## Welcome to the



a congregation of the Church of Scotland International Presbytery

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## **Daily Bible Readings for the coming week**

Monday 07.09.20: Salvation - Psalms 3

Tuesday 08.09.20: Thanksgiving - Psalms 75, 136 Wednesday 09.09.20: Thanksgiving - Psalms 106

Thursday 10.09.20: Trust - Psalms 31 Friday 11.09.20: Trust - Psalms 40, 56

## Thought for the Week

"Nothing in life is to be feared, it is only to be understood.

Now is the time to understand more, so that we may fear less.

(Marie Curie:

Polish and naturalized-French physicist and chemist who conducted pioneering research on radiography)

# Order of Service for Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2020 led by the Rev. Lance Stone

## The Service Today

Minister: Rev. Dr. Lance Stone
Elder: Bridget Teisman
Children's message: Rev. Lance Stone
Organist: Jan Hendrik van de Kamp
Music in Worship: Jan Henrik v.d. Kamp
Bible Reader: Bridget Teisman
Counting: Esther Abang & Fred Booman

Beamer: Ricky Lim Door: Bob Hensen

Broadcasting & Recording: Azmi Wahab

## Sunday 6th September 2020

**CALL TO WORSHIP** (based on Psalm 105:1-3)

O give thanks to the LORD, call on his name, make known his deeds among the peoples.

Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wonderful works.

Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.

## Welcome

## Praise CH4 64: Sing all creation, sing to God in gladness

Sing, all creation, sing to God in gladness! Joyously serve him, singing hymns of homage! Chanting his praises, come before his presence! Praise the Almighty!

Know that our God is Lord of all the ages! He is our maker we are all his creatures, people he fashioned, sheep he leads to pasture! Praise the Almighty! Enter his temple, ringing out his praises! Sing in thanksgiving as you come before him! Blessing his bounty, glorify his greatness! Praise the Almighty!

Great in his goodness is the Lord we worship steadfast his kindness, love that knows no ending! Faithful his word is, changeless, everlasting! Praise the Almighty!

Opening Prayer the Lord's Prayer

## Children's Message

## Praise CH4 189: Be still for the presence of the Lord

Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One, is here; come bow before Him now with reverence and fear: in Him no sin is found – we stand on holy ground. Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One, is here.

2 Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around; He burns with holy fire, with splendour He is crowned: how awesome is the sight – our radiant King of light! Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around.

3 Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place:
He comes to cleanse and heal, to minister His grace – no work too hard for Him. In faith receive from Him. Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place.

Blessing on the children

Bible Reading: Exodus 3: 1-15

## **Moses and the Burning Bush**

- 1 Now Moses was tending the flock of Jethro his father-in-law, the priest of Midian, and he led the flock to the far side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God.
- **2** There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in flames of fire from within a bush. Moses saw that though the bush was on fire it did not burn up.
- 3 So Moses thought, "I will go over and see this strange sight—why the bush does not burn up."
- **4** When the LORD saw that he had gone over to look, God called to him from within the bush, "Moses! Moses!" And Moses said, "Here I am."
- **5** "Do not come any closer," God said. "Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy ground."
- **6** Then he said, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob." At this, Moses hid his face, because he was afraid to look at God.

- 7 The LORD said, "I have indeed seen the misery of my people in Egypt. I have heard them crying out because of their slave drivers, and I am concerned about their suffering.
- 8 So I have come down to rescue them from the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land into a good and spacious land, a land flowing with milk and honey—the home of the Canaanites, Hittites, Amorites, Perizzites, Hivites and Jebusites.
- **9** And now the cry of the Israelites has reached me, and I have seen the way the Egyptians are oppressing them.
- 10 So now, go. I am sending you to Pharaoh to bring my people the Israelites out of Egypt."
- 11 But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?"
- 12 And God said, "I will be with you. And this will be the sign to you that it is I who have sent you: When you have brought the people out of Egypt, you will worship God on this mountain."
- 13 Moses said to God, "Suppose I go to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' Then what shall I tell them?"
- 14 God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM. This is what you are to say to the Israelites: 'I AM has sent me to you."
- 15 God also said to Moses, "Say to the Israelites, 'The LORD, the God of your fathers—the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob—has sent me to you.' "This is my name forever, the name you shall call me from generation to generation.

## Praise CH4 609: Come, living God when least expected (tune Spiritus Vitae)

- 1 Come, living God, when least expected, when minds are dull and hearts are cold, through sharpening word and warm affection revealing truths as yet untold.
- 2 Break from the tomb in which we hide you to speak again in startling ways; break through the words in which we bind to resurrect our lifeless praise.
- 3 Come now, as once you came to Moses 5 Then, through our gloom, your Son within the bush alive with flame; or to Elijah on the mountain, by silence pressing home your claim.
- 4 So, let our minds be sharp to read you in sight or sound or printed page, and let us greet you in our neighbours, in ardent youth or mellow age.
- will meet us as vivid truth and living Lord, exploding doubt and disillusion to scatter hope and joy abroad.
- 6 Then we will share his radiant brightness and, blazing through the dread of night, illuminate by love and reason, for those in darkness, faith's delight.

