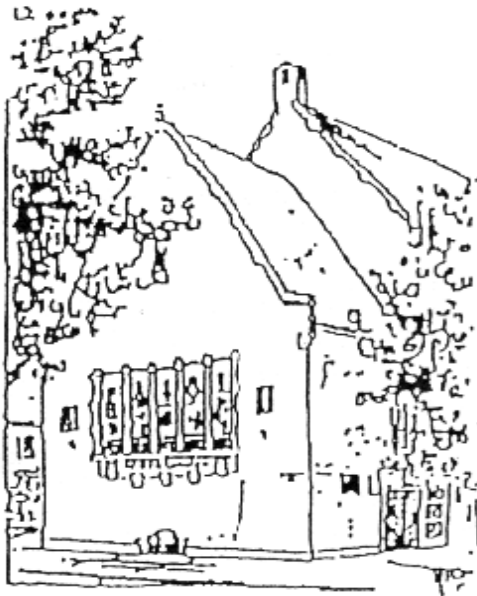


The Scots International Church Rotterdam



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

Sunday 26th October 2014

THE GATHERING

Call to worship

Welcome and prayer

Praise: All people that on earth do dwell (20)

Children's message

Praise: Give me oil in my lamp (167)

THE WORD

Prayer of confession

**Bible reading: 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8;
Matthew 22:34-46**

**Praise: Spirit of God, unseen as the wind (CH4
600)**

Sermon: "All you need is love"

THE THANKSGIVING

**Praise: We sing a love that sets all people
free (CH4 622)**

Offering and dedication

**Praise: All earth was dark (8)
Teach us, Counsellor, Comforter
Shalom, my friend – "Sonrise"**

Open Spot

Prayers for others

THE SENDING

Announcements

Praise: To God be the glory (708)

Benediction and '3-fold' Amen

Call to worship

The earth belongs to the Lord,
the earth and all its people.

How good and how lovely it is
to live together in unity.

Love and faith come together,
justice and peace join hands.

If the Lord's disciples keep silent,
these stones would shout aloud.

Lord, open our lips
and our mouths shall proclaim your praise.

Thought for the week



“Where love rules, there is no will to power, and where power predominates, love is lacking. The one is the shadow of the other.”

(Carl Gustav Jung)

The Service today

Preacher: Rev. Derek Lawson
Elder: Emmanuel Asare Awuku
Worship Leader: Esther Abang
Children's message: Virginia Hendriks
Organist: Konstanze Hofer
Bible reading: Christa Jacobs
Welcome: Joyce Mensah, Jimmy van Putten
Crèche: Wenli Wan & Karen Baiye
Counting: James Essel, Evelyn Koomson,
Door: Ruud Witte
Beamer: Alan Paton
Hospitality: Fred Adjaporp, Paddy Dijk
Recording: Brendan van der Velden
Flowers: Magdalene Osa's

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WHAT'S ON

Wednesday 29th October

10:30 Mamre
19:30 Bible Study

Thursday 30th October

11:30 Voedsel Bank (Lower Hall)
17:30 010 = 1 MARCH to show UNITY

Sunday 2nd November

10:30 Holy Communion & Worship Service

Birthdays

This week, we give our warm congratulations to Angella Mpeirwe (Monday), Bilola Malaika Gwanmesia (Tuesday), Thomas Paton (Tuesday), Bob Hensen (Saturday) and Boluwatif Mary Juliana Kisters (Saturday) on their birthdays.

Dutch and English lessons

Dutch for beginners and three levels of English classes have started. For more information, contact Harry Jonckheere (010-5015296) or Pam Russell (010-5914959).

Prayer Requests and Pastoral Care

Prayer requests can be put in the prayer box on Sundays (*please write clearly and you may add a telephone number or name for clarification*). Prayers can also be sent via the Prayer Co-ordinator Wilma Paton at pray.sicr@gmail.com. For pastoral care or a visit by an Elder or a Minister, contact your Elder or the Church Office.



Interim Moderator

Our Interim Moderator during the vacancy is Rev. James (Jimmy) Brown minister of the English-speaking Christian Congregation (ECC) Bochum, Germany. He can be reached at: j.brown56@gmx.de

Speak out or write it down

Feel free to make remarks or suggestions about anything that happens at SICR. Please speak to an elder, put a written note in the suggestion box, or send an email.

Looking ahead..

Today our third locum, Rev. Derek Lawson will preach his first sermon. He arrived from France last Tuesday with his wife Moira and their (well-behaved) dog. They will be with us for a total of 8 weeks. There will be a further introduction during the Open Spot.

From the Consistory meeting 21st October

Last Tuesday, 21st October, Consistory met and among other things talked about the Church of Scotland procedure to obtain a new minister. More information will follow.

Granddaughter for Ato & Joke Cromwell

On 14th October Sharon Cromwell gave birth to Heavenly Jaela. The grateful grandparents wrote: "May God's awesome blessings be upon her this day and for the future years ahead. May God's blessings never fade in every area of her life!"

"Lessons in Basic Christianity"

This week's session is Lesson 6: *Jesus the Messiah*. There are 13 lessons in total, led by Graham Jardine. Everyone is welcome on Wednesdays from 19.30 to 21.00, even if you did not attend previous lessons.

"MEET YOUR ELDER" SEASON

Every Sunday, before making the announcements, the Elder on duty will introduce him or herself briefly and mention the particular Pastoral Area for which he or she is responsible. This will give you and your area elder the opportunity to make the connection, and get to know each other better.

'010 = 1' 'March to show Unity'

This Thursday, 30th October a broad coalition of churches, civil associations and institutions are organizing a march to demonstrate our unity in diversity. Among the organisations involved is L & R, of which our church is a member.

Wedding Blessing

On Wednesday 22nd October the blessing of the marriage of Patricia Cuvulay and Earl Winfred Brown took place at the sanctuary of the SICR. Unfortunately the groom was taken seriously ill during the party following the blessing and was taken to Erasmus M.C. He had to stay there overnight and was taken home by his bride the next morning. Thank God for His care for us.



LYRICS

Spirit of God (CH4 600)

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 men long, long ago,
gave us the written Word;
we read it still, needing its truth,
through it God's voice is heard.

Spirit of God ...

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.

Spirit of God ...

We sing a love (CH4 622 - Tune: Tell out my soul)

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.

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All earth was dark (MP 8)

1 All earth was dark until You spoke,
then all was light and all was peace.
Yet still, O God, so many wait,
to see the flame of love released.

Lights to the world, O Light of man,
kindle in us a mighty flame,
till every heart, consumed by love,
shall rise to praise Your holy name.

2 In Christ You gave Your gift of life
to save us from the depth of night.
O come and set our spirits free,
and draw us to Your perfect light.

Lights to the world...

3 Where there is fear, may we bring joy,
and healing to a world in pain.
Lord, build Your kingdom through our lives,
till Jesus walks this earth again.

Lights to the world ...

4 O burn in us, that we may burn
with love that triumphs in despair;
and touch our lives with such a fire,
that souls may search and find You there.

Lights to the world ...

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Teach us, Counsellor, Comforter

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Teach us, teach us the language of love
Teach us, Counsellor, Comforter
Teach us, teach us the language of love

Love is kind, love is patient, love is wise
Love is open, ever hopeful
Love abides

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Shalom, my friend

Shalom, my friend,
Shalom, my friend,
Shalom, shalom,
The peace of Christ be with you today,
Shalom, shalom.