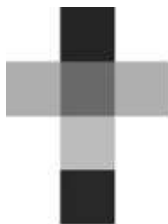


Welcome to the



Scots International Church Rotterdam

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Bible Readings for the coming week

Monday, November 4: Psalm 142; Habakkuk 2:1220; 1 Corinthians 5:913

Tuesday, November 5: Psalm 142; Habakkuk 3:116; Jude 1:521

Wednesday, November 6: Psalm 142; Habakkuk 3:1719; Luke 19:1127

Thursday, November 7: Ps 145:15, 1721; Zechariah 1:117; Acts 22:2223:11

Friday, November 8: Ps 145:15, 1721; Zechariah 6:915; Acts 24:1023

Saturday, November 9: Psalm 145:15, 1721; Haggai 1:115a; Luke 20:18

Order of Service for Sunday 3rd November 2019

**Today is a Communion Sunday -
The table at which we gather is not
the table of any one Church,
but of our Lord, Jesus Christ.**



Holy Communion

Sunday 3 November 2019
Sacrament of Holy Communion

Call to Worship -

The Church gathers in the name of Jesus Christ.

**We come because we have been called
to follow him.**

We come to worship God in his name.

**We come to sing praises and bow down
before him.**

Let us worship in spirit and in truth.

Introit (Choir): **How long o Lord** (Based on Psalm 13)

1. How long, O Lord, will You forget
an answer to my prayer?

No tokens of Your love I see,
Your face is turned away from me;
I wrestle with despair

2. How long, O Lord, will you forsake
and leave me in this way?

When will you come to my relief?
My heart is overwhelmed with grief,
by evil night and day

3. How long, O Lord but You forgive
with mercy from above.

I find that all Your Ways are just,
I learn to praise You and to trust
in Your unfailing love.

Welcome

Hymn 175 Praise, I will praise you, Lord

Prayer of Praise and Approach

Children's Address

Song: Don't complain

(SSS 2014 no 13)

CHORUS:

Don't complain, don't complain
It just makes things even worse.
Look to God, look to God,
and He will give you joy, joy, joy!

1. If you're feeling sad, look to God
If you're feeling bad, look to God
No matter how you're feeling
Look to God,
And He will give you joy, joy, joy!
(Repeat Chorus)

2. If you're feeling cross, look to God
If you're feeling lost, look to God
No matter how you're feeling
Look to God,
And He will give you joy, joy, joy!
(Repeat Chorus)

3. If you're feeling sick, look to God
If you're feeling tricked, look to God
No matter how you're feeling
Look to God,
And He will give you joy, joy, joy!
(Repeat Chorus)

Blessing on the Children

Prayer of Confession Elder

concluding 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.

Reading: **Habakkuk 1: 14; 2: 14** (p. 940)

14 You have made people like the fish in the sea, like the sea creatures that have no ruler.

15 The wicked foe pulls all of them up with hooks, he catches them in his net, he gathers them up in his dragnet; and so he rejoices and is glad.

16 Therefore he sacrifices to his net and burns incense to his dragnet, for by his net he lives in luxury and enjoys the choicest food.

17 Is he to keep on emptying his net, destroying nations without mercy?

1 I will stand at my watch and station myself on the ramparts; I will look to see what he will say to me, and what answer I am to give to this complaint.

The LORD's Answer

2 Then the LORD replied: "Write down the revelation and make it plain on tablets so that a herald may run with it.

3 For the revelation awaits an appointed time; it speaks of the end and will not prove false. Though it linger, wait for it; it will certainly come and will not delay.

4 "See, the enemy is puffed up; his desires are not upright—but the righteous person will live by his faithfulness —

5 indeed, wine betrays him; he is arrogant and never at rest. Because he is as greedy as the grave and like death is never satisfied, he gathers to himself all the nations and takes captive all the peoples.

6 "Will not all of them taunt him with ridicule and scorn, saying, " 'Woe to him who piles up stolen goods and makes himself wealthy by extortion! How long must this go on?'

7 Will not your creditors suddenly arise? Will they not wake up and make you tremble? Then you will become their prey.

8 Because you have plundered many nations, the peoples who are left will plunder you. For you have shed human blood; you have destroyed lands and cities and everyone in them.

