

Welcome to the



**Scots International
Church Rotterdam**

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Bible Readings for the Coming Week

- Monday, April 29: Psalm 122; Esther 7:1-10; Revelation 1:9-20
- Tuesday, April 30: Psalm 122; Esther 8:1-17; Revelation 2:8-11
- Wednesday, May 1: Psalm 122; Esther 9:1-5, 18-23; Luke 12:4-12
- Thursday, May 2: Psalm 30; Isaiah 5:11-17; Revelation 3:14-22
- Friday, May 3: Psalm 30; Isaiah 6:1-4; Revelation 4:1-11
- Saturday, May 4: Psalm 30; Genesis 18:1-8; Luke 14:12-14

A Prayer for Today

Christ who appeared to your disciples
when the doors were shut,
appear to all in the world today
who live their lives behind closed doors. Amen.
(from 'A Procession of Prayers')

**ORDER OF SERVICE FOR SUNDAY
28 APRIL 2019
- the 2nd Sunday of Easter.**

Sunday 28th April 2019
2nd Sunday of Easter

Call to Worship (congregational responses in bold)

We come together in the light of Easter

to hear God's word,

to seek God's will,

and, above all, to respond to God's call.

May our hearts and minds be open to the presence
of the risen Christ here with us today.

Introit – Sonrise:

You have turned my sorrow into joyful dancing

You have turned my sorrow

into joyful dancing

I'm no longer sad

and feeling upset.

I thank you from my heart

And I will never stop

singing your praises,

My Lord and my God.

I will sing and dance,

sing and dance,

sing and dance to the Lord.

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I'll sing and dance,

sing and dance,

sing and dance to the Lord.

Welcome

Prayer of Approach

Hymn 197 As we are gathered, Jesus is here

Children's Message

Hymn When we pray
102)

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When we pray
When we worship
When we love
When we serve
Your Spirit, Lord Jesus
is at work in your Church
helping us follow in your footsteps
making us more like you.

Baptism of Naomi Norah Germaine Christine Jacobs
- during which we'll say the words of **The Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ,
God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated
at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge
the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.

Amen.

(words are at Hymn 628)

and sing – **Hymn 796 The Lord bless you and keep you**

and **Hymn 633 Child of blessing, child of promise**

Blessing on the Children

Prayer of Confession - ending with 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 78

O set ye open unto me the gates of righteousness

Reading: **John 20: 19 - 31** (p.1089)

Reflection: "Moving towards being 'People of the Book'"

Hymn 432 How often we, like Thomas

(Tune: Passion Chorale, No.382)

Reading: **Acts 5: 27 - 32** (p.1097)

Reflection: "Jesus – raised and exalted?"

Hymn 609 Come, living God, when least expected

(Tune: Spiritus Vitae, MP 488)

*Offering -- during which Jan Hendrik and Jaco will play
'Take Seven' by Hans-André Stamm*

Prayer of Dedication

Sonrise: **All heaven declares** (MP14/CH4
426)

There is a redeemer

(MP673/CH4

559)

Church News

Prayer for Others - Elder

Hymn 646 Forth in the peace of Christ we go

Benediction & Three-fold Amen

Next Sunday, 5th May,
we celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion,
then on Sunday 12th May
we'll celebrate Mothers' Day.

*Don't forget - material for inclusion in the next edition of
The Herald should be submitted by 22nd May.*

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 Klazina on her birthday.
Would you like your birthday mentioned? Inform the Office Team!

What's on the agenda?

Sun 5 May 9.15 Journeying through the Bible
– The Pentateuch (Part 1)
10.30 Sacrament of Holy Communion

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Draft Church news announced by the Elder 28.04.19

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.

Please note on our agenda is the following:

There are some openings for Bible Reading or bringing Flowers.

Thanks to all who participated in our Easter Services.

Wasn't it a wonderful joy and blessing to see the church packed to full capacity on Easter morning?

We would like to hear how you appreciated our Easter or other SICR services or activities. Speak or write to the Consistory Clerk and Elder Bob Hensen at the SICR Email address, which you will find in the Order of Service. At your request your message will be handled confidentially.