

Welcome to the Scots International Church Rotterdam

A congregation of the Church of Scotland International Presbytery

Sunday 16th October 2022

May we know the blessing of God as we worship together.

Baptism of Julia

Today we welcome Julia Catharina Mbwoge Bilo to her baptism along with her parents Sander and Colette and her big sister Lucia.

House Groups/Bible Studies

Pilgrims House Group restarts on Monday 24 October Bergpolderstraat 53A, 3038KB Rotterdam. Contact Irene Bom on 06-52576892 Further opportunities for house groups is being explored. If you are interested contact the minister on gaustin@churchofscotland.org.uk

<u>Thinking of becoming a member of the SICR</u> <u>or renewing your membership vows?</u>

Sunday 27 November, the first Sunday of Advent, there will be an opportunity to become a member of the SICR by public profession of faith or simply to renew your membership vows whether taken at the SICR or another church. The build up to this will be a short 4 week course on the membership vows that are normally taken when a person becomes a member of the Church of Scotland. The course entitled the **ABC of Discipleship** will start on Tuesday 25 October at 7.30pm. This will be in-person and by Zoom. For more information contact the minister - details on the back page.

SICR Christmas Craft Fayre and Coffee Morning Saturday 3rd December 10:30 - 2.00

A Fun Fund raising idea for the church.

In preparation for a Christmas Craft Fare we are meeting in various ways, to make Christmas themed items. A sheet is pinned on the Lower Hall notice board for you to sign up to take part either in-person or at home. If in-person then join together on Fridays at from 6.30-8.30pm in the Lower Hall. Please let us know if you are making something! Any questions? Speak to Dee Austin or email the minister (contact details on the back). Craft materials and/or financial assistance welcomed. Special appeal: Do you have any empty jam jars, preferably with lids? Then bring them to the church.

Something to Celebrate

Congratulations to Mavis Fleming, Annemarie Smith-Bertschi, Johanna Essel, Patricia Ewing and Henny Vermeulen on their birthdays.

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Friday OPEN Afternoons

Tour the building, take a moment to pray, meet up with friends, enjoy a chat with others, you will be welcomed from

12:00 to 15:30 with tea/coffee. Soup available €2

Looking Ahead Sunday 30 October

ALL AGE Harvest Thanksgiving Service Sunday 13 November

Remembrance Sunday Peace Service 7.30pm Sunday 19 November

Youth Service Saturday 26 November

Messy Church

Sunday 27 November

First Sunday in Advent Introducing our Advent theme: 'Light in the Darkness'

Pray for today's Worship Team

Preacher: Rev. Graham Austin

Prayer: Bob Hensen

Reader:Reader Esther Karreman – Abang

Children's Talk: Mikayla Souman

Music: Netty Dijkstra

Beamer & Live streaming: Daniël de Jong

Sound: Stanley Murithi

Hospitality: Graham & Irene Jardine

Flowers: Family Bilo

Counting: Esther Abang and Mavis Fleming

Welcoming: Mickeal Vrijenhoek & Ranee Damanik

Door: Bob Hensen

Daily Devotional Readings

Monday 17	Psalm 129; Jeremiah 38:14-28; 1 Corinthians 6:1-11
Tuesday 18	Psalm 129; Jeremiah 39:1-18; James 5:7-12
Wednesday 19	Psalm 129; Jeremiah 50:1-7, 17-20; Luke 22:39-46
Thursday 20	Psalm 65; Joel 1:1-20; 2 Timothy 3:1-9
Friday 21	Psalm 65; Joel 2:1-11; 2 Timothy 3:10-15
Saturday 22	Psalm 65; Joel 2:12-22; Luke 1:46-55

Do you want a daily 'Thought for the Day'



WhatsApp group by texting: 06 3059 9641



At the beginning of the service you will be asked to stand as the Bible is brought forward.

Welcome

Call to worship

Give ear to my words, O Lord, consider my meditation. Listen to the voice of my cry, my King, and my God: for to you will I pray. (Psalm 5:1-2)

The Choir sing 'Standin' in the need of prayer'

Not my brother, not my sister, But it's me. O Lord. Standing in the need of prayer; (x2) It's me, it's me, it's me O Lord, Standing in the need of prayer; It's me, it's me, it's me O Lord, Standing in the need of prayer.

