

# Welcome to the Scots International Church Rotterdam

A congregation of the Church of Scotland International Presbytery

**Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2023**

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



## Today's Service

Please pray for Rev Irene Bom as she leads the worship today. Following the service soup will be available. (Don't forget to give a donation to cover costs.) There will also be flowers on sale in aid of church funds.

## Koningsdag Rotterdam

*We are all Kings & Queens.*

Thanks to all who contributed to Thursday's event.

## Something to Celebrate

Congratulations to Klazina Rigters and Mike Jang on their birthdays.

## 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 through the church Facebook page. Contact details below. Prayers can also be sent via the Prayer Coordinator, Irene Jardine, at [pray.sicr@gmail.com](mailto:pray.sicr@gmail.com)

## Pray for today's Worship Team

Preacher: Rev. Irene Bom  
Prayer: Molly Foster  
Bible Reader: Molly Foster  
Children's Talk: Rev. Irene Bom  
Music: Jan-Hendrik v.d. Kamp,  
& Margriet van Overbeeke  
Live Streaming & Beamer: Daniël de Jong  
Sound: Stanley Murithi  
Hospitality: Rinus Dekker, Malcolm Lager,  
Sofi Schulte, Alex & Azmi Wahab  
Welcoming: Ranee Damanik & John Essel  
Flowers: Family Fleming  
Counting: Molly Foster & Evelyn Koomson  
Door: Emmanuel Asare Awuku

## Daily Devotional Readings

## Something to Ponder

Whatever else one can say about the mental capacities of sheep, they have this in their favour: they recognize the voice of the one who cares for them. They follow their shepherd, but will not follow a stranger whose voice they do not know. (Elisabeth Johnson)

## April Mission Offering

This month we support Foundation Ma-Flo which helps children in Bali receive an education.



## Friday OPEN Afternoons

Fridays 12 to 3pm.

All welcome to enjoy tea, coffee and a chat. Soup also available at €2

## House Groups/Bible Studies

All the groups are open for new people or those who come every now and then

**Pilgrims House Group:** Mondays 8, 22 May, 5, 19 June at 7.30pm Bergpolderstraat 53A, 3038KB Rotterdam. Contact Irene Bom on 0652576892

**Manse House Group:** Tuesdays 2, 16, 30 May, 13 June at 7.30pm at Schiedamse Vest 121, 3012BH Rotterdam Contact Graham (contact details below)

**Drechtsteden House Group:**

**1st & 3rd Thursdays 7.30pm**

W.P Speelmanstraat 14 3333BW Zwijndrecht  
Contact: Mikayla Souman (details below)

**Prayer Warriors: Last Friday of the month at church 6-9pm worship, prayer & Bible study**  
Contact Frieda Enow 06 85297922

**LFFN (Ladies Fellowship and Fun Night)**

Look out for next meeting  
Contact Dee 0643136971

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

<b>Monday 1</b>	<b>Psalm 100; Ezekiel 34:17-23; 1 Peter 5:1-5</b>
<b>Tuesday 2</b>	<b>Psalm 100; Ezekiel 34:23-31; Hebrews 13:20-21</b>
<b>Wednesday 3</b>	<b>Psalm 100; Jeremiah 23:1-8; Matthew 20:17-28</b>
<b>Thursday 4</b>	<b>Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16; Genesis 12:1-3; Acts 6:8-15</b>
<b>Friday 5</b>	<b>Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16; Exodus 3:1-12; Acts 7:1-16</b>
<b>Saturday 6</b>	<b>Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16; Jeremiah 26:20-24; John 8:48-59</b>
<b>Sunday 7</b>	<b>Acts 7:55-60, Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16, 1 Peter 2:2-10 Sunday Reading: John 14:1-14</b>



**'Thought for the Day'**

On Facebook and via a WhatsApp group.  
Join by texting:  
06 3059 9641



**Welcome to the Service**  
**We stand as the Bible is brought forward**

**Call to worship** (congregation responses in bold)

Day by day, God leads us:

**to the deep, deep pools of peace, to the green, lush lawns of grace.**

Day by day, Jesus calls us:

**to pour out ourselves in service, to anoint the stranger with hope.**

Day by day, the Holy Spirit shows us:

**the community we could be, the family we are called to become.**

**CH4 160**

1. Praise my soul the King of heaven;  
to His feet thy tribute bring;  
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,  
who like me His praise should sing?  
*Praise Him! Praise Him! (x2)*  
*Praise the everlasting King!*

2. Praise Him for His grace and favour  
to our fathers in distress;  
praise Him, still the same forever,  
slow to chide, and swift to bless:  
*Praise Him! Praise Him! (x2)*  
*Praise the everlasting King!*

3. Father-like, He tends and spares us;  
well our feeble frame He knows;  
in His hands He gently bears us,  
rescues us from all our foes:  
*Praise Him! Praise Him! (x2)*  
*Praise the everlasting King!*

4. Frail as summer's flower we flourish;  
blows the wind and it is gone;  
but while mortals rise and perish,  
God endures unchanging on.  
*Praise him! Praise him! (x2)*  
*Praise the high eternal One.*

5. Angels help us to adore Him;  
ye behold Him face to face;  
sun and moon, bow down before Him;  
dwellers all in time and space.  
*Praise Him! Praise Him! (x2)*  
*Praise the everlasting King!*  
Henry Francis Lyte (1793-1847)

**Opening Prayer, Prayer of 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 for ever. Amen

**Children's Talk**

**Song**

1. The Old Testament tells us about  
The people of God before Jesus was born (x2)  
There are kings and priests and prophets too  
And people just like me and you  
So why don't you take a look  
in the Old Testament books?

