Welcome to the



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Bible Readings for the coming week

Monday, April 6: Psalm 36: 5-11, Hebr.9: 11-15, Joh.12:1-11; Tuesday, April 7: Psalm 71: 1-14, 1 Cor.1:8-31, Joh. 12: 20-36; Wednesday, April 8: Psalm 70, Hebr. 12: 1-3, John 13:21-32; Thursday, April 9: Ps116:1-2, 12-19 1Cor 11:23-26 John 13: 1-17; Friday, April 10: Psalm 22, Hebr. 10: 16-25, John 18: 1-19, Saturday, April 11: Ps 31: 1-4,15-16, 1Peter 4: 1-8, Matt. 27: 56-66:

Thought for the Week

For much of Jesus' ministry He urged people to be quiet about who He was. When He healed he told people not to say anything; when He confronted demons who recognized Him as the Son of God He told them to shut up.

That's because it wasn't time for Him to declare Himself as the Messiah.

On Palm Sunday the time had come. (Tom Fuller)

Order of Service for Sunday 5th April 2020 This Service will be led by Rev. Irene Bom

-Sunday 5th April 2020 Palm Sunday

Call to Worship - (congregational responses in bold)

Children of God, Rejoice!
Sing out in celebration, people of God!
Your King is coming to you,
humble, riding on a donkey, on a donkey's foal.

Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Glory to God! Hosanna!

Welcome

Hymn 279: Make way, make way

1 Make way, make way, for Christ the King in splendour arrives; fling wide the gates and welcome Him into your lives. Make way, make way, for the King of kings; make way, make way, and let His kingdom in! 2 He comes the broken hearts to heal, the prisoners to free; the deaf shall hear, the lame shall dance, the blind shall see.
Make way . . .

3 And those who mourn with heavy hearts, who weep and sigh, with laughter, joy and royal crown He'll beautify.

Make way . . .

4 We call you now to worship Him as Lord of all, to have no gods before Him, their thrones must fall!

Make way . . .

Opening Prayer

Children's Message

MP 424: Hosanna Hosanna

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest; hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest: Lord, we lift up Your name, with hearts full of praise. Be exalted, O Lord my God -

- hosanna in the highest.
- 2 Glory, glory, glory to the King of kings; glory, glory, glory to the King of kings: Lord, we lift up Your name with hearts full of praise. Be exalted, O Lord my God glory to the King of kings.

Blessing on the children

Prayer of Confession & Our Lord's Prayer

Bible reading: **Psalm 118: 1 – 2, 19 – 29**

- **1** Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever.
- 2 Let Israel say: "His love endures forever."
- **19** Open for me the gates of the righteous; I will enter and give thanks to the LORD.
- **20** This is the gate of the LORD through which the righteous may enter.
- **21** I will give you thanks, for you answered me; you have become my salvation.

- **22** The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone;
- 23 the LORD has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes.
- **24** The LORD has done it this very day; let us rejoice today and be glad.
- 25 LORD, save us! LORD, grant us success!
- **26** Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD. From the house of the LORD we bless you.
- **27** The LORD is God, and he has made his light shine on us. With boughs in hand, join in the festal procession up to the horns of the altar.
- **28** You are my God, and I will praise you; you are my God, and I will exalt you.
- **29** Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever

Hymn 559: There is a redeemer

1 There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son, precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.

Thank You, O my Father,

for giving us Your Son, and leaving Your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

2 Jesus, my Redeemer, name above all names, precious Lamb of God, Messiah, O for sinners slain: Thank You

3 When I stand in glory I will see His face, and there I'll serve my King for ever in that holy place. Thank You . . .

Bible reading: Matthew 21: 1 - 11

1 As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples,

2 saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and at once you will find a donkey tied there, with her colt by her. Untie them and bring them to me.

3 If anyone says anything to you, say that the Lord needs them, and he will send them right away."

- This took place to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet:
- "Say to Daughter Zion, 'See, your king comes to you, gentle and riding on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.' "
- The disciples went and did as Jesus had instructed them.
- They brought the donkey and the colt and placed their cloaks on them for Jesus to sit on.
- A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road.
- **9** The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted, "Hosanna to the Son of David!" "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Hosanna in the highest heaven!"
- When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred and asked, "Who is this?"
- The crowds answered, "This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee."

Reflection

MP 545: Open our eyes, Lord

Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus - to reach out and touch Him and say that we love Him. Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen: O open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus!

Offering & Dedication

Church News

Prayers of the People

(Elder)

Hymn 449: Rejoice the Lord is King

1 Rejoice! the Lord is King, your Lord and King adore.
Mortals, give thanks and sing, and triumph evermore:
[Refrain:]
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; rejoice; again I say: Rejoice!

2 Jesus our Saviour reigns, the God of truth and love; when he had purged our stains, he took his seat above. [Refrain]

3 His kingdom cannot fail; he rules both earth and heaven; the keys of death and hell are to our Jesus given. [Refrain]

4 Rejoice in glorious hope, for Christ, the Judge, shall come, and take his servants up to their eternal home: [Refrain:] We then shall hear the archangel's voice; the trump of God shall sound: Rejoice!

St Patrick's Breastplate (see video link)

Benediction & Three-Fold Amen

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

We congratulate Elizabeth and Karen Baiye on their birthdays this week.

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

What's on the agenda?

- Friday 10th April Good Friday (to be confirmed)
- Sunday 12^h April Easter Worship and Praise Service

Who's who Today

Minister: Rev. Irene Bom Elder: Bob Hensen (for Ruud Witte) Children's message: Rev. Irene Bom Praise: Margriet van Overbeeke Organist: Jan Hendrik van de Kamp

Bible Reader: Bob Hensen

Welcome: n.a. Crèche: n.a.

Offering & Counting: n.a.

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Church News of 05.04.2020 read by the Elder To be completed on Sunday morning.

Refer to the Order of Service sent to you through the SICR Bulletin, so you can enjoy the Daily Bible reading shown on the front. Please note on our agenda is the following: (See Order of Service.)

Tomorrow we start the Holy Week, with Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday.

These will be followed by Easter Sunday 12th April.

On the website of the Church of Scotland, www.churchofscotland.org.uk/
as well as on the site of the PKN https://www.protestantsekerk.nl/
you will find lots of ideas, prayers etc, for Easter.

Stefan and Shanny are since 29.03.20 evening the proud parents of James Gabriël. You may want to send a card, find the details in last Thursday's Bulletin.

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This was again an online Service from the Sanctuary of the Scots International Church Rotterdam. If you were not able to join the live broadcast, you can still listen to it later via www.kerkdienstgemist.nl.