



Welcome to the Scots International Church Rotterdam

A congregation of the Church of Scotland International Presbytery

Sunday 14th 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 0627012456 or joyrebs@gmail.com

Something to Celebrate

Congratulations to Mavis Etienne-Massicott and Patricia Brown-Cuvulay 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 though 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: Rev. Graham Austin
Prayer: Fred Booman
Bible Reader: Annemiek van Ameijde
Children's Talk: Rev. Graham Austin
Music: Jan Hendrik v.d. Kamp
Live Streaming & Beamer: Anthony Evovo
Sound: Stanley Murithi
Hospitality: Erin & Barend Bentvelsen-MacDonald
Welcoming: Steve Russell & Ruud Witte
Flowers: Family Bilo
Counting: Fred Booman & Esther Karreman-Abang
Door: Ruud Witte

Daily Devotional Readings

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| Monday 15 | Psalm 93; Genesis 9:8-17; Acts 27:39-44 |
| Tuesday 16 | Psalm 93; Deuteronomy 5:22-33; 1 Peter 3:8-12 |
| Wednesday 17 | Psalm 93; Deuteronomy 31:1-13; John 16:16-24 |
| Thursday 18 | Psalm 47, Ephesians 1:15-23, Luke 24:44-53, Acts 1:1-11 |
| Friday 19 | Psalm 93; 2 Kings 2:1-12; Ephesians 2:1-7 |
| Saturday 20 | Psalm 93; 2 Kings 2:13-15; John 8:21-30 |
| Sunday 21 | Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35, Acts 1:6-14, 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11 Sunday Text: John 17:1-11 |



Happy Mother's Day

Mothering Sunday was once a major tradition in the UK and other parts of Europe, falling on the fourth Sunday of Lent. It was seen as a time when the faithful would return to their "mother church" or the main church in the area, for a special service.

Over time, the Mothering Sunday holiday became a more secular holiday, where children would gift their mothers flowers or other tokens of appreciation. In 1914, President Woodrow Wilson signed a measure which officially established the second Sunday of May as Mother's Day, a day for children to honour their mothers. The Dutch Mother's Day (Moederdag) was also introduced by the Salvation Army in 1916. Regardless of this history may God bless all with mothering qualities.

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. Graham (contact details back page)

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)

Let us see you this day, O God;
Come to us as light.
Let us hear you this day, O God;
Come to us as truth.
Let us sense your presence, O God;
Come to us as love.
Come and let us worship, God.
We have come to rejoice in God, our Saviour.

MP 454

Majesty, worship His majesty,
unto Jesus be glory, honour and praise.
Majesty, kingdom authority,
flows from His throne unto His own,
His anthem raise.
So exalt, lift up on high the name of Jesus,
magnify, come glorify Christ Jesus the King.
Majesty, worship His majesty,
Jesus who died, now glorified, King of all kings.

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MP 411

1. Let there be love shared among us,
let there be love in our eyes;
may now Your love sweep this nation,
cause us, O Lord, to arise.
Give us a fresh understanding
of brotherly love that is real;
let there be love shared among us,
let there be love.

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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

MP 49

Be bold, be strong,
for the Lord your God is with you.
Be bold, be strong,
for the Lord your God is with you.
I am not afraid, no, no, no!
I am not dismayed, not me!

Because I'm walking in
faith and victory,
come on and walk in
faith and victory,
for the Lord your God
is with you.

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Church Announcements

John 14:15-21

15 'If you love me, keep my commands. 16 And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you for ever – 17 the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. 18 I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. 19 Before long, the world will not see me any more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. 20 On that day you will realise that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you. 21 Whoever has my commands and keeps them is the one who loves me. The one who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love them and show myself to them.'

CH4 189

1. Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One is here;
come bow before Him now
with reverence and fear.
In Him no sin is found,
we stand on holy ground;
be still, for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy One is here.

2. Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around;
He burns with holy fire,
with splendour He is crowned.
How awesome is the sight,
our radiant King of light!
Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around.

3. Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place;
He comes to cleanse and heal, to minister His grace.
No work too hard for Him, in faith receive from Him;
be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place.

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Sermon

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

Dedication of Offering

CH4 596

1. Breathe on me, Breath of God,
fill me with life anew,
that I may love the way you love,
and do what you would do.

3. Breathe on me, Breath of God,
direct my heart's desire,
till every earthly part of me
glows with your holy fire.

2. Breathe on me, Breath of God,
until my heart is pure,
until with you I will one will,
to do and to endure.

4. Breathe on me, Breath of God,
so shall I never die,
but live with you the perfect life
of your eternity.

Edwin Hatch (1835-1889)

Prayer for Others

CH4 103 (tune Regent St.)

1. Fill your hearts with joy and gladness,
sing and praise your God and mine!
Great the Lord in love and wisdom,
might and majesty divine!
He who framed the starry heavens
knows and names them as they shine.

3. Praise the Lord for times and seasons,
cloud and sunshine, wind and rain;
spring to melt the snows of winter
till the waters flow again;
grass upon the mountain pastures,
golden valleys thick with grain.

2. Praise the Lord, his people, praise him!
Wounded souls his comfort know;
those who fear him find his mercies,
peace for pain and joy for woe;
humble hearts are high exalted,
human pride and power laid low.

4. Fill your hearts with joy and gladness,
peace and plenty crown your days;
love his laws, declare his judgments,
walk in all his words and ways;
he the Lord and we his children
praise the Lord, all people, praise!

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Benediction and Threefold Amen

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

May Mission Offering

This month we support the Nazareth Trust. You are invited, if able, to give once during the month to the mission project. Thank you for your support.



OPEN Afternoons - Fridays 12 to 3pm.
All welcome to enjoy tea, coffee and a chat.
Soup also available at €2

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



**Coming soon
'Heilige Huisje'
Rotterdam 2023!**

Heilige Huisjes is an initiative that enables churches and other religious buildings in Rotterdam 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.**

For more information about all the events visit www.heilighuisjesrotterdam.nl or speak to Christine Galloway.

Below is the intended program for the day:

10:00-16:00 The church will be open for guided tours of the church & mosaic wall.

10:30-12:30 Bagpipers will lead a walking tour, starting at the Waalse Kerk then to the Eendrachts Kapel, Russian Orthodox Church and finishing at the SCIR.

13:00-15:00 Poets will be performing in the SICR sanctuary. Gino van Weenen will bring poems by Robert Burns (English), Poetry by Michline Plukker (song) and Rajiv (guitar) (English), Tommy Ventevogel and Jaimee Brown.

What Matters

A man once went to a minister for counselling.

"I've lost everything!" he bemoaned.

"Oh," the preacher said, "I'm so sorry to hear you've lost your faith."

"No," the man corrected him, "I haven't lost my faith."

"Oh well then," the minister said, "I'm sad to hear you've lost your character."

"I didn't say that," the man corrected. "I still have my character."

"Then I'm so sorry to hear you've lost your salvation."

"That's not what I said," the man objected, beginning to lose his patience.

The preacher explained, "You have your faith, your character, your salvation. Seems to me, you've lost none of the things that really matter."

We haven't either. You and I could pray like the Puritan who sat down to a meal of bread and water. He bowed his head and declared, "All this and Jesus too?"

Max Lucado



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Check de deelnemers en het programma op Kokenmetovertuiging.nl

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