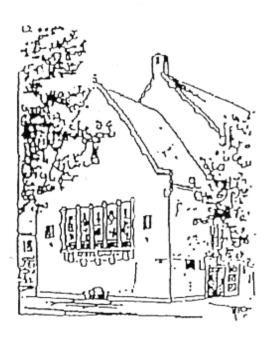
# The Scots International Church Rotterdam



Schiedamsevest 121, Rotterdam Services every Sunday at 10.30 am

# Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2014

#### THE GATHERING



**Call to worship** 

Introit: "God is my strength" - the Choir

Welcome & prayer

Praise: All are welcome (CH4 198)

(Words see below)

Children's message

Praise: Your will be done on earth, O Lord

(Words see below)

**THE WORD** 

**Prayer of confession** 

Bible reading: <u>Matthew 6: 1 – 15</u> (p. 970)

Praise: Our Father who is heaven (552)

Sermon: "Learning to Pray"

THE THANKSGIVING

Offering and dedication

**Invitation to Communion** 

Praise: Dear Lord and Father (111, vs. 1, 3, 4)

Anthem: "Eat this bread" - the Choir

**Sacrament of Communion** 

**Prayers for others** 



Praise: Be Thou my vision (51)

Benediction and '3-fold' Amen

Call to Worship (from Psalm 82: 1-2, 5)

Let us draw near to the throne of grace. How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts. **My heart and soul long for your presence, O God.** 

Blessed are those who find strength in you, who set their hearts on pilgrimage towards you.

### Thought for the week

"To clasp hands in prayer is the beginning of an uprising against the disorder of the world."

(Karl Barth, Swiss theologian)

# The Service today

Preacher: Robert Calvert
Elder: Peace Acquaah
Organist: Magdalena Jones
Worship leaders: Alan Paton, Irene Bom
Children's message: Esther Abang
Choir: Andrea Hayter
Bible reading: Ato Cromwell
Welcome: Mavis Ettienne, Ranee Daminik
Crèche: Gwendoline Keyere
Counting: Molly Foster, Esther Abang
Door: Eric Wenfua

Beamer: Eugene Ng Recording: Brenden van der Velden Hospitality: Linda Salome, Frieda Enow Flowers: Christine Galloway

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### **After Work Dinner Show**

The next "After Work Dinner Show" is on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March. This free dinner is at 18:30 and the entertainment will be from 19:30 and 20:45 (end at 22:00). More info or sign up with Molly Foster.

### WHAT'S ON

### **Monday**

19.00 N.T. Survey course (Church house)19.00 SKIN-Rotterdam board (Lower Hall)

### Tuesday

10.00 Garden Mosaic studio (Church house)

### Wednesday

10.00	Dutch language class (Church house)
10.30	Mamre (Lower Hall)
19.30	Garden Mosaic studio (Church house)
19.30	Beta Bible study (Lower Hall)

### **Thursday**

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

# **Friday**

10.30 World Day of Prayer (St. Mary's)19.30 World Day of Prayer (Church)

# **Sunday**

10.30 Worship, Sonrise, Rev. C. MacLeod

# **Birthdays**

This week we give our warm congratulations to Adje Acquaah (today), Nyomi Cairo, Fayola Cairo & Wyatt Kamara (Monday), Quniten Massicott (Tuesday), Gabriella Balke-Budai (Friday), Emma de Zanger (Saturday) and Dorothy Kingsale (Sunday) on their birthdays.

# **Weekly Offering Envelopes**



New offering envelopes are available from the treasurer Jim Taylor. They are dated for each Sunday in 2014 and for anyone who would like to give a regular amount every week. Anyone paying income tax is entitled to claim back for monies donated to the church & a receipt is prepared by the treasurer for this purpose.

## **Mission Offering**

The mission offering today is dedicated to the Ma Flo Foundation's education and support work for orphans in Cameroon. See Ma Flo or Bob Hensen for further information.

### Friday 7 March: World Day of Prayer services

The World Day of Prayer is an International Ecumenical Prayer Movement which brings millions of people in over one hundred countries together in a day of prayer each year. This year the focus will be on Egypt and the service was written by Christians from that country on the theme of "Streams in the Desert."

In Rotterdam we plan two services on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March at 10.30 in St. Mary's Anglican Church and at 19.30 here at Scots International. We welcome friends from Holland Methodist Church, Christ our Redeemer (Roman Catholic), the Wallonian Church and other churches.



On Wednesday nights 'Beta' Bible studies offer help to everyone on themes about Christian faith and life. This week we read from *Matthew 5: 21-43* on the theme of *God at work*. We start at 19.30 and finish by 21.15.

### **New Testament Survey**

On Monday nights at 19.00 up to 12<sup>th</sup> May Bob Langdon of Tyndale Theological Seminary is teaching the course: "New Testament Survey".

### **Joyful Singers**

Our African rhythm worship group leads on the fourth Sunday of every month. We are looking for more men and women to join them. If you are interested, contact Esther Abang or the minister

### **Leading Worship**

The minister is preparing members of the church to lead worship over the next three months before he departs in June. Robert is also away on four Sundays (9, 23, 30 March and 13 April). This morning Alan Paton leads before the service and Irene Bom after with communion.

# Reading group



The next date for the reading group is next week
Friday 14th March at 13.00. Contact Norma Taylor at
i taylor@versatel.nl for more details.

# Minister to Dundee

Our minister has intimated that he has accepted an invitation to be minister of the Steeple Church in Dundee. It has been a difficult decision and he has written about it in the church newsletter.

# The Garden Wall Mosaic

Everyone is welcome to the Attic Studio to work on Tuesdays from 10:00 to 15:00 and Wednesdays from 19:30 to 22:30. Contact Andre vd Velden at 0653641271 or Wilma Paton at 0616236652

www.facebook.com/thegardenwallmosaic

On 29 May (Ascension/Hemelvaart) the garden mosaic is to be erected on the church wall. Its creation has involved many people. On Sunday 1 June we will dedicate it after the service.

### Language learning?

If you would like to learn **Dutch**, there is a class for beginners with Harry Jonckheere on Wednesdays at 10.30. There are still places at the 09.00 group to learn **English** on Thursday mornings. More information can be obtained from Pam Russell / 010 5914959.

# **Songs not in Mission Praise**

### All are welcome

Let us build a house where love can dwell And all can safely live, A place where saints and children Tell how hearts learn to forgive. Built of hopes and dreams and visions, Rock of faith and vault of grace; Here the love of Christ shall end divisions:

> All are welcome, All are welcome, All are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where prophets speak, And words are strong and true, Where all God's children dare to seek To dream God's reign anew. Here the cross shall stand as witness And as symbol of God 's grace, Here as one we claim the faith of Jesus:

Let us build a house where love is found In water, wine and wheat: A banquet hall on holy ground Where peace and justice meet. Here the love of God, through Jesus, Is revealed in time and space;
As we share in Christ the feast that frees us:

Let us build a house where hands
Will reach beyond the wood and stone
To heal and strengthen, serve and teach,
And live the Word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger
Bear the image of God's face;
Let us bring an end to fear and danger:

Let us build a house where all are named, Their songs and visions heard And loved and treasured, taught and claimed As words within the Word. Built of tears and cries and laughter, Prayers of faith and songs of grace, Let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:

## Your will be done on earth, O Lord

Mayenziwe 'ntando yakho

Your will be done on earth, O Lord.