

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 2 May 2021



"I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing." John 15:5

Something to think about

- ⇒ What did you last prune and when?
- ⇒ What might God want to prune in your
- ⇒ How might our community become more fruitful?

Science says, we need four basic elements to survive: Water, Air, Food and Light. Look at what Jesus said: I am the living water. I am the breath of life. I am the bread of life and I am the light of the world.

Online Services only

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

Thought for the Day by Facebook and WhatsApp

If you would like a Daily Devotion by mobile phone, then join the 'Thought for the day' WhatsApp group by texting: 06 3059 9641

Something to pray

Abide in God as God abides in you. then you will bear much fruit; for apart from God we can do nothing. Amen.

Something to Celebrate

This week we congratulate Klazina Rigters, Mike Jang, Marvellous Okoro Tiyjudy and Gwen Wenfua on their birthdays. Would you like your birthday mentioned? Inform the Office Team!

Thank you for your giving

These are difficult times for many, so please don't feel obliged to contribute if you are not able. For those who are able to contribute, thank you for your offering. The church bank details are: NL62 RABO 0373741006 or NL17 INGB 0000 175187

Daily Devotional Readings

| Monday 3 | Psalm 80; Isaiah 5:1-7; Galatians 5:16-26 | |
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| Tuesday 4 | Psalm 80; Isaiah 32:9-20; James 3:17-18 | |
| Wednesday 5 | Psalm 80; Isaiah 65:17-25; John 14:18-31 | |
| Thursday 6 | Psalm 98; Isaiah 49:5-6; Acts 10:1-34 | |
| Friday 7 | Psalm 98; Isaiah 42:5-9; Acts 10:34-43 | |
| Saturday 8 | Psalm 98; Deuteronomy 32:44-47; Mark 10:42-45 | |

Welcome

Call to Worship

Leader: The Lord says, 'I am the vine, you are the branches. Response: Those who abide in me, and I in them, bear much fruit.

Apart from me you can do nothing.'

Leader: Come now, as branches of the vine, ready to bear fruit.

Response: Come now, to worship.

1. Jesus, be the centre, be my source, be my light, Jesus.

3. Jesus, be my vision, be my path, be my quide, Jesus.

2. Jesus, be the centre, be my hope, be my song, Jesus.

Be the fire in my heart, be the wind in these sails, be the reason that I live, Jesus, Jesus

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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 Talk: 'Fietswiel en Jesus' (Bicycle wheel and Jesus)

Read your bible, pray every day pray every day, pray every day. Read your bible, pray every day and you'll grow, grow, grow.

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Bible Reading: John 15:1-8

1 "I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener. 2 He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful. 3 You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you. 4 Remain in me, as I also remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me. 5 "I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. 6 If you do not remain in me, you are like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned. 7 If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. 8 This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples.

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- May the mind of Christ, my Saviour, live in me from day to day, by His love and power controlling all I do or say.
 - 2. May the Word of God dwell richly in my heart from hour to hour, so that all may see I triumph only through His power.
- May the love of Jesus fill me as the waters fill the sea; Him exalting, self denying, this is victory.
- May I run the race before me, strong and brave to face the foe, drawing all my strength from Jesus as I onward go.

Katie Barclay Wilkinson (1859-1928)

Sermon: 'The True Vine'

MP 987

- 1. Here is love, vast as the ocean, loving kindness as the flood, when the Prince of life, our ransom, shed for us His precious blood. Who His love will not remember? Who can cease to sing His praise? He can never be forgotten throughout heaven's eternal days.
- 2. On the mount of crucifixion fountains opened deep and wide; through the floodgates of God's mercy flowed a vast and gracious tide. Grace and love, like mighty rivers, poured incessant from above, and heaven's peace and perfect justice kissed a guilty world in love.

Mission Offering for the month of May: 'EMMS - The Nazareth Trust' Israel,
Home town of Jesus
We give our offerings to God for the Church and the Mission Offering
As we listen to 'Come and find the quiet centre

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- 1. Come and find the quiet centre in the crowded life we lead, find the room for hope to enter, find the space where we are freed: clear the chaos and the clutter, clear our eyes, that we can see all the things that really matter, be a peace, and simply be.
- 2. Silence is a friend who claims us, cools the heat and slows the pace; God it is who speaks and names us, knows our being, touches base, making space within our thinking, lifting shades to show the sun, raising courage when we're shrinking finding scope for faith begun.
- 3. In the Spirit let us travel, open to each other's pain; let our lives and fears unravel, celebrate the space we gain: there's a place for deepest dreaming, there's a time for hearts to care; in the Spirit's lively scheming there is always room to spare!

Dedication of Offerings Prayers for Others: (Elder)

- 1. I need Thee every hour, most gracious Lord; no tender voice like Thine can peace afford.

 I need Thee, O I need Thee; every hour I need Thee;
 O bless me now, my Saviour, I come to Thee.
- I need Thee every hour, stay Thou nearby; temptations lose their power when Thou art nigh.
 I need Thee. O I need Thee:...
- 3. I need Thee every hour, in joy or pain; come quickly and abide, or life is in vain. I need Thee, O I need Thee; every hour I need Thee; O bless me now, my Saviour, I come to Thee.
- 4. I need Thee every hour; teach me Thy will; and Thy rich promises in me fulfil. I need Thee, O I need Thee;...

Benediction & Three-fold Amen

Keep in

touch by

phone

email

text

letter

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 your 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

The **SICR AGM** is postponed until further notice.

Up coming Services

| Date | Sermon | Reading |
|--------|---------------|--------------|
| May 9 | Lasting fruit | John 15:9-17 |
| May 16 | Jesus' prayer | John 17:6-19 |
| May 23 | Pentecost | Acts 2:1-21 |

Someone to call

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.comor call Bob/Molly (0625 538 320) our

church office volunteers and they will figure out for you how you can acquire the required number.

The Service Today

Minister: Rev Graham Austin Elder: Molly Foster Organist: Jan Hendrick v.d. Kamp Children's message: Graham Austin Vocalist: Anneke Pot Bible Reader: Bob Hensen Open Spot: Presenting the Nazareth Trust

Beamer & Live Streaming: Rizal Flowers: Annemarie Smith arranged by Bridget Teisman

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