



# 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 26th September 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 KERKDIENTST GEMIST

### Something to Pray

Eternal God, you hold all souls in life. I praise you for those who have shared this earthly life with me, and have entered into eternal life with you. Especially, I thank you for (**add name**), for all that made her/him special, all that you gave her/him and accomplished in her/him, all that she/he meant to me who knew and loved her/him.

### 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 Sinead, Shanon and Marion on their birthdays.

Would you like your birthday mentioned?  
Inform the Office Team

### Memorial Service

Today we remember those whom we have loved and lost - During the service, as each name is read out, a candle will be lit in their memory. May you know in the dark that God is the light.

### Today's service will be followed by the AGM

Next week  
'Communion'

## We are OPEN

The SICR is open on  
Fridays from 1:30pm until 4:30pm.

Come and enjoy  
a refreshment and a chat

### Taking Part - Being Part

Thank you to all who added their names to the various 'sign up' sheets in the Lower Hall.

### LAST CHNACE TODAY

Someone will be in touch in due course.  
Do you want to make yourself available?  
Then email the office - Thank you

### 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 27</b>	<b>Psalm 140; Esther 4:1-17; 1 Peter 1:3-9</b>
<b>Tuesday 28</b>	<b>Psalm 140; Esther 5:1-14; 1 John 2:18-25</b>
<b>Wednesday 29</b>	<b>Psalm 140; Esther 8:1-17; Matthew 18:6-9</b>
<b>Thursday 30</b>	<b>Psalm 26; Job 2:11-3:26; Galatians 3:23-29</b>
<b>Friday 1</b>	<b>Psalm 26; Job 4:1-21; Romans 8:1-11</b>
<b>Saturday 2</b>	<b>Psalm 26; Job 7:1-21; Luke 16:14-18</b>

## Welcome

### Call to worship

Leader: Do you not know? Have you not heard?

*Response: The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth.*

Leader: He will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding no one can fathom.

*Response: He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak.*

Leader: Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall;  
but those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength.

*Response: They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary,  
they will walk and not be faint.*

(Isaiah 40:28-31)

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1. Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;  
the darkness deepens; Lord with me abide.  
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,  
help of the helpless, O abide with me.

2. Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;  
earth's joys grow dim; its glories pass away;  
change and decay in all around I see;  
O Thou who changest not, abide with me.

4. I fear no foe with Thee at hand to bless;  
ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.  
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?  
I triumph still, if Thou abide with me.

### Congregational Singing

5. Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes;  
shine through the gloom and point me to the skies.

Heaven's morning breaks,  
and earth's vain shadows flee;  
in life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

Henry Francis Lyte (1793-1847)

### 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: 'Don't forget to remember'

### Congregational Singing

Wide, wide as the ocean  
high as the heaven above  
deep, deep as the deepest sea  
is my Saviour's love.

I, though so unworthy,  
still am a child of His care,  
for His word teaches me  
that His love reaches me everywhere.

As we listen and reflect we give our offerings to God for the Church and the Mission Offering

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1. Will your anchor hold in the storms of life,  
when the clouds unfold their wings of strife?  
When the strong tides lift and the cables strain,  
will your anchor drift, or firm remain?

*We have an anchor that keeps the soul  
steadfast and sure while the billows roll;  
fastened to the Rock which cannot move,  
grounded firm and deep in the Saviour's love!*

2. Will your anchor hold in the straits of fear,  
when the breakers roar and the reef is near?  
While the surges rage, and the wild winds blow,  
shall the angry waves then your bark o'erflow?

*We have an anchor that keeps the soul  
steadfast and sure while the billows roll;  
fastened to the Rock which cannot move,  
grounded firm and deep in the Saviour's love!*

3. Will your anchor hold in the floods of death,  
when the waters cold chill your latest breath?

On the rising tide you can never fail,  
while your anchor holds within the veil.

*We have an anchor...*

4. Will your eyes behold  
through the morning light

the city of gold and the harbour bright?  
Will you anchor safe by the heavenly shore,  
when life's storms are past for evermore?

*We have an anchor...*

Priscilla Jane Owens (1829-1907)

### Dedication of Offering

Bible Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:19-23, 35-38, 42-44, 50, 53-55, 57-58

If it is for this life only that Christ has given us hope, we of all people are most to be pitied. But the truth is, Christ was raised to life – the firstfruits of the harvest of the dead. For since it was a man who brought death into the world, a man also brought resurrection of the dead. As in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be brought to life; but each in proper order: Christ the firstfruits, and afterwards, at his coming, those who belong to Christ. But you may ask, how are the dead raised? In what kind of body? What stupid questions! The seed you sow does not come to life unless it has first died; and what you sow is not the body that shall be, but a bare grain, of wheat perhaps, or something else; and God gives it the body of his choice, each seed its own particular body. So it is with the resurrection of the dead: what is sown as a perishable thing is raised imperishable. Sown in humiliation, it is raised in glory; sown in weakness, it is raised in power; sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body.

What I mean, my friends, is this: flesh and blood can never possess the kingdom of God, the perishable cannot possess the imperishable. This perishable body must be clothed with the imperishable, and what is mortal with immortality. And when this perishable body has been clothed with the imperishable, and our mortality has been clothed with immortality, then the saying of scripture will come true: 'Death is swallowed up; victory is won!' 'O Death, where is your victory? O Death, where is your sting?' But thanks be to God! He gives us victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my dear friends, stand firm and immovable, and work for the Lord always, work without limit, since you know that in the Lord your labour cannot be lost.

### Sermon 'Remembering'

1. Hear our prayer, We are Your children  
And we've gathered here today  
We've gathered here to pray  
Hear our cry (O Lord), we need Your mercy  
And we need Your grace today  
Hear us as we pray

*Our Father, who art in Heaven  
Hallowed be Thy name  
Our Father, hear us from Heaven  
Forgive our sins we pray*

2. Hear our song as it rises to Heaven  
May Your glory fill the earth

As the waters cover the sea  
See our hearts and remove anything  
That is standing in the way  
Of coming to You today

*Our Father...*

Though we are few we're surrounded by many  
Who have crossed that river before  
And this is the song we'll be singing forever  
Holy is the Lord, holy is the Lord (x4)

*Congregational Singing*

3. Hear our prayer we are Your children...  
*Our Father..*

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The Remembrance of Names  
Lighting a Candle

Prayer with response

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*Prayer*  
Be still and know that I am God. (x3)  
*Prayer*  
I am the Lord that health thee. (x3)  
*Prayer*  
In thee, O Lord, I put my trust. (x3)



Service continues overleaf

## Prayer for Others

1. Amazing grace! how sweet the sound  
that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now I'm found,  
was blind but now I see.

his word my hope secures;  
he will my shield and portion be  
as long as life endures.  
*My chains are gone,...*

2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
and grace my fears relieved;  
how precious did that grace appear,  
the hour I first believed!  
*My chains are gone, I've been set free.  
My God, My Saviour has ransomed me.  
And like a flood his mercy reigns.  
Unending love, amazing grace.*

*Congregational Singing*  
*My chains are gone,...(repeat)*

4. The earth shall soon dissolve like snow,  
the sun forbear to shine;  
but God, who called me here below,  
will be forever mine. (x3)

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3. The Lord has promised good to me,

## Benediction & Three-fold Amen

Leave knowing that the God of all comfort draws near and walks alongside you.

"It is the Lord who goes before you. He will be with you;  
he will not leave you or forsake you. Do not fear or be dismayed." Deuteronomy 31:8

### 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.

3rd October	<b>Communion</b>
10th October	<b>Harvest Thanksgiving Service</b>
14 November	<b>Remembrance Service</b>
21st November:	<b>Youth Service</b>
12th December:	<b>Sunday School Nativity Service</b>

### Today's Worship Team

Preacher: Graham Austin

Elder: Ruud

Bible Reader: Azmi

Organist: Gertine

Children's message: Graham

Vocalist: Raneë

Singing group: Marten, Mikayla, Malcolm  
and Sofia

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Beamer & Live Streaming: Ricky and Dee

Welcoming & Registration: Bob & Joke

Flowers by: Rinus

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Date	Sermon	Reading
3 October Communion	A Mark of Mission	