

# **The Scots International Church Rotterdam**



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

**Communion & Worship Sunday 6th December**  
*Second Sunday of Advent*

**The Gathering**

Call to Worship

Introit A rose shall bloom in a lonely place  
(Choir)

Welcome, Opening & Our Lord's Prayer (see below)

Praise: *What child is this* (MP 749)

Children's Message: (incl. Advent song):

***Come, Lord, come***

***Shine your light***

***Come, chase away the darkness***

***Come and bring us Peace***

***Yes, please, Lord***

***Come and bring us Peace***

Praise: *Jesus came for young and old* (SSS 47)

**The Word**

Prayer of Confession

Bible Reading: **Malachi 3: 1 - 5, Luke 3: 1 - 6;**

Praise: *Rejoice, rejoice!* (MP572)

Sermon: "... and John is his Prophet"

**The Thanksgiving**

Offering and dedication

Prayers for others

Anthem Emmanuel (MP 121 by Choir)

Invitation to Communion

Praise: *With all my heart* (MP 772)

Sacrament of Communion



## **The Sending**

Announcements

Praise: *Jesus is Lord* (MP367)

Benediction and '3-fold' Amen

### **Call to worship** (based on Psalm 27)

The Lord is my light and my salvation – whom shall I fear?

**The Lord is the stronghold of my life – of whom shall I be afraid?**

One thing I ask of the Lord, this is what I seek;

**That I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.**

I am still confident of this: I will see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.

**Wait for the Lord; be strong and take heart and wait for the Lord.**

### **Thought for the Week**

*Hatred stirs up dissention,  
but love covers all wrongs.*

Proverbs 10: 12)

### **Agenda for the Week**

#### **Wednesday 9th December**

10:30 Mamre

19:30 Advent Bible Study

#### **Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> December**

10:30 Worship Service

Soup Lunch after the Service

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### The Service Today

Preacher: Martijn Leeftink

Elder: Fred Booman

Communion: Rev. Joost Pot.

Children's message: Rev. Joost Pot

Organist: Jan Hendrik van de Kamp

Bible reading: Bob Hensen

Welcome: Maureen Vollema & Wilma Paton

Crèche: Licia Knoester & Wenli Wan

Counting: Evelyn Koomson & James Essel

Door: Frans van der Meer

Beamer: André van der Velden

Recording: André v.d. Velden

Hospitality: Thomas & William Paton

Flowers: Pam Russell

Closing: **TBA**

### Birthdays



This week, there are no members' birthdays! *Would you like your birthday mentioned?*  
*Inform the Office Team!*

### Support Sunday 13/12 Christmas Stall

For the stall we are looking for donations o.a. Christmas cookies, jams, chutneys, Christmas cake, handmade crafts etc. but also Christmas items that you might have at home in the cupboard and are not planning to use e.g. cards, candles, napkins, etc. and all other Christmas related items. For further information please contact Christine Galloway or Norma Taylor.

Proceeds go to support the Sunday School outing next year.

### **Prayer Requests and Pastoral Care**

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

"William Chapman is very grateful for the cards, telephone calls, e-mails, prayers etc. and wishes to express his thanks".

Give thanks to God for the **Salvesen Trust grant** enabling us to do the roof repair, lightening conductor & manse furnishing!

### **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](mailto:j.brown56@gmx.de)

### **Looking ahead: Locum or Local?**

Rev. Joost Pot will lead the service including communion, while Martijn Leeftink is our guest preacher today. Getting near Christmas our family service on 20/12, will be led by Rev. Irene Bom. From January we have a number of locums lined up.

### **Refugees - AZC Beverwaard**

To help as volunteer [www.Ready2Help.nl](http://www.Ready2Help.nl)  
The prayer and brain storming meetings, organized by SKIN, were very successful.

More info on website and SICR Weekly Update.

*Pray for the people of Beverwaard to be discerning and accept their new arrivals, with understanding, love and compassion!*

### **Mamre Foundation has a new website**

For most members of the congregation Mamre means the weekly (Wednesday) home and a warm meal for Rotterdam's lost and uprooted.

Look at the new website [www.mamre.nl/en/](http://www.mamre.nl/en/)



## **Christmas Programme**



**Sunday 20/12 Family Service:** 10:30;

*Sunday School Party:* 12:30 – 16:00;

*Christmas Tea:* 17:00 -- 18:00;

*Cool Carol Singing in the Cool:* 18:00 – 19:00;

*Carol Service:* 19:30

**Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> Dec.** *Christmas Eve Service*

Joint with Hope Baptist Church

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> Dec.** *Christmas Day Service.*

### **Do you want to become a member of SICR?**

Have you been attending this church and want to become a member? Speak to Rev. Irene Bom or Ato Bob or <mailto:info@scotsintchurch.com>

### **Church of Scotland's online Advent Calendar**

Each day of Advent a Scots minister will post a video window in the spirit of Christmas: <http://churchofscotland.advent-calendar.net/>

### **SICR Weekly Update**

Would you like to receive an update on activities, services, sermons, news etc. @ SICR every Thursday or Friday in your E-mail box?

Then send a mail to: [editor-herald@live.com](mailto:editor-herald@live.com) and you will also receive The Herald-by-Email.

## **Lord's Prayer,**

Our Father, who is in heaven  
Holy be Your name.  
Your kingdom come,  
Your will be done on earth  
as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our debts,  
as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For Yours is the kingdom, and the power  
and the glory forever  
Amen.