tailoring cloth,  
yet they're dressed in the finest attire.  
If the God of earth and heaven  
cares for flowers as much as this,  
won't he care much more for you,  
when you put your trust in him?

What God wants should be our will;  
where God calls should be our goal.  
When we seek the kingdom first,  
all we've lost is ours again.  
Let's be done with anxious thoughts,  
set aside tomorrow's cares,  
live each day that God provides,  
putting all our trust in him.

**In Christ alone (1072) (only in the Complete M.P.)**

In Christ alone my hope is found  
He is my light, my strength, my song  
This Cornerstone, this solid ground  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm  
What heights of love, what depths of peace  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease  
My Comforter, my All in All  
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone, who took on flesh  
Fullness of God in helpless babe  
This gift of love and righteousness  
Scorned by the ones He came to save  
'Till on that cross as Jesus died  
The wrath of God was satisfied  
For every sin on Him was laid  
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay  
Light of the world by darkness slain  
Then bursting forth in glorious Day  
Up from the grave He rose again  
And as He stands in victory  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me  
For I am His and He is mine  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death  
This is the power of Christ in me  
From life's first cry to final breath  
Jesus commands my destiny  
No power of hell, no scheme of man  
Can ever pluck me from His hand



'Till He returns or calls me home  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand