

**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.

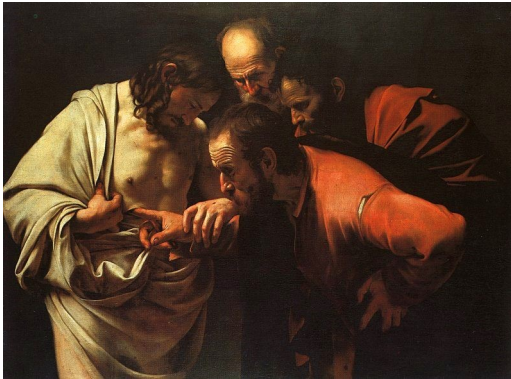
**Sunday 11 April 2021**

We welcome, and pray for,  
Rev Irene Bom as she leads the  
service today.

**Online Services only**

In the meantime the SICR services will be available online. Go to the church website at [www.scotsintchurch.com](http://www.scotsintchurch.com) and click on KERKDIENST GEMIST

*The Incredulity of Saint Thomas*



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**Something to pray**

How joyful it is, to celebrate  
the good news of God's love!  
We are called to be Easter people!  
Darkness cannot claim us!  
Fear cannot bind us!  
Christ is risen!  
Christ is risen, indeed! Amen!

**Something to Celebrate**

This week we congratulate Olaf de Zanger, Tine de Groot-Laban, Gladys Acquah and Frank Knoester on their birthdays. *Would you like your birthday mentioned? Inform the Office Team!*

**Thank you for your giving**

These are difficult times for many, so please don't feel obliged to contribute if you are not able. For those who are able to contribute, thank you for your offering.

The church bank details are:  
NL62 RABO 0373741006  
or NL17 INGB 0000 175187



**Thought for the Day  
by Facebook and WhatsApp**

There will be no daily  
devotions for a week from  
Monday 5 to Sunday 11 April.  
They are back on Monday 12 April



**Daily Devotional Readings**

<b>Monday 12</b>	<b>Psalm 135; Daniel 3:1-30; 1 John 2:3-11</b>
<b>Tuesday 13</b>	<b>Psalm 135; Daniel 6:1-28; 1 John 2:12-17</b>
<b>Wednesday 14</b>	<b>Psalm 135; Isaiah 26:1-15; Mark 12:18-27</b>
<b>Thursday 15</b>	<b>Psalm 4; Daniel 9:1-19; 1 John 2:18-25</b>
<b>Friday 16</b>	<b>Psalm 4; Daniel 10:2-19; 1 John 2:26-28</b>
<b>Saturday 17</b>	<b>Psalm 4; Acts 3:1-10; Luke 22:24-30</b>

**Call to Worship**

*(inspired by Psalm 133, John 20:19-31)*

Christ is risen!

**He is risen indeed.**

Blessed are you who have not seen him,  
yet you truly believe and trust in him.

**See how good and delightful it is  
when Christians gather together as one.**

There the Lord bestows his blessing:

**Even life for evermore.**

**Welcome**

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God is good, we sing and shout it,  
God is good, we celebrate.  
God is good, no more we doubt it,  
God is good, we know it's true. (last time 'Hey!)  
*And when I think of His love for me  
my heart fills with praise  
and I feel like dancing.  
For in His heart there is room for me  
and I run with arms opened wide.*

Graham Kendrick © 1985 Thankyou Music

***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

**Children's Talk: Licia Knoester**

1. He is Lord, he is Lord,  
he is risen from the dead,  
and he is Lord;  
every knee shall bow,  
every tongue confess  
that Jesus Christ is Lord.

Author unknown

**Bible Reading (part 1): John 20:19-23**

19 On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" 20 After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord. 21 Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." 22 And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. 23 If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

Lord, I lift Your name on high;  
 Lord, I love to sing your praises.  
 I'm so glad You're in my life;  
 I'm so glad You came to save us.  
*You came from heaven to earth to show the way,  
 from the earth to the cross, my debt to pay.  
 From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky,  
 Lord, I lift Your name on high.*

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**Bible Reading (part 2): John 20:24-31**

24 Now Thomas (also known as Didymus ), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. 25 So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!" But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe." 26 A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" 27 Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe." 28 Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!" 29 Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed." 30 Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. 31 But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

**Sermon: Becoming Easter people**

1. Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!  
 Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!  
 Heir of salvation, purchase of God,  
 born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.  
*This is my story, this is my song,  
 praising my Saviour, all the day long;  
 this is my story, this is my song,  
 praising my Saviour, all the day long.*

2. Perfect submission, perfect delight,  
 visions of rapture burst on my sight;  
 angels descending bring from above  
 echoes of mercy, whispers of love.  
*This is my story, this is my song,  
 praising my Saviour, all the day long;  
 this is my story, this is my song,  
 praising my Saviour, all the day long.*

3. Perfect submission, all is at rest  
 I in my Saviour am happy and blest,  
 watching and waiting, looking above,  
 filled with His goodness, lost in His love.  
*This is my story, this is my song,...*

Frances Jane Crosby (1820-1915)

**Offerings**

Offering to Church and to the Mission Offering:  
 'Better income for farmers on Java - Indonesia' PKN Kerk in Actie

Dedication of Offerings and  
 Prayers for Others: (Elder)

1. **May the God of hope go with us every day,  
 Filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.  
 May the God of justice speed us on our way,  
 Bringing light and hope to every land and race.  
*Praying, let us work for peace,  
 Singing, share our joy with all,  
 Working for a world that's new,  
 Faithful when we hear Christ's call.***

2. **God will be our Shepherd as we go our way  
 and will not forsake when we go astray.  
 Even though the load of life is hard to bear  
 We must not forget that God is always there.  
*Praying, let us work for peace,...***  
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**Benediction & Three-fold Amen**

**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 through the  
 church Facebook page, Contact details  
 below. Prayers can also be sent via the  
 Prayer Coordinator, Irene Jardine, at  
[pray.sicr@gmail.com](mailto:pray.sicr@gmail.com)



**Someone to call**

Even though we cannot have our  
 usual chat after the Sunday ser-  
 vices 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 of-  
 fice on: [info@scotsintchurch.com](mailto: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.

The **SICR AGM** is postponed  
 until further notice.

**Up coming Services**

Date	Sermon	Reading
Apr 18	Mixed emotions	Luke 24:36-49
Apr 25	Preacher: Irene Bom The Good Shpeherd	John 10:11-18
May 2	The true vine	John 15:1-8

**The Service Today**

Minister: Rev. Irene Bom  
 Elder: Emmanuel Asare Awuku  
 Organist: Jan Hendrik van de Kamp  
 Children's message: Licia Knoester  
 Vocalist: Anneke Pot  
 Bible Reader: Bob Hensen  
 Beamer & Live Streaming:  
 Anthony & Daniel  
 Flowers: George Ross - remembering  
 that 6th April would have been George and  
 Will's 60th wedding day celebration.

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