



Welcome to the Scots International Church Rotterdam

A congregation of the Church of Scotland International Presbytery

Sunday 8th January 2023

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



SAVE THE DATE

Friday 27
January.

Plans are in hand
for a Social Evening
More details to follow

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

Something to Celebrate

Congratulations to Irene Bom and Florence Foyab-Bergner on their birthdays this week.

House Groups/Bible Studies

Pilgrims House Group Mondays at 7.30pm

Returns on 9 January 7.30pm

Contact Irene Bom on 06-52576892

Manse House Group Schiedamse Vest 121

Returns late January

Contact Graham (contact details on last page)

If you are interested in house groups email Marten & Mikayla our Fellowship Coordinators (mikayla.souman@gmail.com)



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

January Mission Offering

Sunday 29 January is World Leprosy Day. From their website we read, 'Leprosy still claims hundreds of thousands of victims each year, almost all of whom face exclusion. That is why every year on the last Sunday of January,

attention is drawn to the people who suffer from the consequences of this disease. For more info visit www.leprazending.nl/



Leprazending

A sending prayer

May we follow Your light into all the darkness of the world, overthrowing the old and tired ways, fighting for justice, forging paths to peace, loving those it's hard to love, knowing You go before us and call us to follow.

Amen.

Pray for today's Worship Team

Preacher: Rev. Graham Austin

Prayer: Esther Karreman-Abang

Children's Talk: Esther Karreman-Abang

Reader: Azmi Wahab

Music: Jan Hendrik van de Kamp

Live Streaming & Beamer: Edwin Teisman

Sound: Stanley Murithi

Hospitality: Ricky & Etiana Lim

Welcoming: Ruud Witte & Rinus Dekker

Flowers: Family Sebastian

Counting: Esther Abang and Molly Foster

Door: Jim Taylor

Consistory - Focus Meeting

Friday 13 January 7.30pm

**You are welcome to
after service fellowship in the Lower Hall**

Daily Devotional Readings

Monday 9	Psalm 89:5-37; Genesis 35:1-15; Acts 10:44-48	<p>Do you want a daily 'Thought for the Day' direct to your mobile? Then join the 'Thought for the day' WhatsApp group by texting: 06 3059 9641</p>  
Tuesday 10	Psalm 89:5-37; Jeremiah 1:4-10; Acts 8:4-13	
Wednesday 11	Psalm 89:5-37; Isaiah 51:1-16; Matthew 12:15-21	
Thursday 12	Psalm 40:1-11; Isaiah 22:15-25; Galatians 1:6-12	
Friday 13	Psalm 40:1-11; Genesis 27:30-38; Acts 1:1-5	
Saturday 14	Psalm 40:1-11; 1 Kings 19:19-21; Luke 5:1-11	

Welcome to the Service

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

Call to worship

Ascribe to the Lord, you heavenly beings,
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
Ascribe to the Lord the glory due to his name;
worship the Lord in the splendour of his holiness.

Psalms 29:1-2

Welcome

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1. Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness;
bow down before Him, His glory proclaim;
gold of obedience and incense of lowliness
bring, and adore Him; the Lord is His Name!

2. Low at His feet lay
thy burden of carefulness;
high on His heart He will bear it for thee;
comfort thy sorrows
and answer thy prayerfulness,
guiding thy steps as may best for thee be.

3. Fear not to enter His courts,
in the slenderness
of the poor wealth thou canst reckon as thine;
truth in its beauty, and love in its tenderness,
these are the offerings to lay on His shrine.

4. These, though we bring them
in trembling and fearfulness,
He will accept for the Name that is dear,
mornings of joy
give for evenings of tearfulness,
trust for our trembling, and hope for our fear.

John Samuel Bewley Monsell (1811-1875)

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 for ever. Amen

Children's Talk

Song

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.

by Irene Bom

Reading: Matthew 3:13-17

13 Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to be baptised by John. 14 But John tried to deter him, saying, 'I need to be baptised by you, and do you come to me?' 15 Jesus replied, 'Let it be so now; it is proper for us to do this to fulfil all righteousness.' Then John consented. 16 As soon as Jesus was baptised, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. 17 And a voice from heaven said, 'This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased.'

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*Spirit of God, unseen as the wind,
gentle as is the dove;
teach us the truth and help us believe,
show us the Saviour's love*

1. You spoke to us, long, long ago,
gave us the written word;
we read it still, needing its truth,
through it God's voice is heard.
Spirit of God, ...

2. Without your help we fail our Lord,
we cannot live his way;
we need your power, we need your strength,
following Christ each day.
Spirit of God, ...

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Sermon: 'Jesus - the man on our side'

We give our offering as we listen to musical item from Jan-Hendrik

Dedicating the Offering

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1. Christ is our light!
the bright and morning star
covering with radiance
all from near and far.
Christ be our light,
shine on, shine on we pray
into our hearts,
into our world today.

2. Christ is our love!
baptized that we may know
the love of God among us,
swooping low.
Christ be our love,
bring us to turn our face
and see in you the light
of heaven's embrace.

3. Christ is our joy! transforming wedding guest!
Through water turned to wine the feast was blessed.
Christ be our joy; your glory let us see,
as your disciples did in Galilee.

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Prayer for Others

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1. I will sing the wondrous story
of the Christ who died for me;
how He left His home in glory
for the cross on Calvary.
*Yes, I'll sing the wondrous story
of the Christ who died for me;
sing it with the saints in glory,
gathered by the crystal sea.*

2. I was lost: but Jesus found me
found the sheep that went astray,
raised me up and gently led me
back into the narrow way.
*Days of darkness still come o'er me;
sorrow's paths I often tread,
but His presence still is with me,
by His guiding hand I'm led.*

3. He will keep me till the river
rolls its waters at my feet,
then He'll bear me safely over,
made by grace for glory meet
*Yes, I'll sing the wondrous story
of the Christ who died for me;
sing it with the saints in glory,
gathered by the crystal sea.*

Francis Harold Rawley (1854-1952)

Benediction and Threefold Amen

Please remain standing as the Bible is carried out.

Name _____



Roots Activity sheet

8-14 January 2023
Baptism of the Lord



Matthew 3.13-17

Jesus knows that he is ready to be baptized before he starts to teach other people



Jesus is baptized before he starts to serve other people.



Draw someone being a cheerful helper ready to help, and someone who does not want to help others.



Thank someone who has helped you, by writing them a letter, letting them know how kind and cheerful they were.

Dear _____



How many smiley faces can you see hidden in this picture of Jesus being baptized by John?



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