

Welcome to the



Scots International Church Rotterdam

a congregation of the
Church of Scotland International Presbytery

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Daily Bible Readings for the coming week

Monday 10.08.20	Power of God - Psalms 68
Tuesday 11.08.20	Power of God: Psalms 93, 135
Wednesday 12.08.20:	Praise: Psalms 65
Thursday 13.08.20:	Praise: Psalms 98, 138
Friday 14.08.20:	Prayer: Psalms 17, 20

Thought for this Week

Show me your ways, O Lord,
teach me your paths;
guide me in your truth and teach me,
for you are God my Saviour,
and my hope is in you all day long.

(Psalm 25: v.4,5)

Order of Service for Sunday 9th August 2020 led by the Rev. Joost Pot

The Service Today

Preacher: Rev. Joost Pot

Elder: Raneé Damanik

Children's message: Rev. Joost Pot

Organist: Netty Dijkstra

Bible Reader: Bob Hensen

Beamer: Anthony Evovo

Door: Ruud Witte

Broadcasting & Recording: Stanley Murithi

Sunday 9th August 2020

Call to Worship (from Ps. 105)

Give thanks to the Lord, call on his name;
Make known among the nations what he has done.
Glory in his holy name;
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.
Remember the wonders he has done,
His miracles, and the judgements he pronounced

Welcome and prayer of approach

Praise CH4, 110: Glory be to God the Father (1,4)

1 Glory be to God the Father, glory be to God the Son, glory be to God the Spirit, -- great Jehovah, Three in One! Glory, glory, glory, glory while eternal ages run!	4 Glory, blessing, praise eternal! Thus the choir of angels sings; 'Honour, riches, power, dominion!' Thus its praise creation brings; Glory, glory, glory, glory, glory to the King of kings
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Children's message

Praise SSS 50: Jesus loves me

Jesus loves me, this I know For the Bible tells me so Little ones to Him belong They are weak but He is strong Yes, Jesus loves me Yes, Jesus loves me Yes, Jesus loves me The Bible tells me so.	Jesus loves me, He who died Heaven's gates to open wide He will wash away my sin Let this little child come in. Yes, Jesus loves me Yes, Jesus loves me Yes, Jesus loves me The Bible tells me so.
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Blessing on the children

Prayer of confession
The Lord's Prayer

Bible readings Romans 10: 5 – 15

Romans 10:5-15

5 Moses writes this about the righteousness that is by the law: "The person who does these things will live by them."

6 But the righteousness that is by faith says: "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?' " (that is, to bring Christ down)

7 "or 'Who will descend into the deep?' " (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead).

8 But what does it say? "The word is near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart," that is, the message concerning faith that we proclaim:

9 If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

10 For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved.

11 As Scripture says, "Anyone who believes in him will never be put to shame."

12 For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile—the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him,

13 for, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

14 How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them?

15 And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

Matthew 14:22-33

Jesus Walks on the Water

22 Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowd.

23 After he had dismissed them, he went up on a mountainside by himself to pray. Later that night, he was there alone,

24 and the boat was already a considerable distance from land, buffeted by the waves because the wind was against it.

25 Shortly before dawn Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake.

26 When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. "It's a ghost," they said, and cried out in fear.

27 But Jesus immediately said to them: "Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid."

28 "Lord, if it's you," Peter replied, "tell me to come to you on the water."

29 "Come," he said. Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus.

30 But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, "Lord, save me!"

31 Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. "You of little faith," he said, "why did you doubt?"

32 And when they climbed into the boat, the wind died down.

33 Then those who were in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

Praise CH4, 542: Lord, speak to me (1, 6)

1 Lord, speak to me, that I may speak in living echoes of your tone; as you have sought, so let me seek your erring children lost and lone.	6 O use me, Lord, use even me, just as you will, and when, and where, until at last your face I see, your rest, your joy, your glory share
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Sermon: "Fix your eyes on Jesus"

Praise CH4, 534: Make me a captive, Lord (1, 4)

1 Make me a captive, Lord, and then I shall be free; force me to render up my sword, and I shall conqueror be. I sink in life's alarms when by myself I stand; imprison me within thine arms, and strong shall be my hand.	4 My will is not my own till thou hast made it thine; if it would reach a monarch's throne it must its crown resign; it only stands unbent, amid the clashing strife, when on thy bosom it has leant and found in thee its life.
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Offering and dedication

Bank account : NL62 RABO 0373741006
ING bank a/c no: NL17 INGB 0000 175187

Summary for 02/08/2020

Open plate + via bank	140.05
Envelopes + via bank	1020.00
Coffee money	n/a 0.00
Sunday School	n/a 0.00
Bank (Weekly Avg.)	€583.00
Fixed Rental (Weekly Avg.)	€180.00
Additional Rents (Est. Weekly Avg)	€70.00
	€1,993.05
Average Weekly Expenditure	€1,370.00
Surplus/Deficit	€623.05

