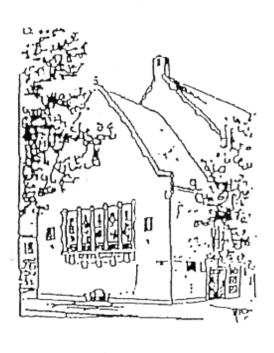
The Scots International Church Rotterdam



Schiedamsevest 121, Rotterdam Services every Sunday at 10.30 am

Sunday 6th October 2013

THE GATHERING

Call to worship

Introit: "Give me a clean heart" - the Choir

Prayer & welcome

Praise: Jesus is Lord (367)

Children's message

Praise: God is so good

THE WORD

Prayer of confession

Bible reading: 2 Timothy 1 (p. 1195)

Praise Beauty for brokenness (806)

God forgave my sin (181)

Sermon: "Guard the Gospel"

THE THANKSGIVING

Offering and dedication

Praise: We come as guests invited (723)

Sacrament of Communion

Prayers for others

THE SENDING

Anthem: "You are mine" – the Choir

Announcements

Praise: Our God reigns (249)

Benediction & 'three-fold' Amen

Call to worship (based on Psalm 24)

Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors! that the King of glory may come in.

Who is the King of glory? The Lord, strong and mighty, The Lord, mighty in battle.

Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors! that the King of glory may come in.

Who is this King of glory? The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.

Thought for the week

The Gospel begins and ends with what God is – not with what we want or think we need."

(Tom Houston)

The Service today

Preacher: Rev. Robert Calvert Elder: George Airomwanbor Organist: Netty Dijkstra Choir: Anneke Pot

Children's message: Bob Hensen Bible reading: Lesley-Ann Calvert Welcome: Wisteria Cairo, Emmanuel Asare

Crèche: Marcel & Veronica Kind Counting: Frieda Enow, Janine Kooy

Door: Anthony Evovo Beamer: Eugene Ng

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WHAT'S ON

Monday

19.15 Old Testament survey (Church house)

Tuesday

- 10.00 Book group for mothers (Crèche room)
- 10.00 Mosaic workshop (Church house)
- 19.45 Council meeting (Lower Hall)

Wednesday

- 10.30 Dutch language classes (Church house)
- 10.30 Mamre (Lower Hall)
- 19.00 Mosaic workshop (Church house)
- 19.00 "Alpha course" (Church house)

Thursday

- 09.00 English language class (Church house)
- 11:30 Voedsel Bank (Lower Hall)

Sunday

10.30 Worship, Sonrise, George Airomwanbor

Birthdays

We offer our warm congratulations to Cara Taylor (today), Edwin Etienne (Wednesday), Felix Brits (Friday), Ann Schuursma (Saturday) and Flora v.d. Zwaan (Sunday) on their birthdays this week.

Congratulations!

We celebrate & give thanks today for two events that took place in the early hours of last Sunday morning...

- the birth of a son, Andil Cai, to Fayola (Cairo) and Benno Aboudou, a brother for Malaika
- the successful summit of Mt. Kilimanjaro, Africa's highest peak, by Lesley-Ann Calvert and Evangeline Gnanaraj

Plastic tubs

We would like to have a store of 'throw-away' plastic containers in the church kitchen for occasions when we have food left over. In this way we can distribute any left-over food rather than throw it away. Donations of (say 500g) used plastic margarine tubs and lids can be made any Sunday into a box in the kitchen.

Presbytery of Europe

Next weekend Robert Calvert and Ruud Witte will attend the Presbytery meeting in Geneva. Reps from congregations across Europe and beyond are involved. Pray for the churches in Amsterdam, Lisbon and Colombo (Sri Lanka) who are without a minister.

Alpha Course

We have just begun a new "Alpha Course" on Wednesday evenings. Last week we had a delicious meal and there was still plenty to spare! So why not come for dinner from 19.00? The presentation this week is on "Why did Jesus die?" We finish by 21.15.

Communion

In the communion service today, believers in Christ and their families are invited to come forward. What we call 'the common cup' contains wine while individual cups contain grape juice. The elders serving the bread and wine say "The Body of Christ, broken for you" and "The Blood of Christ, shed for you" as a reminder of the mystery of receiving Christ at the heart of the communion service.

Dates for your agenda

- SKIN Members' meeting 19 October in Utrecht 12.00-16.00 (see noticeboard)
- GKIN (Indonesian Churches) Conference in the Hague 10.00 – 16.00 (where our pastor is one of the speakers – see noticeboard)
- International Peace Service Sunday 10 November 19.30 here at Scots International

Language learning?

There are places at the 09.00 group on Thursdays. For more information, see Pam Russell: 010 5914959

If you like to learn Dutch, let us know as classes are available on Wednesdays.

Old Testament Class

On Monday evenings, through Tyndale Theological Seminary, we are offering a class on the "Old Testament Survey." The class takes place at 19.15 on every Monday from 16 September to 16 December. The lecturer is Robert Langdon and registration forms are available with details of costs and how to register.

Mission Offering

The mission offering taken up after the service today will be dedicated to Stichting Ethio-Berhan. Gifts will sponsor girls in their education and development. This is in support of the work of Dr. Jember Teferre who was here last week from Addis Ababa.

Buy a CD for Ethiopia!

The "Send a friend" CD is available at the bookstall and raises funds for the Ethio-Berhan Foundation.

Small (book) group for mothers

We welcome all mothers who want to discuss the joys and challenges of motherhood. We want to do this over 8 mornings, using the Christian book "Mom... and loving it!" which discusses themes like 'time for your family', 'coping with anger' and 'the influence of the media'. If you want to participate, we can send you a copy of the book. We are planning to have the first meeting this Tuesday morning 8 October (09.30–11.00) in the crèche room. All are welcome! Contact person is J. Glebocka justynaglebocka@gmail.com

Safety in the church

We are committed to good practice to safety in the church. We have an elder or deacon at the door throughout the service and we are Child Protection scheme for safeguarding of young people. Further info from Harmen Rebel (emergency procedures), Veronica Leerdam (child protection).

The Garden Wall Mosaic

Everyone is welcome to the Attic Studio to work on: Tuesdays 10:00 - 15:00 and Wednesdays 19:30 - 22:30. For more info, contact Andre van der Velden (0653641271) or Wilma Paton (0616236652). See progress on www.facebook.com/thegardenwallmosaic

Church Prayer meeting

The congregational prayer night is on the third Friday of every month at 19.30 – so join us on 18 October.

Council meeting

There is a meeting of the church Council for deacons and elders in the Lower Hall on Tuesday at 19.45.