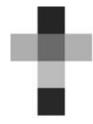
Welcome to the



Scots International Church Rotterdam

a congregation of the
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Thomas - 2017

Put your hand, Thomas,
on the swollen belly
of a starving child in Somalia.
Put your finger, Thomas,
on the lists of those
imprisoned across the world
for their religious or political beliefs.
Stroke the cheek, Thomas,
of the little girl sold in prostitution
by the child traffickers across Europe.
Touch, Thomas,
the gaping wounds of my world.

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Feel, Thomas,
the primal wound of my people.
Reach out your hands, Thomas,
and place them at the side of the poor.
Grasp my hands, Thomas, and believe.

Kate McIlhagga (adapted)

Order of Service

for Sunday 23 April 2017 - the 2nd Sunday of Easter

Call to Worship - (congregational responses in **bold**)

In the breaking of bread and in prayers

Jesus is among us.

In the telling of stories and in signs

Jesus is among us.

In the sharing of resources and in justice

Jesus is among us.

In this place and in this moment

Jesus is among us in joy.

Introit (led by Sonrise): Bless the Lord (10,000

Reasons)(words see below)

Welcome & Prayer of Approach

Praise: From heaven you came, helpless babe (MP 162)

Prayer of Adoration & Confession

concluding with The Lord's Prayer

Children's Message

Praise: One more step along the world I go v.1-3

(CH4 530)

Baptism of Samuel, the infant son of Jaco and Christa Jacobs, during which we shall say together -

The Apostles' Creed (

(words at CH4 628)

and sing the Aaronic Blessing -

The Lord bless you and keep you (CH4 796)

Praise: One more step along the world I go v.4-5

Blessing on the Children

Readings: 1 Peter 1: 3 – 9 (p. 1217)

John 20: 19 – 31

(p.1089)

Reflection (Part 1)

Praise: How often we, like Thomas, need proof (CH4 432)

Tune: Passion Chorale, No. 382

Reflection (Part 2)

Praise: This is a day of new beginnings (CH4 526)

Tune: Spiritus Vitae

Offering

Prayer of Dedication

Sonrise: I believe in Jesus

How great is our God (words see below)

Church News

Prayers for Others - Elder

Praise: To God be the glory! Great things he has done!

(MP 708)

Benediction and Three-fold Amen

As Derek is away to the General Assembly in May, there will be no evening service in May.

The next will therefore be on **Sunday 18 June at 7.30pm** when we shall hold our next:



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 Church Office or the Minister.

Birthdays

This week we congratulate Russell Tajocha, Michellijne van Putten, Joke Cromwell, Robert Ewing and Weona Massicott on their birthdays.

Would you like your birthday mentioned?

Inform the Office Team!

What's on the agenda?

Friday 28 April Book Group 1 pm in the Crèche

Sunday 30 April Bible Study at 9.15am

Worship at 10.30am

Tuesday 2 May Council Meeting at 7.45pm

Who's who Today

Minister: Rev. Derek Lawson Elder: Emmanuel Asare Awuku

Children's message: Rev Derek Lawson

Organist: Jan Hendrik v.d. Kamp Bible Reader: Jean Galloway

Welcome: Carol de Groot & James Essel Crèche: Gwendoline Kayere & Wenli Wan

Deacons-Counting: Molly Foster & Bridget Teisman

Door: Rizal Sebastian Beamer: André v.d. Velden Recording: Andre v.d. Velden

Hospitality: Marie Chandler & Christine Galloway

Flowers: Rose Stolk

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Words for the Introit

Chorus:

Bless the Lord O my soul, O my soul Worship His holy name Sing like never before O my soul I'll worship your holy name

Verse 1

The sun comes up it's a new day dawning It's time to sing your song again Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me Let me be singing when the evening comes.

Verse 2

You're rich in love and you're slow to anger Your name is great and your heart is kind For all your goodness I will keep on singing Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

Verse 3

And on that day when my strength is failing The end draws near and my time has come Still my soul will sing your praise unending Ten thousand years and then forevermore

Ending

Worship your holy name Lord I'll worship your holy name

I believe in Jesus

I believe in Jesus,
I believe He is the Son of God.
I believe He died and rose again,
I believe He paid for us all.
I believe He is here now
standing in our midst here with the power to heal now
and the grace to forgive.

I believe in you, Lord,
I believe you are the Son of God.
I believe you died and rose again,
I believe you paid for us all,
and I believe you're here now
(I believe that you're here)
standing in our midst.
Here with the power to heal now
(with the power to heal)
and the grace to forgive.

How great is our God

The splendour of the King, clothed in majesty - let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice. He wraps Himself in light and darkness tries to hide, and trembles at His voice, and trembles at His voice

Chorus
How great is our God, sing with me.

How great is our God and all will see how great how great is our God.

Verse 2

And age to age He stands and time is in His hands. Beginning and the End, beginning and the End. The Godhead three in one: Father, Spirit, Son, the Lion and the Lamb, the Lion and the Lamb.

Bridge

Name above all names, worthy of all praise. My heart will sing, how great is our God