

# 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 17th October 2021

# Something to think about

Mark 10:35-37

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"I can't help but wonder if, after asking for the prime seats above the other ten, it will only Be a matter of time before James and John Come to Jesus individually begging for the right hand seat." (Mark Davies)

Our special Mission Offering for October is for



# 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

## Something to Celebrate

This week we congratulate Johanna, Patricia and Henny on their birthdays.

Would you like your birthday mentioned?

Inform the Office Team

Today in our service
we rejoice in the ordination of
Dennis Acquaye to the eldership.
Pray for him as he begins this
new ministry among us.

# **Harvest Auction**

Thanks to everyone who took part in-person and on-line Auction. The total was....

€1045.40

# Something to Pray

Help us Father God to be a people of service.

In the work of our hands, in the thoughts of our minds and in the beating of our hearts.

May we never be too proud to bend to the needs of the other and to lift the lowly, feed the poor and to bring the love of Jesus.

Amen

# 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

#### 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 18	Psalm 75; Job 40:1-24; Hebrews 6:1-12	
Tuesday 19	Psalm 75; Job 41:1-11; Hebrews 6:13-20	
Wednesday 20	Psalm 75; Job 41:12-34; John 13:1-17	
Thursday 21	Psalm 34:1-8; 2 Kings 20:12-19; Hebrews 7:1-10	
Friday 22	Psalm 34:1-8; Nehemiah 1:1-11; Hebrews 7:11-22	
Saturday 23	Psalm 34:1-8; Job 42:7-9; Mark 8:22-26	

#### Welcome

## Call to worship

Cast your cares on the Lord and He will sustain you He will never let the righteous be shaken.

#### CH4 132

- 1. Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes; most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days; Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.
- 2. Unresting, unhasting and silent as light; nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might; Thy justice, like mountains, high soaring above; Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.
- 3. To all, life Thou givest, to both great and small; in all, life Thou livest, the true life of all; we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree, and wither and perish but naught changeth Thee.

# Congregational Singing

4. Great Father of glory, pure Father of light; Thine angels adore Thee all veiling their sight. All laud we would render, O help us to see 'Tis only the splendour of light hideth Thee.

Walter Chalmers Smith (1824-1908)

# Prayer of Approach, Confession and 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

#### Congregational Singing

There are trees and there are flowers
There is sunshine and there are showers
There are millions of things around us
in the world that our God made.

And He cares for each little sparrow and He cares for each daisy too. Our God cares for everything, including me and you and you and you and you. Our God cares for everything, including me and you.

Bible Reading: Mark 10:35-45

35 Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to him. "Teacher," they said, "we want you to do for us whatever we ask." 36 "What do you want me to do for you?" he asked. 37 They replied, "Let one of us sit at your right and the other at your left in your glory." 38 "You don't know what you are asking," Jesus said. "Can you drink the cup I drink or be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with?" 39 "We can," they answered. Jesus said to them, "You will drink the cup I drink and be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with, 40 but to sit at my right or left is not for me to grant. These places belong to those for whom they have been prepared." 41 When the ten heard about this, they became indignant with James and John. 42 Jesus called them together and said, "You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. 43 Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, 44 and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. 45 For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

#### CH4 153

1. Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father, there is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not; as Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

Great is Thy faithfulness! (x2)

Morning by morning new mercies I see; all I have needed Thy hand hath provided,

great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

 Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest, sun, moon and stars in their courses above, join with all nature in manifold witness to Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love. Great is Thy faithfulness! (x2) Morning by morning new mercies I see; all I have needed Thy hand hath provided, great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me! 3. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide; strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

Great is Thy faithfulness! (x2)

Morning by morning new mercies I see; all I have needed Thy hand hath provided, great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me! Thomas O Chisholm © Hope Publishing Co.

Sermon: The good seats

As we sing and reflect we give our offerings to God for the Church and the Mission

## CH4 167 (vs 1,2)

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah pilgrim through this barren land; I am weak, but Thou art mighty, hold me with Thy powerful hand: Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven, feed me now and ever more, feed me now and ever more.

2. Open now the crystal fountain whence the healing stream doth flow; let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through: strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer, be Thou still my strength and shield, be Thou still my strength and shield.

William Williams (1717-1791)

# **Dedication of Offering and Prayer for Others**

#### CH4 528

1. Make me a channel of your peace. Where there is hatred let me bring Your love; where there is injury, Your pardon, Lord; and where there's doubt, true faith in You. Oh, Master, grant that I may never seek so much to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love with all my soul.

2. Make me a channel of Your peace.
Where there's despair in life let me bring hope;
where there is darkness, only light;
and where there's sadness, ever joy.

<u>Congregational Singing</u>
Oh, Master, grant that I may never seek
so much to be consoled as to console;
to be understood as to understand;

to be loved as to love with all my soul.

3. Make me a channel of Your peace. It is in pardoning that we are pardoned, in giving to all men that we receive, and in dying that we're born to eternal life. (end) Sebastian Temple from the Prayer of St Francis ©1967 OCP Publications

Ordination of Dennis Acquaye to the Eldership.

# RENEWAL OF COMMITMENT

#### The minister says:

Christ calls us all to share in his ministry. Let us, then, dedicate ourselves anew to his service. Let all stand. **To all**: Members and elders of this congregation: putting your whole trust in Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord, do you commit yourselves to love and serve his Church and Kingdom?

All respond: We do.

**To the congregation:** As members of this congregation, will you encourage and support your elders, surround them with your love, and remember them in your prayers?

Congregation respond: We will.

To the elders: In your service as elders, will you promise to carry out all your duties faithfully and cheerfully, God being your helper?

Consistory respond: We will.

#### CH4 374

- 1. From heaven you came, helpless babe, entered our world, your glory veiled; not to be served but to serve, and give Your life that we might live. This is our God, the Servant King, He calls us now to follow Him, to bring our lives as a daily offering of worship to the Servant King.
  - 2. There in the garden of tears, my heavy load He chose to bear; His heart with sorrow was torn, 'Yet not My will but Yours,' He said. This is our God. the Servant King....

3. Come see His hands and His feet, the scars that speak of sacrifice; hands that flung stars into space to cruel nails surrendered.

This is our God, the Servant King, He calls us now to follow Him, to bring our lives as a daily offering of worship to the Servant King.

Congregational Singing

4. So let us learn how to serve, and in our lives enthrone Him; each other's needs to prefer, for it is Christ we're serving. This is our God, the Servant King,... Graham Kendrick © 1983 Thankyou Music

#### **Benediction & Three-fold Amen**

#### In-person services

Welcome, if you are in church today for the in-person services. The number has been increased to 60 plus helpers. We would ask that you register through the church website to ensure a place on Sunday. Please follow the various instructions in place for your safety.

If you have issues registering contact the minister or church office. Thank you.

Live stream Services

Go to the church website at www.scotsintchurch.com and click on KERKDIENST GEMIST

# Upcoming services 14 November Remembrance Service & Peace Service 21st November Youth Service 12th December Sunday School Nativity Service

# We are OPEN

The SICR is open on Fridays 1.30pm to 4pm.

Come and enjoy a refreshment and a chat

Today's Worship Team
Preacher: Graham Austin
Prayer: Frieda
Bible Reader: Catherine

Organist: Netty
Children's message: Bob

Vocalists: Anneke
Collection & Counting: Frieda & Bridget
Beamer & Live Streaming: Lina & Rizal
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Date	Sermon	Reading
24 October	Shout out	Mark 10:46-52