



Welcome to the Scots International Church Rotterdam

A congregation of the Church of Scotland International Presbytery

Sunday 7th May 2023

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



Call for Summer Club volunteers!

Summer Club for the children will run on Sundays from 9 July - 20 August, with activities and games outside in the playground or in the lower hall during the service. Volunteers are needed to help out, as the number of children can vary each week. If you are able to help for one or more weeks, or would be able to lead activities (particularly in July) contact Rebecca Taylor at joyrebs@gmail.com or 0627012456.

Something to Celebrate

Congratulations to Marvellous Okoro Tiyyjudy, Gwen Wenfua and Grace Amoanyi Fosu 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. Prayers can also be sent via the Prayer Coordinator, Irene Jardine, at pray.sicr@gmail.com

Pray for today's Worship Team

Preacher: Graham Austin
Prayer: Raneé Damanik
Bible Reader: Ruud Witte
Children's Talk: Graham Austin
Music: Jan-Hendrik v.d. Kamp & Choir
Live Streaming & Beamer: Rizal Sabastian
Sound: Stanley Murithi
Hospitality: Evelyn Koomson & Menen Tessema
Welcoming: James Essel & Pam Russell
Flowers: Family Sebastian
Counting: Raneé Damanik & Dee Austin
Door: Bob Hensen

Daily Devotional Readings

Monday 8	Psalm 102:1-17; Exodus 13:17-22; Acts 7:17-40
Tuesday 9	Psalm 102:1-17; Proverbs 3:5-12; Acts 7:44-56
Wednesday 10	Psalm 102:1-17; Proverbs 3:13-18; John 8:31-38
Thursday 11	Psalm 66:8-20; Genesis 6:5-22; Acts 27:1-12
Friday 12	Psalm 66:8-20; Genesis 7:1-24; Acts 27:13-38
Saturday 13	Psalm 66:8-20; Genesis 8:13-19; John 14:27-29
Sunday 14	Acts 17:22-31, Psalm 66:8-20, 1 Peter 3:13-22 Next Sunday's text: John 14:15-21

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)

May Mission Offering

This month we support The Nazareth Trust—Hospital which “Heals in the name of Jesus.”



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 22 May, 5, 19 June at 7.30pm Bergpolderstraat 53A, 3038KB Rotterdam. Contact Irene Bom on 0652576892

Manse House Group: Tuesdays 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)



'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)

God is our Rock and our Fortress.
In God, we find refuge and strength.
God's house has many dwelling places.
We will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.
Christ himself has gone to prepare a place for us.
For us, Jesus is the way, the truth and the life.
So let us worship God in Spirit and in Truth.

Choir Introit: 'You are my hiding place'

CH4 588

Lord, I lift Your name on high;
Lord, I love to sing your praises.
I'm so glad You're in my life;
I'm so glad You came to save us.
*You came from heaven to earth
to show the way,
from the earth to the cross,
my debt to pay.
From the cross to the grave,
from the grave to the sky,
Lord, I lift Your name on high.*
Rick Founds © 1989 Maranatha! Music

MP 99

Come on and celebrate!
His gift of love, we will celebrate
the Son of God who loved us and gave us life.
We'll shout Your praise, O King:
you give us joy nothing else can bring;
we'll give to You our offering
in celebration praise.

*Come on and celebrate, celebrate,
celebrate and sing,
celebrate and sing to the King. (repeat)*
Patricia Morgan ©1984 Kingsway's Thankyou Music

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

JP 89

I am the way, the truth and the life.
That's what Jesus said.
I am the way, the truth and the life.
That's what Jesus said.
Without the way there is no going.
Without the truth there is no knowing.
Without the life there is no living.
I am the way, the truth and the life.
That's what Jesus said.

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Church Announcements

John 14:1-14

1 'Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. 2 My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. 4 You know the way to the place where I am going.' 5 Thomas said to him, 'Lord, we don't know where you are going, so how can we know the way?' 6 Jesus answered, 'I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. 7 If you really know me, you will know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him.'

8 Philip said, 'Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us.' 9 Jesus answered: 'Don't you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, "Show us the Father"? 10 Don't you believe that I am in the Father, and that the Father is in me? The words I say to you I do not speak on my own authority. Rather, it is the Father, living in me, who is doing his work. 11 Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; or at least believe on the evidence of the works themselves. 12 Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father. 13 And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. 14 You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it.'

Sermon

CH4 467

1. All my days, I will sing this song of gladness,
give my praise to the fountain of delights;
for in my helplessness you heard my cry,
and waves of mercy poured down on my life.

2. I will trust in the cross of my Redeemer,
I will sing of the love that never fails,
of sins forgiven, of conscience cleansed,
of death defeated and life without end.

*Beautiful Saviour, Wonderful counsellor,
clothed in majesty, Lord of history
you're the Way, the Truth, the Life.
Star of the Morning, glorious in holiness,
you're the Risen One, heaven's Champion,
and You reign, You reign over all.*

3. I long to be where the praise is never ending,
yearn to dwell where the glory never fades,
where countless worshippers will sing one song,
and cries of 'worthy' will honour the Lamb!
Beautiful Saviour,...

Stuart Townend ©1998 Kingway's Thankyou Music

Communion

Choir: CH4 532 'Lord, you have come to the seashore'

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

Dedication of Offering

Prayer for Others

CH4 192 (vs. 1, 2, 4, 5)

1. All my hope on God is founded;
all my trust he will renew;
safe through change and chance he guides me,
only good and only true:
God unknown,
he alone
calls my heart to be his own.

2. Human pride and earthly glory,
sword and crown betray God's trust;
though with care
and toil we build them,
tower and temple fall to dust.
But God's power,
hour by hour,
is my temple and my tower.

4. Day by day the mighty Giver
showers gifts on us below;
his desire our souls delight in,
pleasure leads us where we go.
See love stand
at his hand,
joy awaits at his command!

5. Still from earth to God in heaven
sacrifice of praise be done,
high above all praises praising
for the gift of Christ his Son.
Hear Christ call
one and all:
those who follow shall not fall.

Joachim Neander (1650-1680); Robert Bridges (1844-1930)

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

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

World Collage Day on Delfshaven Kunstroute

COME ✂ COLLAGE

with Irene & Margriet

Saturday 13 May 2023
between 2 and 5 pm

Culture Hub

Willem Buytewechstraat 144a,
3024 VG Rotterdam

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
Sign up sheet: Lower Hall

There are various jobs required to be done
around the church. Sign up at the entrance hall.



PLATFORM L&R
Levensbeschouwelijke en Religieuze organisatie Rotterdam

Check de deelnemers en het
programma op Kokenmetovertuiging.nl

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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