

Sunday between August 14 and August 20 inclusive

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The Church of Scotland

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Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Auditoire de Calvin, August 18 2024

Prelude *Prelude*

César Franck (1822–1890)

Welcome

Call to Worship

May all I say and all I think

Be harmonious with thee,

God within me, God beyond me

Maker of the trees.

(Chinook Tribe prayer)

CH4 103 *Fill your hearts with joy and gladness*

Prayer and Lord's prayer

All-age talk

CH4 550 *As the deer pants for the water*

Old Testament *1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14*

Solomon's prayer for wisdom

Then David slept with his ancestors, and was buried in the city of David. The time that David reigned over Israel was forty years; he reigned for seven years in Hebron, and thirty-three years in Jerusalem. So Solomon sat on the throne of his father David; and his kingdom was firmly established.

Solomon loved the Lord, walking in the statutes of his father David; only, he sacrificed and offered incense at the high places. The king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the principal high place; Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt-offerings on that altar. At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I should give you." And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness, in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart towards you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father

David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?"

It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you. I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and honour all your life; no other king shall compare with you. If you will walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and my commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your life."

Offering

Music *Come, and Christ the Lord be praising*
Jan Bender (1909-1994)

CH4 807 (as the offering is brought forward)
Praise God from whom all blessings flow

CH4 496 (We say together)

CH4 172 *Sing for God's glory*

Sermon

CH4 604 *Holy wisdom*

Prayers for others (ends as we say hymn 508)

CH4 686 *How happy are all they who hear*
Blessing & threefold Amen

Postlude *Dialogue sur les grands jeux*
Louis-Nicolas Clérambault (1676-1749)

*Join us upstairs in the
Salle Théodore de Bèze for
refreshments!*

Welcoming elder: Mak Ikeda
Ushers: Jenny Rietbergen
Reader: Peter Tulloch
Organist: Rebecca MacDonald

Congregational away-day

September 21: Château de Bossey
(bit.ly/3Wd3CAK). Contact Christine Buhler to sign up: buhlerchristine@hotmail.com

Special Malawi appeal (bit.ly/3S1DKa0)

Han and Jane Broere will take our donations to Ekwendeni when they visit next month.

Nourishing Minds book and DVD sale

August 30–September 1: See bit.ly/4dAyWAt



Partage

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