



Welcome to the

Scots International
Church Rotterdam

a congregation of the
Church of Scotland International Presbytery

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Thought for the Week

This week I want to give you a number of images or metaphors of salvation to ponder. I've taken them from

"The Heart of Christianity" by Marcus Borg:

"Light in our darkness: Jesus is the light of the world.

The satisfaction of our hunger: Jesus is the bread of life.

The quenching of our thirst: Jesus is living water.

Finding the way: Jesus is the way, the door.

Connection to the source of life: Jesus is the vine.

Being born again: Jesus is the path of dying and rising.

New life out of death: Jesus is the resurrection and the life.

Healing: Jesus is the one who makes us whole.

*Entry into God's presence: Jesus is the new temple,
even as he is also the sacrifice."*

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Order of Service

for Sunday 16 October 2016

**including Welcome to International Students
and Young Professionals**

*Call to Worship (congregational parts are **in bold**)*

From the corners of the world,
from the confusion of life,
from the loneliness of our hearts
gather us, O God.
To feed our minds,
to fire our imaginations,
to free our hearts,
gather us, O God.

Introit: **"Wonderful Words of Life"** (Choir)

Welcome

Prayer of Approach

Praise: **In the presence of your people** (CH4 121)

Prayer of Confession – concluding with the Lord's Prayer:

Children's Message

Praise: **Ready, steady, go!**

Blessing on the Children

*The readings for today are to be replaced with the Drama,
but they are:*

	2 Timothy 3:14 – 4:5	(p. 1197)
	Luke 18 : 1 – 8	(p. 1052)

Reflection: **"Guidance on the Journey of Faith"**

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

Drama - Dorcas Nthoki and friends

Reflection: **"A truly odd parable!"**

Praise: **What a friend we have in Jesus** (MP 746)

Offering

Prayer of Dedication

Anthem: **“You are my strength when I am weak”**
(Choir MP 1019)

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Announcements

Prayers for Others - Elder

Praise: **Glorious things of thee are spoken** (MP 173)

Benediction and three-fold Amen

Wednesday’s Bible Study on John’s Gospel

Graham Jardine continues to lead this series on Wednesdays at 7.30 pm. This week’s study – the penultimate - is entitled “The Resurrection” and looks at John 20 : 1 - 31.

Are you in need of prayer or pastoral care?

Or do you know someone who is? Please put your requests in the prayer box on Sundays. Prayers can also be sent via the Prayer Coordinator, Irene Jardine, at pray.sicr@gmail.com
For pastoral care or a visit by an Elder or Minister, contact your Elder, the Church Office or the Minister.

Birthdays

This week we congratulate Mavis Fleming, Annemarie Smith, Johanna Essel, Patricia Ewing, Henny Vermeulen, and Malaika Aboudou on their birthdays. *Would you like your birthday mentioned? Inform the Office Team!*

What’s on the agenda?

Wednesday 19 Oct	Bible Study at 7.30 pm
Friday 21 Oct	Prayer Meeting at 7.30 pm
Saturday 22 Oct	Elders’ Envisioning Day 10 am
Sunday 23 rd Oct	Harvest & Worship Sunday

*Please note that on **Sunday 30 October** Derek will be doing a “pulpit swap” with the **Rev Lance Stone**, the Minister of the English Reformed Church in Amsterdam (a Church of Scotland congregation despite its name!).*

Who’s who Today -

Minister: Rev. Derek Lawson

Elder: Ruud Witte

Children’s message: Ranee Damanik

Organist: Netty Dijkstra

Welcome: Maureen Vollema & Wistaria Cairo

Crèche: Meriam v.d. Velden & Wenli Wan

Deacons-Counting: Ato Cromwell & Ranee Damanik

Door: Bob Hensen

Beamer: Daniel de Jong

Recording: Andre v.d. Velden

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For the Beamer:

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.**

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