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Ascension



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Auditoire de Calvin, June 1 2025

Sunday after the Ascension

Prelude *Dies sind die heil'gen zehn Gebot*
Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750). BWV 678

Introit *Hail to the Lord's anointed*, verses 1–3
James Montgomery (1771–1834). *King's Lynn*

Welcome

Call to worship

The Lord is king! Let the earth rejoice;

let the many coastlands be glad!

The heavens proclaim his righteousness;

and all the peoples behold his glory.

Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous,

and give thanks to his holy name!

CH4 436 *Christ triumphant, ever reigning*

Prayer and Lord's prayer

Talk with children

Song *Jesus's love is very wonderful*

Jesus's love is very wonderful (x3)

O wonderful love!

So high, you can't get over it

So low, you can't get under it

So wide, you can't get round it,

O wonderful love!

New Testament Acts 16:16-34

One day as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a female slave who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you the way of salvation." She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour.

But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men, these Jews, are disturbing our city and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us, being Romans, to adopt or observe." The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After

they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken, and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They answered, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them, and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

Sermon

CH4 565 *My life flows on in endless song*

Offering

Music *Improvisation*

CH4 807 *Praise God from whom all blessings flow*

(as the offering is brought forward)

Prayer of dedication

CH4 540 *I heard the voice of Jesus say*
(tune CH4 291, *Kingsfold*)

The Lord's Supper

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise...

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest...**

**Christ has died;
Christ is risen;
Christ will come again.**

Prayers for others

CH4 680 *You are called to tell the story*

Benediction & threefold Amen

Song *May the Lord bless you*
May the Lord bless you,
May the Lord keep you,
May the Lord make
his face to shine upon you. (x2)

and give you peace (x2)

Postlude *Fugue in G major*
Johann Sebastian Bach. BWV 576



Don't go away!

*Members of the congregation are asked
to stay behind for the annual
congregational meeting, which will start
directly after the service*

Worship leader Rev Graham Austin
Welcoming elder Lyndsey Bochaton
Ushers Sherree Atkinson, Vivien Liu
Reader Nan Braunschweiger
Organ Gilles Martinet
Choir Páraic Réamonn

Partage, the Geneva foodbank

Collection on the first Sunday of each month.
A list of suitable items can be found at the back of the church. See bit.ly/47Ln0sT

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

June 1 Service followed immediately by the Annual Congregational Meeting.

June newsletter – Last chance! Late contributions to buhlerchristine@hotmail.com

June 3, 19h30 – Last chance!

Discipleship in Practice

International Presbytery online Bible study

To join, email dlloyd@churchofscotland.org.uk

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