

Sunday between September 4 and September 10 inclusive

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*Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

*Auditoire de Calvin, September 8 2024*

**Prelude** *Basse de Cromorne*

Louis-Nicolas Clérambault (1676-1749)

**Introit** *Trust in God* (Psalm 125)

Welcome

**Call to worship**

**O thou who camest from above**

**the fire celestial to impart,**

**kindle a flame of sacred love**

**on the mean altar of my heart.**

Charles Wesley 1707-1788

**CH4 510** (1-3) *Jesus calls us here to meet him*

**Prayer and Lord's prayer**

**Children's talk**

Song with guitar *He's got the whole world...*

**New Testament** *1 Corinthians 12:12-27*

Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ. For we were all baptized by one Spirit so as to form one body—whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink. Even so the body is not made up of one part but of many.

Now if the foot should say, “Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,” it would not for that reason stop being part of the body. And if the ear should say, “Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,” it would not for that reason stop being part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the sense of hearing be? If the whole body were an ear, where would the sense of smell be? But in fact God has placed the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be. If they were all one part, where would the body be? As it is, there are many parts, but one body.

The eye cannot say to the hand, “I don't need you!” And the head cannot say to the feet, “I don't need you!” On the contrary, those parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and the parts that we think are less honourable we treat with special honour. And the parts that are unpresentable are treated with special modesty, while our

presentable parts need no special treatment. But God has put the body together, giving greater honour to the parts that lacked it, so that there should be no division in the body, but that its parts should have equal concern for each other. If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honoured, every part rejoices with it.

Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it.

### **Offering**

**Music** *I stand at the threshold*, Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

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

### **Prayer of dedication**

**CH4 497** *Almighty Father of all things that be*

## **Sermon**

**CH4 251** *I, the Lord of sea and sky*

### **Ordination of elders**

*Rebecca Dirks McDonald, Jenny Rietbergen*

**CH4 622** *We sing a love that sets all people free*

**Blessing** *We say together hymn 508*

**1. I bind my heart this tide**

**To the Galilean's side**

**To the wounds of Calvary**

**To the Christ who died for me.**

**2. I bind my soul this day**

**To the neighbour far away**

**And the stranger near at hand**

**In this town, and in this land.**

**3. I bind my heart and soul**

**To the God, the Lord of all**

**To the God, the poor one's friend**

**And the Christ whom he did send.**

**4. I bind myself to peace**

**To make strife and envy cease.**

**My God, fasten sure the cord**

**Of my service to the Lord.**

Lachlan McLean Watt (1867-1957)

**Threefold Amen**

**Postlude** *Prelude in D major*, JS Bach

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

*Welcoming elder:* Rosaleen Walker  
*Ushers:* Douglas Hogg, Robert Walker  
*Reader:* Jane McKenzie  
*Organ:* Rebecca Dirks McDonald  
*Choir:* Páraic Réamonn

### **Flower rota**

If you would like to donate flowers on a particular date (or dates!), please email Rosemary Hill ([hillrosemary@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:hillrosemary@yahoo.co.uk)) or fill in your name on the sheet in the Salle.

### **Partage**

Our *Partage* collections on the first Sunday of the month have started again. Donations can also be left in the boxes in the Salle on other Sundays. See [bit.ly/47Ln0sT](http://bit.ly/47Ln0sT)

**September 25, 14h** Our book club, courtesy of Gillian Friedli. Book: *Hamnet*, Maggie O'Farrell. 4th floor restaurant, Coop City, Plainpalais. See [bit.ly/3X9nG7H](http://bit.ly/3X9nG7H)

**October 5, 9-17h** *Transforming our life in Christ*. An Ignatian Way retreat, Château de Bossey, cost CHF 50, including morning coffee and lunch. See [bit.ly/3ZaVNig](http://bit.ly/3ZaVNig)

**October 19, 18h**, Auditoire de Calvin. Autumn concert in aid of our mission project, Lalgadh Leprosy Hospital, Nepal. Music by Gabriel Fauré, music from Japan. Xavier Dami, Vivien Liu, Ensemble "Cotori". See [bit.ly/47gzE4a](http://bit.ly/47gzE4a)

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