

The Scots International Church Rotterdam



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

Worship Sunday 27th December

The Gathering



Call to Worship

Welcome, Prayer of Adoration &

the Lord's Prayer

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

Children's Address

Praise: *Jubilate, everybody* (MP 394)

The Word



Prayer of Confession

Bible Reading:

1 Samuel 2: 18-20, 26; Luke 2: 41-52;

Praise: *Come, thou long-expected Jesus* (MP 102)

Sermon:

"He grew up in favour with God and men"

The Thanksgiving

Praise: *Go, tell it on the mountain* (MP 179)

Offering and dedication

Prayers for others

The Sending



Announcements

Praise: *Christ is surely coming* (MP 75)

Benediction and '3-fold' Amen

Call to worship (based on Psalm 150)

"Praise the Lord in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens."

"Let everything that has breath praise the Lord."

"Praise him for his acts of power and his surpassing greatness."

"Let everything that has breath praise the Lord."

"Praise him with musical instruments."

"Let everything that has breath praise the Lord."



Thought for the Week

"Let love and faithfulness never leave you; then you will win favour and a good name in the sight of God and man."

(Proverbs 3:3, 4)



The Service Today

Minister: Rev. Joost Pot

Elder: Ruud Witte

Children's Address: Rev. Joost Pot

Organist: Netty Dijkstra

Bible reading: **TBA**

Welcome: Carol de Groot & Wisteria Cairo

Crèche: Gwendoline Kayere & Chanté Fleming

Counting: Frans v.d. Meer &

Emmanuel Asare-Awuku

Door: James Essel

Beamer: André van der Velden

Recording: André v.d. Velden

Hospitality: Cindel Fleming

Flowers: Mavis Fleming

Closing: Ruud Witte



Agenda for the Week

Wednesday 30th December

19:30 Advent Bible Study

Sunday 3rd January

10:30 Communion & Worship Service

Mission Offering 3rd January

Our mission offering on Communion Sunday 3rd January will be dedicated to Mamre. Your gifts will enable Mamre to buy what they don't get from the 'Voedselbank'.

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

Looking ahead: Locum or Local?

Today Rev. Joost Pot will preach and lead us on the last Sunday of the year. Our new locum from 3rd January till/incl. 14th February will be Rev. Wiley V. Hughes. He is a Pastor of the Presbyterian Church of America.

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@scotsinchurch.com>

Birthdays

This week, we congratulate Robin Adu-Poku & Brian Essel (Monday), Stanley Chege Murithi (Tuesday), Helena & Jana Brhel/Brhelova (Friday). *Would you like your birthday mentioned? Inform the Office Team!*

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 and you will also receive The Herald-by-Email.

Refugees - AZC Beverwaard

To help as volunteer www.Ready2Help.nl

A follow-up of the meeting, organized by SKIN, is now being planned. Find more info on SKIN 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 needs volunteers

Mamre needs more volunteers to help prepare and serve the weekly (Wednesday) home and a warm meal for Rotterdam's lost and uprooted.

Look at the new website www.mamre.nl/en/ and call / talk to Isaac Dierx 010- 421 2853.



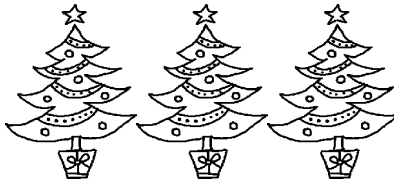
Are you in need of prayer or pastoral care?

Put you requests 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.

For pastoral care or a visit by an Elder or Minister, contact your Elder or the Church Office.



**Thanks for your service during
our Christmas Programme**



Thanks to all who assisted by: Preaching, Playing the Organ, Bible reading, Elders & Deacons duties and Hospitality; Sunday School teachers & volunteers for a wonderful party, for hosting the Christmas Stall, contributing to a (traditional) Christmas Tea, witnessing by singing in the Cool and a festive and meaningful Carol and Christmas Day Service, all celebrating Christ's Birth.

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Lord's Prayer, to be projected at the end of the opening 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.