



The most notorious road in the world is the Via Dolorosa, "the Way of Sorrows."

According to tradition, it's the route Jesus took from Pilate's hall to Calvary. The path is marked by stations frequently used by Christians for their devotions—each one a reminder of the events of Christ's final journey. No one actually knows the exact route Jesus followed that Friday. But we do know where the path began. In heaven.

Jesus began his journey when he left his home in search of us. The Bible has a word for this quest: reconciliation. "God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself" (2 Cor. 5:19 NKJV). Reconciliation restitches the unravelled, reverses the rebellion, and rekindles the cold passion. Reconciliation touches the shoulder of the wayward and woos him homeward.

The path to the cross tells us exactly how far God will go to call us back.

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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 20 June 2021

In-person services

Welcome, if you are in church today for the in-person services. The number has been increased to 60 plus helpers. We would asked that you register through the church website to ensure a place on Sunday.

Please follow the various instructions in place for your safety.

Thank you.

Online Services

Go to the church website at www.scotsintchurch.com and click on KERKDIENTST GEMIST

Sing and Study Bible Study

6 Zoom studies on Romans 8 continues on **Wednesday 23 June at 7.30pm.**

To participate and receive a Zoom link please contact the church either through Facebook, WhatsApp or email—contact details on the back page.

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



Thought for the Day by Facebook and WhatsApp

If you would like a Daily Devotion by mobile phone, then join the 'Thought for the day' WhatsApp group by texting: 06 3059 9641



Something to Pray

Into the world of mixed-up thoughts, mixed-up values, mixed-up ways, we take ourselves and our belief in you, Lord God. Give us a vision of the way we should go, of the paths we should take, of the words we should speak, and of the deeds we should do. Amen.

Something to Celebrate

This week we congratulate Ruth Vissia, Precious Juliet Okoro Tiyjudy, Rignalda Fleming and Nnamdi Luther Koka 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

Someone to call

Keep in touch by phone email text letter

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.

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Today's Worship Team

Minister: Rev Graham Austin
Elder: Molly Foster
Organist: Netty Dijkstra
Children's message: Graham Austin
Vocalist: Anneke Pot
Bible Reader: Ruud Witte
Collection & Counting: duty Elder
Beamer & Live Streaming: Lina & Rizal Sebastian
Welcoming & Registration: Joke Cromwell & Ato Bob
Flowers arranged by: Bridget Teisman

Up coming Services

Date	Sermon	Reading
June 27	Rags to riches	2 Cor. 8:7-15
July 4	'When I am weak, then I am strong'	2 Cor. 12:2-10
July 11	A tragic death	Mark 6:14-29

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Daily Devotional Readings

Monday 21	Psalm 119:113-128; 1 Samuel 18:6-30; Acts 27:13-38
Tuesday 22	Psalm 119:113-128; 1 Samuel 19:1-7; Acts 27:39-44
Wednesday 23	Psalm 119:113-128; 1 Samuel 19:8-17; Mark 6:45-52
Thursday 24	Psalm 130; 1 Samuel 19:18-24; 2 Corinthians 7:2-16
Friday 25	Psalm 130; 1 Samuel 20:1-25; 2 Corinthians 8:1-7
Saturday 26	Psalm 130; 1 Samuel 20:27-42; Luke 4:31-37

Welcome

Call to worship

The LORD is a stronghold for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble. And those who know your name put their trust in you, for you, O LORD, have not forsaken those who seek you. Sing praises to the LORD, who dwells in Zion. Declare his deeds among the peoples. (Psalm 9:9-11)

CH4 130

1. Ye servants of God,
your Master proclaim,
and publish abroad
His wonderful name;
the name all-victorious
of Jesus extol;
His kingdom is glorious,
and rules over all.

2. God ruleth on high,
almighty to save;
and still He is nigh,
His presence we have;
the great congregation
His triumph shall sing,
ascribing salvation
to Jesus the King.

3. 'Salvation to God
who sits on the throne',
let all cry aloud,
and honour the Son:
the praises of Jesus
the angels proclaim,
fall down on their faces,
and worship the Lamb.

4. Then let us adore,
and give Him His right:
all glory and power,
all wisdom and might,
all honour and blessing,
with angels above,
and thanks never-ceasing,
and infinite love.
Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Prayer of Approach, Confession and 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 Talk: 'Magnets' Graham Austin

I want to do the right thing
deep down in my heart (repeat)

*I say deep, deep, I say down, down
deep down in my heart (repeat)*

I want to love my neighbour...
I want to say I'm sorry...

MP 495 (vs 1-3, 5)

1. O for a heart to praise my God,
a heart from sin set free,
a heart that always feels thy blood
so freely shed for me.

2. A heart resigned, submissive, meek,
my great Redeemer's throne;
where only Christ is heard to speak,
where Jesus reigns alone.

3. A humble, lowly, contrite heart,
believing, true, and clean;
which neither life nor death can part
from Him that dwells within.

5. Thy nature, gracious Lord, impart,
come quickly from above;
write Thy new name upon my heart,
Thy new, best name of Love.
Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Bible Reading: 2 Corinthians 6:1-13

1 As God's co-workers we urge you not to receive God's grace in vain. 2 For he says, "In the time of my favour I heard you, and in the day of salvation I helped you." I tell you, now is the time of God's favour, now is the day of salvation. 3 We put no stumbling block in anyone's path, so that our ministry will not be discredited. 4 Rather, as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: in great endurance; in troubles, hardships and distresses; 5 in beatings, imprisonments and riots; in hard work, sleepless nights and hunger; 6 in purity, understanding, patience and kindness; in the Holy Spirit and in sincere love; 7 in truthful speech and in the power of God; with weapons of righteousness in the right hand and in the left; 8 through glory and dishonour, bad report and good report; genuine, yet regarded as impostors; 9 known, yet regarded as unknown; dying, and yet we live on; beaten, and yet not killed; 10 sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; poor, yet making many rich; having nothing, and yet possessing everything. 11 We have spoken freely to you, Corinthians, and opened wide our hearts to you. 12 We are not withholding our affection from you, but you are withholding yours from us. 13 As a fair exchange—I speak as to my children—open wide your hearts also.

Sermon: 'The day of salvation'

We give our offerings to God for the Church and the Mission Offering:
SIM Doro Clinic South Sudan as we listen to 'Sisters and brothers'

Sisters and brothers,
Let us love one another
We are born of God, born to love.

Love deeply
Love like Jesus loves us
Deeply, from the heart.
Irene Bom

Dedication of Offerings and Prayers for Others: (Elder)

CH4 622 (vs 1-3, 5)

1. We sing a love that sets all people free,
that blows like wind,
that burns like scorching flame,
enfolds like earth,
springs up like water clear:
come, living love, live in our hearts today.

3. We sing a love, unflinching, unafraid
to be itself, despite another's wrath,
a love that stands alone and undismayed:
come, strengthening love,
live in our hearts today.

2. We sing a love that seeks another's good,
that longs to serve
and not to count the cost,
a love that, yielding, finds itself made new:
come, caring love, live in our hearts today.

5. We sing the Holy Spirit, full of love,
that seeks out scars of ancient bitterness,
brings to our wounds
the healing grace of Christ:
come, radiant love, live in our hearts today.
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Benediction & Three-fold Amen