



# 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 15th August 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 ask that you register through the church website to ensure a place on Sunday. Please follow the various instructions in place for your safety.

**If you have issues registering contact the minister or church office.** Thank you.

### Live stream Services

Go to the church website at  
[www.scotsintchurch.com](http://www.scotsintchurch.com)  
and click on KERKDIENT GEMIST

### Welcome

Next week Sunday the 22nd we welcome to the service Mr David Lloyd from St Andrew's Church of Scotland, Brussels

### Taking Part - Being Part

Would you like to participate in the church service? Be a reader, present a children's talk, be a welcomer, bring flowers, serve after service refreshments? Would you like to help around the building? Help open up, welcome, clean. **There are lots of ways to be involved.** Email the office if you are interested.

### Something to Pray

God of all joy, we go out into your world with our hearts beating to the tune of your music.

Help us to find new songs in all we do, and to share our joy in you with everyone around us.

Praise be to you, most blessed Lord. Amen.

# SICR

## Summer Club

Please note that there will be no Summer Club on Sunday 22 August.

### 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)

### Something to Celebrate

This week we congratulate Jean, Beverly and David 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

### Daily Devotional Readings

<b>Monday 16</b>	<b>Psalm 101; 1 Kings 3:16-28; Acts 6:1-7</b>
<b>Tuesday 17</b>	<b>Psalm 101; 1 Kings 7:1-12; Acts 7:9-16</b>
<b>Wednesday 18</b>	<b>Psalm 101; 1 Kings 8:1-21; Mark 8:14-21</b>
<b>Thursday 19</b>	<b>Psalm 84; 1 Kings 4:20-28; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11</b>
<b>Friday 20</b>	<b>Psalm 84; 1 Kings 4:29-34; Romans 13:11-14</b>
<b>Saturday 21</b>	<b>Psalm 84; 1 Kings 5:1-12; Luke 11:5-13</b>

## Welcome

### Call to worship

*The Lord is loving and gracious, worthy of worship  
with all of our hearts,  
with all of our minds,  
with all of our strength.  
You are a great God,  
and worthy of our praise. Amen.*

#### CH4 4

1. How excellent in all the earth,  
Lord, our Lord, is thy name!  
who hast thy glory far advanced  
above the starry frame.
2. When I look up unto the heavens,  
which thine own fingers framed,  
unto the moon, and to the stars,  
which were by thee ordained;
3. Then say I, What is man, that he  
remembered is by thee?  
Or what the son of man, that thou  
so kind to him should'st be?
4. Congregational singing  
For thou a little lower hast  
him than the angels made;  
With glory and with dignity  
thou crowned hast his head.

Scottish Psalter 1929

### *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.
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### Children's Talk: 'A Misunderstanding'

#### Congregational singing

My God is so big, so strong and so mighty,  
there's nothing that He cannot do. (repeat)  
The rivers are His, the mountains are His,  
the stars are His handiwork too.  
My God is so big, so strong and so mighty,  
there's nothing that He cannot do.

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### Bible Reading: John 6:51-58

51 I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world." 52 Then the Jews began to argue sharply among themselves, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" 53 Jesus said to them, "Very truly I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. 54 Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise them up at the last day. 55 For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. 56 Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me, and I in them. 57 Just as the living Father sent me and I live because of the Father, so the one who feeds on me will live because of me. 58 This is the bread that came down from heaven. Your ancestors ate manna and died, but whoever feeds on this bread will live forever."

1. We turn to God when  
we are sorely pressed ;  
we pray for help,  
and ask for peace and bread ;  
we seek release from illness,  
guilt, and death :  
all people do, in faith or unbelief.

2. We turn to God when  
he is sorely pressed,  
and find him poor, scorned,  
without roof and bread, bowed  
under weight of weakness, sin, and death:  
faith stands by God  
in his dark hour of grief.

Congregational singing

3. God turns to us when we are sorely pressed,  
and feeds our souls and bodies with his bread ;  
for one and all Christ gives himself in death :  
through his forgiveness sin will find relief.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer (1906-1945) © Church Hymnary Trust

**Sermon ‘A Bread to eat’**

As we listen and reflect we give our offerings to God: for the Church and the Mission  
Offering Rabigarana Ministries Rwanda, (an International Presbytery Project)

**Dedication of Offering**

CH4 488

1. Teach us, O loving heart of Christ  
what only love can say:  
'Father, forgive' and still forgive  
the blindness of our way.

3. We have not found your way of peace,  
though lack of peace is death:  
we have not fed with word or bread  
the hungry of the earth.

2. Torn is the world you came to save,  
it bleeds from hands and side:  
slow is your Church to bear the scars  
of suffering love that died.

Congregational singing  
4. Christ in whose hands were thrust the nails,  
who yet for us could pray:  
forgive the things we have not done,  
the words we do not say.

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**Prayer for Others**

CH4 167

1. Guide me, O thou great Jehovah  
pilgrim through this barren land;  
I am weak, but Thou art mighty,  
hold me with Thy powerful hand:  
Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven,  
feed me now and ever more, (x2)

2. Open now the crystal fountain  
whence the healing stream doth flow;  
let the fire and cloudy pillar  
lead me all my journey through:  
strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer,  
be Thou still my strength and shield, (x2)

Congregational singing

3. When I tread the verge of Jordan  
bid my anxious fears subside!  
Death of death, and hell's destruction,  
land me safe on Canaan's side!  
Songs of praises, songs of praises,  
I will ever give to Thee, (x2)

William Williams (1717-1791)

**Benediction & Three-fold Amen**



**THE BREAD OF LIFE**

You know, the grain-to-bread process is a demanding one. Bread is the end result of planting, harvesting, and heating. Jesus endured an identical process. He was born into this world. And then He was cut down, bruised, and beaten on the threshing floor of Calvary. He passed through the fire of God’s wrath, for our sake. Jesus *“suffered because of others’ sins ... He went through it all— was put to death and then made alive— to bring us to God”* (1 Peter 3:18 MSG).

Bread of Life? Jesus lived up to the title. But you know, an unopened loaf does a person no good. Have you received the bread? Have you received God’s forgiveness?

**Upcoming services**

There are a number of special services which are in the planning stages and so subject to change. Please pray as people plan and prepare for them.

29th August: **Start Sunday** to commit the new season/activities to God.

(Hopefully followed by a church family barbecue)

5th September: **Family Service: ‘Bible Rocks’**

26th September: **Memorial service**

This is to remember the members of SICR and others who died during the pandemic.

This service will be followed by **AGM**

3rd October **Harvest Service**

14 November **Remembrance Service**

21st November: **Youth Service**

**The Service Today**

Preacher: Rev. Graham Austin  
 Elder: Fred  
 Organist: Netty  
 Children’s message: Virginia  
 Vocalist: Anneke

Bible Reader: Maaike  
 Counting: Fred & Frieda  
 Beamer & Live Streaming: Dee & Ricky  
 Welcoming & Registration: Bob & Joke  
 Flowers: Azmi  
 Hospitality: Maaike

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Next Sunday	Sermon	Reading
August 22	Preacher David Lloyd The armour of God	Ephesians 6:10-20