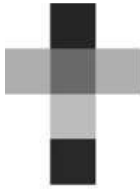


Welcome to the



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Bible Readings for the Coming Week

Monday, January 7: Psalm 72; Daniel 2:1-19; Ephesians 4:17-5:1

Tuesday, January 8: Psalm 72; Daniel 2:24-49; Ephesians 5:15-20

Wednesday, January 9: Psalm 72; Numbers 24:15-19; Luke 1:67-79

Thursday, January 10: Psalm 29; Ecclesiastes 1:1-11; 1 Corinthians 1:18-31

Friday, January 11: Psalm 29; Ecclesiastes 2:1-11; 1 Corinthians 2:1-10

Saturday, January 12: Psalm 29; Ecclesiastes 3:1-15; 1 Corinthians 2:11-16

Prayer for Epiphany

Jesus, may we not hoard but freely give
the gold of our hearts, the myrrh of our grief,
the frankincense of our dreams to you.

Mary Palmer (from *Hay & Sawdust*)

ORDER of SERVICE for EPIPHANY - 6 JANUARY 2019

Worship for Epiphany
including the Sacrament of Holy Communion

Call to Worship (congregational responses *in bold*)

“Arise, Jerusalem, and shine like the sun;
the glory of the Lord is shining on you!

**Other nations will be covered by darkness,
but on you the light of the Lord will shine;
the brightness of his presence will be with you.**

Nations will be drawn to your light,
and kings to the dawning of your new day.

**Look around you and see what is happening:
your people are gathering to come home!**

Your sons will come from far away;
your daughters will be carried like children.

**You will see this and be filled with joy;
you will tremble with excitement.**

The wealth of the nations will be brought to you;
from across the sea their riches will come.

Great caravans of camels will come, from Midian and Ephah.

They will come from Sheba, bringing gold and incense.

People will tell the good news of what the Lord has done!”

Introit (Choir): Emmanuel (MP 121)

**Emmanuel, Emmanuel,
His name is called Emmanuel
God with us, revealed in us
His name is called Emmanuel.**

Welcome

Hymn 248 ‘For my sake and the Gospel’s, go’

Children’s Message

Hymn: We bring him gold

(SSS 95)

Blessing on the Children

Prayer of Praise & Confession *and 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.

Hymn 324 Angels from the realm of glory

Reading: **Ephesians 3: 1 12** (p.1174) and Reflection

Hymn 328 Wise men, they came to look for wisdom

Reading: **Matthew 2: 1 – 12** (p.996) and Reflection

Offering & Prayer of Dedication followed by Church News

Anthem (Choir): Ye gates, lift up your heads on high (CH4 19)

7. Ye gates, lift up your heads on high;
Ye doors that last for aye,
Be lifted up, that so the King
Of glory enter may.

8. The mighty Lord is this;
Ev'n that same Lord that great in might
And strong in battle is.
Ev'n that same Lord that great in might
And strong in battle is.

Alleluia! alleluia! alleluia! alleluia!
alleluia! Amen, amen, amen

9. Ye gates, lift up your heads;
ye doors, doors that do last for aye,
be lifted up, that so the King of glory enter may.

10. The King of glory? who is this?
the Lord of hosts, and none but he,
the King of glory is.
The Lord of hosts, and none but he,
the King of glory is.

Alleluia! alleluia! alleluia! alleluia!
alleluia! Amen, amen, amen

Prayer for Others *Elder*

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Hymn: Within the circle of your friends

(Tune: Repton, CH4 485)

**Within the circle of your friends
you found a place for me.
Beside those whom I often meet
near people whom I've yet to greet
I'm privileged to be, I'm privileged to be.**

**Within your commonwealth of love,
you found a place for me
to listen, heal, disturb or care,**

seek words to sing, find truth to share,
let life be full and free, let life be full and free.

Around the table you prepare,
you found a place for me and mine you'll always be,
where, breaking bread and pouring wine,
you tell us all, 'This means you're mine,
and mine you'll always be, and mine you'll always be.'

Now brother, servant, Saviour, Lord,
I make a place for you.
Called to your feast, among your friends,
and keen to live as God intends,
I come to be made new, I come to be made new.

Prayer & Words of Institution

Prayer of Thanksgiving *beginning:*

May God be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to Christ.**
Let us give thanks to our Redeemer.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Then after the words "... your people here on earth, saying:"

**Holy, holy, holy one, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Glory be to you, O God most high.
Blessed is one who comes in the name of the Saviour.
Hosanna in the highest!**

Then, just before the distribution of the elements:

Jesus, Lamb of God, **have mercy on us.**
Jesus, bearer of our sins, **have mercy on us.**
Jesus, redeemer of the world, **grant us peace.**

Hymn 326 As with gladness men of old

Benediction (Threefold Amen) followed by

Go now in peace

Go now in peace, never be afraid,
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.
Know he will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith and in love.

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.

What's on the agenda?

Wednesday 9 Jan 10h30 Ladies Bible Study

Sunday 13 Jan 10h30 Worship for 1st Sunday after Epiphany

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Church news announced by the Elder 30.12.18

Please take the Order of Service home, so you can refer to it for our activities over the coming weeks and follow the Daily Bible reading shown on the front.

You must have noticed as shown by the beamer, that we have a considerable shortfall on offerings and income against our expenses. Please reconsider what you owe to the Lord.

Right after this Service, we will have Fellowship in the Lower Hall with a Soup and Christmas Pudding Lunch. Come and join us and wish your brothers and sisters in Christ a Happy New Year.

There is a fresh list for Bible Reading and Bringing Flowers for 2019 on the Notice Board.

The Mission Offering as retiring collection will benefit the 'Diaconaal Havenproject' a help to foreign sailors who are hospitalized in Rotterdam after illness or accident on their ships. The project is recommended by the PKN and our Ghana Seamen Association.

Mission Offering January 6th January 2019
Stichting Diaconaal Havenproject Rotterdam
(DHR)

Diaconate Harbour project Rotterdam

The small DHR Foundation was created more than 25 years ago in 1989 on the initiative of a Dutch Seamen's Pastor. DHR works in partnership with the NZR (Nederlandse Zeemanscentrale) and the Provincial Diaconate of the PKN.

The objective of DHR is to do their diaconal duty as Christians assisting sailors from all over the world, whose ship moors in Rotterdam harbour.

The DHR employs Rijk van Lent as diaconal worker, who visits ships and keeps in contact with the Pastors of the various Seamen's Churches in Rotterdam.

He advises and assists ship's crews when a ship is laid up in the harbour and visits hospitalised foreign sailors in hospital.

An Indian Ship's painter falls sick 15 days after signing on. The on-board medication doesn't help and Rotterdam is still fourteen sailing days away. He loses 10 kg in the process. Finally in Rotterdam he is taken to Erasmus MC, where adjusted antibiotics cure him. The DHR diaconal worker brings him Indian food and toiletries till he is sent home. This Mission offering is recommended by the PKN and our Ghana Seamen Association.

*www.diaconaalhavenproject.nl Bank account: NL70 INGB
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