Welcome to the



a congregation of the
 Church of Scotland International Presbytery

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Thought for the Week

"Therefore, rid yourselves of all malice and all deceit,
hypocrisy, envy, and slander of every kind.
Like new-born babies, crave pure spiritual milk,
so that by it you may grow up in your salvation,
now that you have tasted that the Lord is good.
As you come to him, the living Stone rejected by humans but chosen by God and precious to him -you
also, like living stones, are being built into
a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood,
offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God
through Jesus Christ."
1 Peter 2: 1 - 5

Order of Service for Sunday 4 September 2016

Today is a Communion Sunday –

The table at which we gather is not the table of any one Church,
but of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Call to Worship (response in bold)

The Spirit of the Lord is upon us. God has called us to this place and to this life of love and service.

All of us seek purpose in living.

We come with a vital heritage, encircled by a great cloud of witnesses, looking for guideposts at the crossroads, directing us to new avenues of service.

With joy in our hearts and openness to God's presence among us, we come to worship God.

Introit (choir): "Sing of the Lord's goodness"

Welcome & Prayer of Approach

Praise: You are before me, Lord, you are behind

(CH4 96 - Tune: Highland Cathedral, No.336)

Prayer of Confession & Lord's Prayer

Children's Message

Praise: I have decided to follow Jesus (MP 272)

Blessing on the Children

Readings: **Jeremiah 18: 1–11** (p. 777)

Luke 14:25–33 (p. 1048)

Praise: O Jesus, I have promised (MP 501)

Sermon: "Choice"

Time for Renewal including Words of Affirmation and Commitment

Anthem (choir): "Grant us your peace"

Offering & Prayer of Dedication Announcements

Prayers for Others

Invitation to Holy Communion

Praise: Great God, your love has called us here (CH4 484)

Prayer & Words of Institution

Prayer of Thanksgiving (response in bold)

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Distribution of Elements (response in bold)

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us peace.

Sharing the Peace & Prayer

Praise: Great is thy faithfulness (MP 200)

Benediction and three-fold Amen

Closing words

Go now in peace, never be afraid,
God will go with you each hour of every day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.
Know he will guide you in all you do.
God now in love and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith and in love

Are you in need of prayer or pastoral care?

Or do you know someone who is? Please put your requests in the prayer box on Sundays. Prayers can also be sent via the Prayer Coordinator, Irene Jardine, at pray.sicr@gmail.com
For pastoral care or a visit by an Elder or Minister, contact your Elder, the

Open Monuments Day Saturday 10 & Sunday 11 September

The SICR will be taking part again. If you are willing to volunteer contact Christine Galloway.

Birthdays

This week we congratulate Hank Meldrum, Jim van Putten, Michelle Baffuo Essel, and Liz van der Velden on their birthdays.

Would you like your birthday mentioned? Inform the Office Team!

Today Mission Offering: "Friends" - Christian Students Club

What's on the agenda?

Church Office or the Minister.

Tuesday 6 Sept Consistory Meeting at 7.45 pm Wednesday 7 Sept Bible Study at 7.30 pm

Friday 23 September Book Group: "In the light of what we know"

by Zia Rahman

Saturday 24 Sept "Living Water Link" Rommelmarkt

Who's who Today - Minister: Rev. Derek Lawson

Elder: Peace Acquaah Children's message: Rizal Sebastien Organist: Jan Hendrik v.d. Kamp Bible Reader: Nyomi Cairo Welcome: Christa & Jaco Jacobs

Crèche: Gwendoline Kayere & Wenli Wan Deacons-Counting: Molly Foster & Joy Okojie

Door: Jimmy van Putten
Beamer: Anthony & Ingrid Evovo
Recording: Stanley Murithi
Hospitality: Emma de Zanger & crew
Flowers: Rose Stolk

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For the Beamer

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 for ever. Amen.

English Language Liturgical Consultation Text 1998

Words of Affirmation and Commitment

We believe in Jesus Christ, son of the one God, maker and sustainer of earth, sea and sky. Born of Mary's womb, faithful to the God of Abraham and Sarah, Jesus healed the sick, served the poor, and proclaimed heaven on earth. Condemned by the religious, crucified by the state, he died – but transformed even death

and rose to life everlasting.

He blessed the disciples with his Holy Spirit and sent them forth, east and west, north and south.

We commit ourselves to Jesus, to one another as brothers and sisters, and to his mission in the world, and especially in and through this congregation, in the grace of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

For the announcements by the Elder

Please go through the <u>agenda</u> and <u>draw attention to the OMD</u> Open Monuments Day and the <u>request for help</u> at the Garden Wall Mosaic stall.

Also ask for a <u>Bible reader for the coming Sundays</u> because there is none on the list.