Not the preacher, not the deacon, But it's me. O Lord. Standing in the need of prayer; (x2) It's me, it's me, it's me O Lord,...

Not my father, not my mother, But it's me, O Lord, Standing in the need of prayer; (x2) It's me, it's me, it's me O Lord,...

Not the stranger, not my neighbour, But it's me, O Lord, Standing in the need of prayer; (x2) It's me, it's me, it's me O Lord,...

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

O Lord hear my prayer, when I call answer me. come and listen to me.

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Our Father, who art in heaven hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come.

Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. For thine is the kingdom,

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts,

as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

and the power, and the glory, for ever.

Children's Talk

Song

1. I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river.

2. I've got love like the ocean, I've got love like the ocean.

I've got peace like a river in my soul. (x2) I've got love like the ocean in my soul. (x2)

> 3. I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain, I've got joy like a fountain in my soul. (x2) Public domain

Reading: Luke 18:1-8

1 Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up. 2 He said: 'In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor cared what people thought. 3 And there was a widow in that town who kept coming to him with the plea, "Grant me justice against my adversary." 4 'For some time he refused. But finally he said to himself, "Even though I don't fear God or care what people think, 5 yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will see that she gets justice, so that she won't eventually come and attack me!" 6 And the Lord said, 'Listen to what the unjust judge says. 7 And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? 8 I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?'

Sermon: 'The praying woman'

Church offering and reflection as we listen to Netty Dijkstra

Dedicating the Offering

The Choir sing 'My heart is filled with thankfulness'

- 1. My heart is filled with thankfulness to Him who bore my pain; who plumbed the depths of my disgrace and gave me life again. Who crushed my curse of sinfulness, and clothed me in His light, and wrote His law of righteousness with power upon my heart.
- 2. My heart is filled with thankfulness to Him who walks beside; who floods my weaknesses with strength and causes fears to fly; whose every promise is enough for every step I take, sustaining me with arms of love and crowning me with grace.
- 3. My heart is filled with thankfulness to him who reigns above; whose wisdom is my perfect peace, whose every thought is love. For every day I have on earth is given by the King.
 So I will give my life, my all, to love and follow him.
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The baptism of Julia

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The Lord bless you, and keep you: the Lord make His face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you: the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace Numbers 6:24

Junior Praise 144

1. Joy is a flag flown high from the castle of my heart, from the castle of my heart, from the castle of my heart. Joy is a flag flown high from the castle of my heart for the King is in residence there. So let it fly in the sky, let the whole world know, let the whole world know, let the whole world know. So let it fly in the sky, let the whole world know that the King is in residence there. Copyright control

Prayer for Others

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- 1. Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord! Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice; tender to me the promise of His word; in God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.
- 2. Tell out, my soul, the greatness of His name! Make known His might, the deeds His arm has done; His mercy sure, from age to age the same;

His holy name - the Lord, the mighty One.

3. Tell out, my soul, the greatness of His might! Powers and dominions lay their glory by; proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight, the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.

4. Tell out, my soul, the glories of His word! Firm is His promise, and His mercy sure: tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord to children's children and forever more! For Europe and Africa @Timothy Dudley-Smith

Benediction and Threefold Amen
Please remain standing as the Bible is carried out.

There is a retiring collection for this month's Mission appeal: "Sint for Kint".

After service fellowship in the Lower Hall

Mission Offering for October

This month we support 'Sint voor Kint' to help children of families below 'the poverty line' to recieve a present at Sinterklaas or Christmas.

Please know that it is not expected that people contribute every Sunday to the Mission Offering.

Are you in need of prayer or pastoral care?

Or do you know someone who is? Would you like the minister to phone or visit 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



I will give thanks to the Lord because of his righteousness and will sing praise to the name of the Lord Most High. Psalm 7: 17

Come and join together as we celebrate our annual Harvest Thanksgiving.
Come with family, friends and neighbours.

After the service we will hold an auction in aid of church funds Food and drinks will be available.



- Your harvest offering can also be send

 * By bank account
- NL17 INGB 0000 1751 87 (ING) NL62 RABO 0373 7410 06 (RABO)
- * By envelope, available at the church.
- * By making a pledge.

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