

# Proper 16 (21)





# The Church of Scotland

# WELCOME



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Auditoire de Calvin, August 24 2025 Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

We stand to sing. After the doxology, we remain standing for the prayer of dedication. After the final hymn, we remain standing for the benediction and threefold Amen.

Prelude O Gott, du frommer Gott Johannes Brahms (1833–1897) Introit Healer of our every ill Marty Haugen (b.1950)

#### Welcome

# Call to worship

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name.
Bless the Lord, O my soul, and do not forget all his benefits—who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the Pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,

who satisfies you with good as long as you live so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

The Lord works vindication and justice for all who are oppressed. He made known his ways to Moses, his acts to the people of Israel. The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

(from *Psalm* 103)

**CH4 130** Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim

#### Opening prayers

Children's message
CH4 172 Sing for God's glory that colours the
dawn of creation

**Old Testament** *Isaiah* 8:9–14 "Take notice, you peoples, and be dismayed; listen, all you far countries;

gird yourselves and be dismayed! Take counsel together, but it shall be brought to naught;

speak a word, but it will not stand, for God is with us."

The LORD spoke thus to me while his hand was strong upon me and warned me not to walk in the way of this people, saying: "Do not call conspiracy all that this people calls conspiracy, and do not fear what it fears or be in dread. But the LORD of hosts, him you shall regard as holy; let him be your fear, and let him be your dread. He will become a sanctuary, a stone one strikes against; for both houses of Israel he will become a rock one stumbles over, a trap and a snare for the inhabitants of Jerusalem.

## Gospel Luke 13:10-17

Now he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the Sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured and not on the Sabbath day." But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the Sabbath until his ox or his donkey from the manger and lead it to water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the Sabbath day?" When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame, and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things being done by him.

CH4 241 Isaiah the prophet has written of old

Sermon – God's justice through Christ

**Aria** My heart ever faithful, sing praises, be joyful

BWV 68. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

### Offering

**Chorale prelude** God of Heaven and Earth Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877–1933)

**Doxology** (as the offering is brought forward)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

## Prayer of dedication

CH4 262 For the world and all its people

Prayers for the world and all its people The Lord's Prayer

CH4 515 Soldiers of Christ arise

**Benediction and threefold Amen** 

**Postlude** *No. 2 from Opus 101* Charles Villiers Stanford (1852–1924)



Join us for refreshments after the service in the Salle Théodore de Bèze upstairs

Welcoming elder Rosaleen Walker
Ushers Jürg Strittmatter, Robert Walker
Readers Rosaleen Walker, Antonia Chapman
Nyaho
Organ Peter Billington
Sunday School Arthur Askew, Cornis Van der Lugt

Refreshments Jason Leger, Rosaleen Walker

Worship leader Mark Jeffrey

Newsletter Contributions to Páraic Réamonn (paraic.reamonn@gmail.com) by Sept 12
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

Our congregational lunch starts again on Sunday August 31, and our Partage collection on Sunday September 7

**September 16, 19h30** Congregational committee

September 22, 19h30 Kirk session, in the manse, with the interim moderator
September 23 & October 21, 19h30
International Presbytery seminars for those leading prayers of intercession in worship
September 27, 9h to 17h Congregational away day with the Scots Kirk, Lausanne, in Arzier-les-Muids. Details bit.ly/3JfbzCA
October 10-12 International Presbytery Ams
November 22 St Andrew's Fair & Cèilidh



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