

# Welcome to the Scots International Church Rotterdam

## A congregation of the Church of Scotland International Presbytery

May the Lord bless you as we worship together.

Sunday 21 March 2021 'Fifth Sunday in Lent'

## Online Services only

In the meantime the SICR services will be available online. Go to the church website at www.scotsintchurch.com and click on KERKDIENST GEMIST

Our March Mission Offering is for

### STICHTING MA-FLO

Foundation Ma-Flo

For more information visit www.maflokids.com or see the online SICR Bulletin. You can sign up for the Bulletin by emailing the Church office. (contact details on the back)

#### Something to pray

God be with us in the coming week, as we think about Jesus making his way to Jerusalem to die upon the cross and rise again on Easter Day.

Amen.

#### **Something to Celebrate**

This week we congratulate Daniël de Jong Kwena Koka on their birthdays.



"The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure hidden in the field, which a man found and hid again; and from joy over it he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field."

Jesus MAFA art.

#### Someone to call

Keep in touch by phone email text letter Even though we cannot have our usual chat after the Sunday services we can still contact our church family by phone, and remember, calling via internet can be free of charge. If you don't have someone's phone number, then email the church office on:

info@scotsintchurch.com or call Bob/Molly (0625 538 320) our church office volunteers and they will figure out for you how you can acquire the required number.

#### **Daily Devotional Readings**

Monday 22	Psalm 119:9-16; Isaiah 43:8-13; 2 Corinthians 3:4-11	
Tuesday 23	Psalm 119:9-16; Isaiah 44:1-8; Acts 2:14-24	
Wednesday 24	Psalm 119:9-16; Haggai 2:1-9, 20-23; John 12:34-50	
Thursday 25	Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29; Deuteronomy 16:1-8; Philippians 2:1-11	
Friday 26	Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29; Jeremiah 33:1-9; Philippians 2:12-18	
Saturday 27	Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29; Jeremiah 33:10-16; Mark 10:32-34, 46-52	

#### Welcome

Call to Worship

Leader: The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified.
People: Jesus calls us to serve and follow him,
and promises that if we do, we shall be with him.
Leader: Come, be with him now. Serve him, follow him,
and give glory to God. Amen.

#### CH4 339

- 1. Sing of Andrew, John's disciple, led by faith through ways untrod, till the Baptist cried at Jordan, "There behold the Lamb of God!" Stirred by hearing this new teacher, Andrew, freed from doubt and fear, ran to tell his brother Simon, "God's Anointed One is here!"
- 2. Sing of Andrew, called by Jesus from the shores of Galilee, leaving boats and nets and kindred, trusting in that "Follow me."
  When a lad's small meal fed thousands, when inquiring Greeks found care, when the Spirit came in blessing, Andrew faithfully was there.
- 3. Sing of Andrew, bold apostle, sent to make the Gospel known, faithful to his Lord's example, called to make a cross his own. So may we who prize his memory honour Christ in our own day, bearing witness to our neighbours, living what we sing and pray.

  Carl P. Daw, Jr.© 1987 Hope Publishing Co.

#### Opening Prayer, Prayer of Confession & 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 forever.
Amen

Children's Message: 'Seed'

Though the grass may wither and the flowers may fall, the Word of the Lord will stand forever!

Bible Reading: John 12:20-33

20 Now there were some Greeks among those who went up to worship at the festival. 21 They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, with a request. "Sir," they said, "we would like to see Jesus." 22 Philip went to tell Andrew; Andrew and Philip in turn told Jesus. 23 Jesus replied, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. 24 Very truly I tell you, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds. 25 Anyone who loves their life will lose it, while anyone who hates their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. 26 Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be. My Father will honor the one who serves me. 27 "Now my soul is troubled, and what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it was for this very reason I came to this hour.

28 Father, glorify your name!" Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and will glorify it again." 29 The crowd that was there and heard it said it had thundered; others said an angel had spoken to him. 30 Jesus said, "This voice was for your benefit, not mine. 31 Now is the time for judgment on this world; now the prince of this world will be driven out. 32 And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." 33 He said this to show the kind of death he was going to die.

#### CH4 557

- 1. O Love that wilt not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee: I give thee back the life I owe, that in thine ocean depths its flow may richer, fuller be.
- 2. O light that followest all my way, I yield my flickering torch to thee: my heart restores its borrowed ray, that in thy sunshine's blaze its day may brighter, fairer be.
- 3. O joy that sleekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to thee:
  I trace the rainbow through the rain, and feel the promise is not vain, that morn shall tearless be.
- 4. O cross that liftest up my head,
  I dare not ask to fly from thee:
  I lay in dust life's glory dead,
  and from the ground there blossoms red
  life that shall endless be.

  George Matheson (1842-1906)

Sermon: 'Eternal life'

#### Offerings

As we give our offering to Church and to the Mission Offering: 'Ma Flo Kid's Education' we listen to 'When I survey the wondrous cross' CH4 392

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- When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died, my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.
- 2. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ my God: all the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood.
- 3. See from His head, His hands, His feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down: did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?
- 4. Were the whole realm of Nature mine, that were an offering far too small; love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all!

**Dedication of Offerings and Prayers for Others: (Elder)** 

CH4 559 (This hymn was selected for the Lent Sing and Study)

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

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

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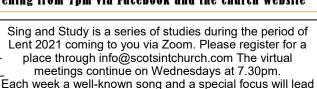
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## Scots International Church, Rotterdam Online Holy Week Services - 2021

Monday 29th March to Saturday 3rd April

Available online each evening from 7pm via Facebook and the church website



us into our study of the gospel reading. All studies are available from the church website.

•	Date	Reading	Song	Special focus
6	24 Mar	Mark 11:1-11	All glory, laud and honour	Son of David

Are you in need of prayer or pastoral care? Or do you know someone who is? Would you like the minister to phone you? Please send in vour requests via email, text, phone or PM though the church Facebook page, Contact details below. Prayers can also be sent via the Prayer Coordinator, Irene Jardine, at pray.sicr@gmail.com

**Up coming Services** 

Date	Sermon	Reading		
Mar 28	Palm Sunday Son of David	Mark 11:1-11		
April 4	Easter Sun- day	John 20:1-18		
April 11	Thomas	John 20:19-31		

The next **Consistory** meeting is on Tuesday 23 March 2021 at 7.30pm via Zoom.

The SICR AGM is postponed until further notice.

#### The Service Today

Minister: Rev. Graham Austin Elder: Ranee Organist: Netty Dijkstra Children's message: Rev. Graham Austin Vocalist: Ranee Bible Reader: Bob Hensen Beamer & Live Streaming: Daniël & Rizal Flowers: Anna-Marie Smith arranged by Bridget

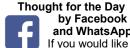
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