2. The New Testament tells us about  
The people of God after Jesus was born (x2)  
There are gospel stories, letters too  
To people just like me and you  
So why don't you take a look  
in the New Testament books?

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**Church Announcements**

**John 10:1-10**

10 'Very truly I tell you Pharisees, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate, but climbs in by some other way, is a thief and a robber. 2 The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. 3 The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep listen to his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. 4 When he has brought out all his own, he goes on ahead of them, and his sheep follow him because they know his voice.

5 But they will never follow a stranger; in fact, they will run away from him because they do not recognise a stranger's voice.' 6 Jesus used this figure of speech, but the Pharisees did not understand what he was telling them. 7 Therefore Jesus said again, 'Very truly I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. 8 All who have come before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep have not listened to them. 9 I am the gate; whoever enters through me will be saved. They will come in and go out, and find pasture. 10 The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

### Song

*These are the words of the First and Last  
The One who came, who died, who rose again  
These are the words and the words are true  
These are the words of Jesus to you:*

1. I know, I know what you're going through  
I know, I know, 'cause I've been there too  
And be sure my love will carry you,  
All the way, all the way through

*These are the words of the First and Last  
The One who came, who died, who rose again  
These are the words and the words are true  
These are the words of Jesus to you:*

2. Fear not, fear not, there's no need to fear  
Fear not, fear not, because I am here  
And be sure my love will keep you strong,  
Ev'ry day, all the day long (end)

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### Sermon

#### MP 275

1. I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
'Come unto me and rest;  
lay down, thou weary one, lay down  
thy head upon my breast':  
I came to Jesus as I was,  
so weary, worn and sad;  
I found in Him a resting-place,  
and He has made me glad.

2. I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
'Behold I freely give  
the living water; thirsty one,  
stoop down and drink and live':  
I came to Jesus, and I drank  
of that life giving stream;  
my thirst was quenched,  
my soul revived, and now I live in him.

3. I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
'I am this dark world's light;  
look unto me, thy morn shall rise,  
and all thy day be bright':  
I looked to Jesus, and I found  
in him my Star, my Sun;  
and in the light of life I'll walk,  
till travelling days are done.

Horatius N Bonar (1808-1889)

As we receive the offering we reflect as we listen to Jan-Hendrik

### Dedication of Offering

### Prayer for Others

#### CH4 577

1. Christ be beside me,  
Christ be before me,  
Christ be behind me,  
King of my heart.  
Christ be within me,  
Christ be below me,  
Christ be above me,  
never to part.

2. Christ be on my right hand,  
Christ be on my left hand,  
Christ be all around me,  
shield in the strife.  
Christ in my sleeping,  
Christ in my sitting,  
Christ in my rising,  
light of my life.

3. Christ be in all hearts,  
thinking about me,  
Christ be in all tongues,  
telling of me.  
Christ be the vision,  
in eyes that see me,  
in ears that hear me,  
Christ ever be.

From St Patrick's Breastplate, 8<sup>th</sup> century ©  
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**Benediction and Threefold Amen**  
Please remain standing as the Bible is carried out.

After service fellowship in the Lower Hall for soup, tea, coffee and chat

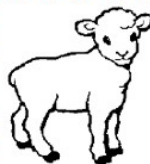
### The Shepherd's voice

'When he has brought out his own, he goes on ahead of them, and his sheep follow him because they know his voice.' (John 10:4)

Find the hidden words, the words have been placed horizontally, vertically or diagonally. When you locate a word, draw a circle around it.

LIFE	ROBBER	LISTEN
KNOW	NAME	SHEPHERD
SHEEP	THIEF	VOICE
LEADS	GATE	FOLLOW
STRANGER	PEN	SAVED

H I G K T G V L F T Z Z T E Z  
F O L L O W R E A L I M S F T  
V E S H E E P A X I J M T L U  
R Z S A V E D D E F N U H I J  
A Y O E N H X S D E D E I S R  
T C S Q A I N E T D  
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F A H M K Y C T G B  
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## Scots International Church

All sorts of jobs to do! **CHURCH CLEANING & MAINTENANCE DAY** Lunch is provided

**Saturday 20 May 2023**

**10 - 4pm**



to volunteer

Call Church Office: 010 412 4779

Email: [info@scotsintchurch.com](mailto:info@scotsintchurch.com)

Sign up sheet: Lower Hall

There are various jobs required to be done around the church. See insert and sign up sheets for more details.

Coming soon  
'Heilige Huisje'  
Rotterdam 2023!



**Heilige Huisjes** is an initiative that enables churches to open their doors to the general public as places of interest to visit around the city of Rotterdam. The SICR is supporting this event and the church will be open on **Saturday 10 June from 10-4pm**.

In the first week of May, a new website for this event will go live with a program of events around the city. There will be updates in the Order of Service and the Bulletin. So Save the Date.

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