9 "Woe to him who builds his house by unjust gain, setting his nest on high to escape the clutches of ruin!

10 You have plotted the ruin of many peoples, shaming your own house and forfeiting your life.

11 The stones of the wall will cry out, and the beams of the woodwork will echo it.

12 "Woe to him who builds a city with bloodshed and establishes a town by injustice!

13 Has not the LORD Almighty determined that the people's labor is only fuel for the fire, that the nations exhaust themselves for nothing?

14 For the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the LORD as the waters cover the sea.

Reflection: *"We can't just wait – we must act!"*

Hymn 542 Lord, speak to me that I may speak

(Tune: Warrington, No.470)

Reading: **Luke 19: 1 – 10** (p. 1053)

1 Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through.

2 A man was there by the name of Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was wealthy.

3 He wanted to see who Jesus was, but because he was short he could not see over the crowd.

4 So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree to see him, since Jesus was coming that way.

5 When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your house today."

6 So he came down at once and welcomed him gladly.

7 All the people saw this and began to mutter, "He has gone to be the guest of a sinner."

8 But Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, "Look, Lord! Here and now I give half of my possessions to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back four times the amount."

9 Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because this man, too, is a son of Abraham.

10 For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."

Reflection: *"Changed by Christ"*

Anthem (Choir): **Cross of Jesus** (from Stainer's Crucifixion)

1. Cross of Jesus, cross of Sorrow, when the blood of Christ was shed, perfect man on thee was tortured, perfect God on thee has bled

2. Here the king of all the ages, throned in light ere worlds could be. Robed in mortal flesh is dying, crucified by sin for me.

3. O mysterious condescending!
O abandonment sublime!
Very God himself is bearing
all the sufferings of time.

4. Evermore for human failure.
By his passion we can plead;
God has born all mortal anguish,
surely he will know our need.

5. This all human thought surpassing,
this is earth's most awful hour,
God has taken mortal weakness!
God has laid aside His power!

Offering & Prayers of Dedication and Intercession

Invitation to the Lord's Table

MP 723 We come as guests invited

(Tune: Passion Chorale)

The Story followed by
Prayer of Thanksgiving
in which after the words "thank you God",

please respond, **“Thank you God.”**

and after the words, “...the Church on earth and in heaven:”

please respond:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory,
hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Then, just before the distribution of the elements, please say:

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy upon us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
have mercy upon us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world,
grant us your peace.**

Sharing of the peace followed by Prayer

Hymn: Revive your church, O Lord

(Tune: Carlisle, No.202)

REVIVE YOUR CHURCH, O LORD

1 Revive your church, O Lord,
in grace and power draw near;
speak with the voice that wakes the dead,
and make your people hear!

2 Revive your church, O Lord,
disturb the sleep of death;
give life to smouldering embers now
by your almighty breath.

3 Revive your church, O Lord,
exalt your precious name;

and by your Holy Spirit come
and set our love aflame.

4 Revive your church, O Lord,
give us a thirst for you,
a hunger for the bread of life
our spirits to renew.

5 Revive your church, O Lord,
and let your power be shown:
the gifts and graces shall be ours,
the glory yours, alone!

Jubilate Hymns version of Revive thy work, O Lord ,
Albert Midlane (1825 1909)
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Benediction
followed by the sung benediction,

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.

*Please stand while the elements are removed
from the church.*

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 Irene, Christine and Elizabeth on their birthdays.

Would you like your birthday mentioned?

Inform the Office Team!

Today's Mission Offering: 'Sint voor Kint'

What's on the agenda?

Sunday 10 Nov 10h30 Service of Remembrance
 19h30 Annual International Peace Service

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Church News for 03.11.19 to be read by the Elder

The **Wednesday Pilgrims Fellowship Group** starts Cycle 3 on 13th November and continues on 20th and 27th November @ 19:45 at Rinus Dekker's.

The **B4theService Bible Study** was held today at 9.15 hrs, and will continuewhen we continue our journey through the Bible looking at the Major Prophets.

Our **Mission Offering** proposed and promoted by the Sunday School will benefit '**Sint voor Kint**'. This is organized by 'Serve the City', whose volunteers helped us with the Garden Wall Mosaic and 'Samen010'.