

The Scots International Church Rotterdam



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

Sunday 16th November 2014

THE GATHERING

Call to worship

Introit: O for a thousand tongues (Choir)

Welcome & prayer

Praise: Jubilate, everybody (394)

Children's message

Praise: This little light of mine (SSS.88)

THE WORD

Prayer of confession

Bible reading: 1 Thessalonians 5: 1 - 11

Praise: I want to walk (302: v1-3)

Bible reading: Matt 25:14-30

Praise: I want to walk (302: v4-5)

Sermon:

“Are we taking enough risks for God?”

THE THANKSGIVING

Praise: Soldiers of Christ arise (604)

Prayers for others

Praise: Give thanks with a grateful heart (170)

THE SENDING

Anthem: Draw me close to the cross. (Choir)

Announcements

Praise: Who is on the Lord's side? (769)

Benediction and '3-fold' Amen

Call to worship

We are here today for many reasons.

Some of us may be tired, and need a place to rest.

Some may be lonely, and seek relationship.

Some may be afraid, and look for courage.

We are all here to pause on our journey of faith:

to expand our understanding of God, to renew our
commitment to follow in the way of Jesus,
and to be inspired to service through the Holy Spirit.

**It is only in and through God that our needs are met, and
we are here because this is where**

God's presence is celebrated.

Then let us worship God.



Thought for the week

"The biggest risk is not taking any risk ...
In a world that is changing really quickly,
the only strategy that is guaranteed to fail
is not taking risks."

Mark Zuckerberg, Co-founder of Facebook.

The Service today

Preacher: Rev. Derek Lawson

Elder: Kees Knol

Worship Leader: Andre van der Velden

Children's message: Irene Bom

Choir: Andrea Hayter

Organist: Konstanze Hofer

Bible reading: Irene Jardine

Welcome: Mavis Ettienne, Maureen Vollema

Crèche: Licia Knoester, Sofie Rebel

Counting: Bridget Teisman, Emmanuel Asare Awuku

Door: Bob Hensen

Beamer: Jan Dirk Schouten

Hospitality: Leydi Saldarriaga, Ediri Sobotie

Recording: Brendan van der Velden

Flowers: Anna Velders

WHAT'S ON

Wednesday 19th November

10:30 Mamre

19:30 Bible Study

Thursday 20th November

11:30 Voedsel Bank (Lower Hall)

Friday 21st November

19:30 Prayer Meeting

Sunday 23rd November

10:30 Youth & Worship Service

Birthdays

This week, we give our warm congratulations to Denis Galloway (Monday), Eunelda Cairo (Friday) on their birthdays.

Dutch and English lessons

English lessons will temporarily stop. Lessons will begin again on Thursday 8th January.

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.



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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 fourth sermon. He and his wife Moira will be with us for a total of 8 weeks. Rev. Derek can be reached on 06 5716 2778 or derek.lawson@sfr.fr

Youth Service

Sunday 23rd November will be a Youth & Worship Service, which has become an annual feature. It will be wonderful again to hear how our youth express their faith in this service. For more information speak of contact Saskia at 06- 5473 6462 sdorsman@hotmail.com

Christmas Season

The Christmas Season will soon be upon us, as the last Sunday of this month 30th November is already the First Advent. Next Sunday a flyer and poster of our services during the Christmas Season will be available.

Peace Service

The Peace Service last Sunday evening was a very rewarding and moving experience. Clergy, choirs and members from Ethiopian, Eritrean, Holland Methodist, Holy Fire, Russian Orthodox, Wallonian and Urdu Churches took part, mostly

reading or singing in their own languages. The Speaker on 'Faith in Peace' was Kees Bakker, Senior Chaplain, Order of St. Lazarus of Jerusalem. You can listen through the internet via: <http://kerkdienstgemist.nl/assets/1105677-Anual-Peace-Service#.VGN9sFJ0zcs>

"Lessons in Basic Christianity"

This week's session is Lesson 8: '*The Meaning of the Cross*'. 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.

Elder Training

Derek will be holding two evenings of Elder Training which all Elders are urged to attend. These will be on **Tuesdays 2 and 9 December at 19h45.**

Prayer Meeting

Our next Prayer Meeting will be **this Friday, 21 November, at 19h30.** As prayer is an integral part of our Christian life, all who are able are encouraged to attend.

Daily Bread

The devotional "Daily Bread" for December – February is available from the Bookstall.

Lyrics not in Mission Praise

This little light of mine (SSS 88)

This little light of mine,

I'm gonna let it shine.

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I'm gonna let it shine.

This little light of mine,

I'm gonna let it shine,

let it shine, let it shine,

let it shine

