



Welcome to the Scots International Church Rotterdam

A congregation of the Church of Scotland International Presbytery

Sunday 17th December 2023

May your time here be a blessing from God

In the service...

... today is the Christmas Family Service. During the service there will be a short drama from Lucy and her friends called: 'A Christmas Story'

Also today the Sunday School will have their party.

The SICR Christmas Lunch

A Christmas Day Lunch in the Lower Hall.

Adult €7 Child €3



Menu
Soup/juice
Main course
Dessert
Tea/coffee



adult €7

The Christmas build up...

In **Advent 2023** Irene and Graham are taking us through a theme called:

We will explore some of the texts of this Old Testament prophet as he looked forward to the coming of the Messiah, **Jesus**.

Please note these dates

Dec 17 10.30am Christmas Family service
Followed by Sunday School party
7.30pm Carol service



December Mission Offering

For **December** we support the **Youth Group's** Compassion project: '**A Bible for a child in poverty**'

If you would like to know more then visit **www.Compassion.nl**. Then scroll to the bottom and click on 'Blog'. On the right of the page click 'select category' and choose 'Funds'. Once again scroll down and click on 'A Bible for a child in poverty'. Thanks for your support.

Please note that you are not expected to give every week.

House Groups/Bible Studies

Pilgrims Group: Back 29 January

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

LEFN (Ladies Fellowship and Fun Night)

Contact Dee 0643136971 or Sofi 0684279243

Pray for today's Worship Team

Preacher: Rev Irene Bom
Prayer: Raneë Damanik
Bible Reader: Dick Gerla
Music: Netty Dijkstra
Live Streaming & Beamer: Anthony Evovo
Sound: Stanley Murithi
Hospitality: Rinus Dekker
Welcoming: Wiltje Everts & Pam Russell
Flowers: The Church
Counting: Raneë Damanik & Esther Abang
Door: Fred Booman

International Presbytery

There is an opportunity to travel to Scotland on pilgrimage for 12 people from 8th -16th June 2024. You need to book before 8 January 2024. If you are interested please check the notice boards for further details.

Daily Devotional Readings

Monday 18	Psalm 125; 1 Kings 18:1-18; Ephesians 6:10-17	<u>Something to Celebrate</u> Congratulations to who celebrate a birthday this week.
Tuesday 19	Psalm 125; 2 Kings 2:9-22; Acts 3:17-4:4	
Wed. 20	Psalm 125; Malachi 3:16-4:6; Mark 9:9-13	
Thursday 21	Psalm 89:1-4, 19-26; 2 Samuel 6:1-11; Heb. 1:1-4	
Friday 22	Psalm 89:1-4, 19-26; 2 Samuel 6:12-19; Heb. 1:5-14	<u>SICR Open Afternoon</u> Friday 29 December From 12 to 2pm in the Lower Hall
Saturday 23	Psalm 89:1-4, 19-26; Judges 13:2-24; John 7:40-52	
Sunday 24	Psalm 89:1-4, 19-26; Romans 16:25-27; Luke 1:26-38 Sunday Text: Isaiah 9:2-7	

At the beginning of the service you will be asked to stand as the Bible is carried in

Welcome and Church announcements

Call to worship and Advent Candle
CH4 543 (chorus only) 'Christ be our light'

MP 342 Infant holy, infant lowly

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 forever. Amen.

Bible reading: Isaiah 40:1-11

Sermon Part one: 'Comfort and joy'



Sermon Part two: 'Comfort and joy'

CH4 320 Joy to the world

Offering

Dedication of Offering and Prayers for Others

CH4 302 A starry night

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

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