#### Sermon

## Praise CH4 625: O thou who camest from above

- 1 O thou who camest from above the pure celestial fire to impart, kindle a flame of sacred love on the mean altar of my heart.
- 2 There let it for thy glory burn with inextinguishable blaze, and trembling to its source return, in humble prayer and fervent praise. 3 Jesus, confirm my heart's desire
- 3 Jesus, confirm my heart's desire to work, and speak, and think for thee; still let me guard the holy fire, and still stir up thy gift in me:
- 4 Ready for all thy perfect will, my acts of faith and love repeat, till death thy endless mercies seal, and make the sacrifice complete.

Offering & Dedication

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Church News (see also page 4 & 5)

**Rev. Graham Austin** (currently the minister of Cleland I/w St Marks, Church of Scotland in Wishaw, UK) Rev. Austin has been selected by the Nominating Committee as Sole Nominee and will preach on Sunday, 13 September 2020. The process and decision have been positively reviewed by the Presbytery Advisory Committee.

We thank and praise God for His guidance and blessings.



Prayers of the People: (Elder)

## Praise CH4 162: The God of Abraham praise

1 The God of Abraham praise, who reigns enthroned above, Ancient of everlasting days, and God of love.

Jehovah, Great I AM! by earth and heaven confessed, I bow, and bless the sacred name for ever blest.

2 The God of Abraham praise, at whose supreme command from earth I rise, and seek the joys at his right hand.
I all on earth forsake, its wisdom, fame and power, and him my only portion make, my shield and tower

3 He by himself has sworn, I on his oath depend: I shall, on eagle's wings upborne, to heaven ascend; I shall behold his face, I shall his power adore and sing the wonders of his grace for evermore.

4 There dwells the Lord our King, the Lord our Righteousness, triumphant o'er the world and sin, the Prince of Peace; on Zion's sacred height his kingdom he maintains, and glorious with his saints in light for ever reigns.

5 The whole triumphant host give thanks to God on high; 'Hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!' they ever cry. Hail, Abraham's God, and mine!—I join the heavenly praise—all might and majesty are thine, through endless days.

**BENEDICTION & THREE-FOLD AMEN** 

## **Prayer Request & Pastoral Care**

Are you in need of prayer or pastoral care or do you know someone who is?

Please send prayer request to the Prayer Coordinator:

Irene Jardine, at <a href="mailto:pray.sicr@gmail.com">pray.sicr@gmail.com</a>

For pastoral care or a visit from the Minister or an Elder, contact your Elder, the Church Office or Rev. Irene Bom

<u>irene.bom@xs4all.nl</u> - tel.:06 5257 6892 **E-mail SICR : info@scotsintchurch.com** 

## What's On & Church News

#### Whats On

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September Worship Service with Rev. Irene Bom & (Sole Nominee) Rev. Graham Austin Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> September worship led by Rev. Joost Pot Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> September Rev. Jacob (Jaap) Theunisz

Sunday evenings: Exploring the Psalms: Zoom: https://zoom.us/j/2313008055 [Password: 603796]

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR ONLINE VOTING

The Church Office has made available a link you can use to vote. The meeting will take place straight after the service, so stay in the sanctuary, or have the link ready in a separate browser tab while remaining connected through Kerkdienstgemist.

Please read all of these instructions carefully BEFORE the actual voting. It is really as simple as opening the form, making your choice, and sending it – 3 mouse-clicks.

However, here is some background information and an example.

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	Congregational Vote Sole Nominee Preaching
	Scots International Church Rotterdam, September 13, 2020 Please vote by clicking yes or no in answer to the question posed. Please submit your vote only once.
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	I agree to call Rev Graham Austin to be our next minister.
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	○ No
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## 1. Click on Yes or No according to your preference

## 2. Then click on Verzenden/Send

## Please note:

- a) The link will open the form ahead of time, but it will only work during the voting at the meeting after the service. The congregation members who are physically present in church and those who are connecting at home through Kerkdienstgemist will all vote together, as and when the chairperson of the meeting invites you to do so. You will have a few minutes to click the link, open the form, make your choice, and send in the form. *The link will be activated only during this short period*.
- b) Please note each member has 1 vote. If you vote in church with a ballot paper, you should not also vote on an electronic device online. If several members share 1 email address then the link can be used again. Do not forward the link to other people. We could have made the form more secure, but that would have made using it more difficult (although there still are some checks and balances). So please respect the trust we place in you to *submit only one vote per member*.
- c) Last but not least: your vote is completely anonymous. Nobody can see what you voted.

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