Prayers of intercession by elder

Announcements (see page 4-5)

Praise CH4 436: Christ triumphant, ever reigning (1,2,5)

1 Christ triumphant, ever reigning, Saviour, Master, King, Lord of heaven, our lives sustaining, hear us as we sing: <i>Yours the glory and the crown, the high renown, the eternal name</i>	2 Word incarnate, truth revealing, Son of Man on earth! power and majesty concealing by Your humble birth: <i>Yours the glory . .</i>	5 So, our hearts and voices raising through the ages long, ceaselessly upon You gazing, this shall be our song: <i>Yours the glory .</i>
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Benediction 3-fold Amen

Prayer Request & Pastoral Care

Are you in need of prayer or pastoral care
or do you know someone who is?

Please send prayer request to the Prayer Coordinator:
Irene Jardine, at pray.sicr@gmail.com

For pastoral care or a visit from the Minister or an Elder,
contact your Elder, the Church Office or Rev. Irene Bom

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E-mail SICR : info@scotsintchurch.com

Birthdays

We congratulate on their birthdays this week:

Rinus Dekker
Joyce Mensah
Joost Pot
Jean Galloway

Would you like your birthday mentioned? Inform the Office Team!

What's On & Church News

Sunday evenings study programme "Exploring the Psalms" **online get-together** is at 8pm, via zoom. Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/2313008055> [Password: 603796]

Whats On

Sunday 16th August Worship Service led by Bob Hensen & the elder on duty

Sunday 23rd August Worship Service led Rev. Irene Bom

Sunday 30th August Worship led by Rev. Eric Foggitt

New Interim Moderator

Elder Ruud Witte (also our Presbytery elder) informed us during the announcement last week

Sunday 2nd August that Rev. Jan Steyn is no longer our interim moderator.

The Rev. Lance Stone minister of our sister Church of Scotland in Amsterdam ERCA (English Reformed Church Amsterdam) has been appointed our new interim moderator.

He will further guide the Nominating Committee in our search for a new Minister. Many thanks and

God Bless to Rev. Jan Steyn for his services, personal concern and dedication to our congregation.

We therefore say welcome Rev. Dr. Lance Stone, and looking forward to seeing you shortly in SICR.

Future Services Under the Current Restrictions,

Although registration for services is not obligatory, it is however recommended for members, while visitors will be required to register on arrival, providing the necessary/essential particulars.

Sunday 26th July

Thanks to all who attended the Worship Service and the AGM (Annual General Meeting)
Many thanks to Ato Cromwell, Mavis Fleming & Bob Hensen who completed their terms of eldership which is usually 12 years, and so stepped down according to the policy of the Church of Scotland. They will however continue to serve our church in various ways such as counting, door duties etc., plus Bob will continue as Clerk to the Consistory. (The yearly AGM was scheduled for March 22 but unfortunately was cancelled).

SOCIAL DISTANCING PROTOCOL

Version 1.1 approved by Consistory 22 June 2020

INTRODUCTION

With the easing of restrictions services can be attended by up to 100, provided the premises can be configured to enforce social distancing. All other guidance from the government remains in place and should be adhered to. The rules are designed to protect each other from a virus that can reproduce in others, while the victim has no symptoms and shows no outward signs.

The strategy of this protocol is to prepare the environment, cleanse hands on entry, enforce social distancing and clean after departure. If everyone strictly obeys the distancing rules there should be no need to make masks compulsory.

The width of passageways, stairs and aisles do not allow free movement in the church. To maximize our capacity safely, and get near the limit allowed by government regulation, alternate pews have been blocked off and a one way system introduced. Guests will be directed to the side aisles and pews will be occupied in sequence from the front to rear, with a maximum of 5 persons per pew depending on

the size of the household groups. After a pew is occupied people will normally be seated next to the aisles which means that no one can walk in the aisles without violating the 1.5 distance. A few designated mobility/medical positions have therefore been created at the back to allow limited entry and departure during the service. Departure will be in sequence starting from the rear pews and leaving by the side aisles and directed to different exit doors.

Registration

It is advised that churches record all attendees to ensure compliance with capacity and to give immediate information to GGD in the event of someone testing positive with the virus. Registration will be through a web application from which it is hoped to print a standardised presentation list to be checked on entry. Online registration will be encouraged as it will save time when people arrive, and give an accurate indication of attendance. If there is spare capacity available for unexpected non registered guests they must be added to the list with the same information. For tracking and tracing purposes the final presentation list has to be kept securely for 2 months, after which it will be destroyed to comply with data protection rules.

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