



Welcome to the Scots International Church Rotterdam

A congregation of the Church of Scotland International Presbytery

May the Lord bless you as we worship together.

**Sunday 7 March 2021
Third Sunday in Lent**



Jesus cleansing the temple

The story occurs near the end of the Synoptic Gospels: Matthew 21:12-17, Mark 11:15-19, and Luke 19:45-48 and near the start in the Gospel of John 2:13-16.

Something to pray

May our words and thoughts
be always acceptable to you,
may our deeds and actions
be always worthy of you,
and may our lives show forth
your love in the world. Amen.

Something to Celebrate

We congratulate on their birthdays
this week:

Brian van Houdt, Emma de Zanger,
Dorothy Kingsale, Aletia,
Annemarie Fleming, Maxine Fleming,
Cathrine Laverty, and Jeremiah

Online Services only

In the meantime the SICR services will be available online. Go to the church website at www.scotsintchurch.com and click on KERKDIENTST GEMIST

**Our March Mission Offering is for
*STICHTING MA-FLO***

Foundation Ma-Flo

For more information visit www.maflokids.com or see the online SICR Bulletin. You can sign up for the Bulletin by emailing the Church office.
(contact details on the back)

Someone to call



Even though we cannot have our usual chat after the Sunday services we can still contact our church family by phone, and remember, calling via internet can be free of charge. If you don't have someone's phone number, then email the church office on:

info@scotsintchurch.com or
call Bob/Molly (0625 538 320)
our church office

volunteers and they will
figure out for you how you can acquire the
required number.

Daily Devotional Readings

Monday 8	Psalm 84; 1 Kings 6:1-4, 21-22; 1 Corinthians 3:10-23
Tuesday 9	Psalm 84; 2 Chronicles 29:1-11, 16-19; Hebrews 9:23-28
Wednesday 10	Psalm 84; Ezra 6:1-16; Mark 11:15-19
Thursday 11	Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22; Genesis 9:8-17; Ephesians 1:3-6
Friday 12	Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22; Daniel 12:5-13; Ephesians 1:7-14
Saturday 13	Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22; Numbers 20:22-29; John 3:1-13

Welcome & Call to Worship

Call to Worship

Come to my house, a house of prayer
for all the nations.

CH4 63

1. All people that on earth do dwell,
sing to the Lord with cheerful voice.
Him serve with fear, His praise forth tell,
come ye before Him and rejoice.
2. Know that the Lord, is God indeed;
without our aid He did us make;
we are His folk, He doth us feed,
and for His sheep He doth us take.
3. Oh enter then His gates with praise,
approach with joy His courts unto:
praise, laud, and bless His Name always,
for it is seemly so to do.
4. For why? the Lord our God is good,
His mercy is for ever sure;
His truth at all times firmly stood,
and shall from age to age endure.

Psalm 100 The Scottish Psalter 1929

Opening Prayer, Prayer of Confession & 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 forever.
Amen

Children's Message: 'Time to tidy up' by Graham

Nothing's too big big big for His power,
nothing's too little little for His care.
Nothing's too big big big for His power,
nothing's too iddly widdly for His care.

Nothing's too big big big for His power,
nothing's too incy wincy for His care.
Nothing's too big big big for His power,
nothing's too teeny weeny for His care.

[Verse]

He is God of the big, God of the little,
God of the stuff somewhere in the middle.
The King of moving mountains
He loves you more than you will ever know.
(Oh,oh,oh.)

REPEAT ABOVE

[Bridge]

Nothing's too big, nothing's too small,
nothing's too much, He cares for it all. (x3)

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Bible Reading: John 2:13-22

13 When it was almost time for the Jewish Passover, Jesus went up to Jerusalem.
14 In the temple courts he found men selling cattle, sheep and doves, and others sitting at tables exchanging money. 15 So he made a whip out of cords, and drove all from the temple area, both sheep and cattle; he scattered the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. 16 To those who sold doves he said, "Get these out of here! How dare you turn my Father's house into a market!" 17 His disciples remembered that it is written: "Zeal for your house will consume me." 18 Then the Jews demanded of him, "What miraculous sign can you show us to prove your authority to do all this?" 19 Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and I will raise it again in three days." 20 The Jews replied, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and you are going to raise it in three days?" 21 But the temple he had spoken of was his body. 22 After he was raised from the dead, his disciples recalled what he had said. Then they believed the Scripture and the words that Jesus had spoken.

CH4 259 (vs 1, 3, 5)

1. Beauty for brokenness, hope for despair,
Lord, in the suffering this is our prayer.
Bread for the children, justice, joy, peace,
sunrise to sunset your kingdom increase.
*God of the poor, Friend of the weak,
give us compassion, we pray,
melt our cold hearts, let tears fall like rain.
Come, change our love from a spark to a flame.*

3. Refuge from cruel wars, havens from fear,
cities for sanctuary, freedoms to share.
Peace to the killing-fields, scorched earth to green,
Christ for the bitterness, His cross for the pain.
*God of the poor, Friend of the weak,
give us compassion, we pray,
melt our cold hearts, let tears fall like rain.
Come, change our love from a spark to a flame.*

5. Lighten our darkness, breathe on this flame,
until your justice burns brightly again;
until the nations learn of your ways,
seek your salvation and bring you their praise.

God of the poor,...

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Sermon: Authority

Offerings

As we give our offering to Church and to the Mission Offering: 'Ma Flo Kid's Education'
we listen to 'Inspired by love and anger'

CH4 253 (1, 2, 4, 5)

1. Inspired by love and anger,
disturbed by need and pain,
Informed of God's own bias
we ask him once again:
"How long must some folk suffer?
How long can few folk mind?
How long dare vain self interest turn
prayer and pity blind?"

3. 2. From those forever victims
of heartless human greed,
Their cruel plight composes
a litany of need:
"Where are the fruits of justice?
Where are the signs of peace?
When is the day when prisoners
and dreams find their release?"

4. To God, who through the prophets
Proclaimed a different age,
we offer earth's indifference,
its agony and rage:
"When will the wronged be righted?
When will the kingdom come?
When will the world be
generous to all instead of some?"

5. God asks, "Who will go for me?
Who will extend my reach?
And who, when few will listen,
will prophecy and preach?
And who, when few bid welcome,
will offer all they know?
And who, when few dare follow,
will walk the road I show?"

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Dedication of Offerings and Prayers for Others: (Elder)

CH4 189 (This hymn was selected for the Lent Sing and Study)

1. Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One is here;
come bow before Him now
with reverence and fear.
In Him no sin is found,
we stand on holy ground;
be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One is here.

2. Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around;
He burns with holy fire,
with splendour He is crowned.
How awesome is the sight,
our radiant King of light!
Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around.

3. Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place;
He comes to cleanse and heal, to minister His grace.
No work too hard for Him, in faith receive from Him;
be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place.

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Benediction & Three-fold Amen



Sing and Study is a series of studies during the period of Lent 2021 coming to you via Zoom. Please register for a place through info@scotsintchurch.com The virtual meetings continue on Wednesdays at 7.30pm. Each week a well-known song and a special focus will lead us into our study of the gospel reading. All studies are available from the church website.

	Date	Reading	Song	Special focus
1	17 Feb	Mark 1:9-15	Seek ye first	Kingdom of God
2	24 Feb	Mark 8:31-38	O Jesus, I have promised	Disciple
3	3 Mar	John 2:13-22	Be still for the presence	Authority
4	10 Mar	John 3:14-21	I heard the voice of Jesus	Light
5	17 Mar	John 12:20-33	There is a redeemer	Eternal life
6	24 Mar	Mark 11:1-11	All glory, laud and honour	Son of David



Something to think about

How do you deal with all the rubbish in life?
 What gets in the way between you and God?
 How might you begin to clear a path?

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The next **Consistory** meeting will hopefully, be on the 23 March 2021. This is to be confirmed as is the **SICR AGM** which is provisionally planned for the Sunday 28 March 2021. Watch for more details.

Are you in need of prayer or pastoral care?

Or do you know someone who is? Would you like the minister to phone you? Please send in your requests via email, text, phone or PM though the church Facebook page, Contact details below. Prayers can also be sent via the Prayer Coordinator, Irene Jardine, at pray.sicr@gmail.com

Up coming Services

Date	Sermon	Reading
Mar 14	Light	John 3:14-21
Mar 21	Eternal life	John 12:20-33
Mar 28	Palm Sunday Son of David	Mark 11:1-11
April 4	Easter Sunday	John 20:1-18

The Service Today

Minister: Rev. Graham Austin
 Elder: Ruud Witte
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Thought for the Day

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