

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> July, 2025

The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Minister: Rev. Ian Taylor, A.C.I.B.S., B.D., Th.M., Dip. P.S.R.P.

Musical Director: Mr. Alan Craig. B.Mus., P.G.C.E

Guest Preacher: Rev. Janet Mathieson M.A., B.D., A.L.C.M., P.G.S.E.

Members of the congregation who are able to stand are invited to do so as the Bible is brought in and taken out of the Church.

### Intimations

- We welcome Rev. Janet S Mathieson, M.A., B.D., A.L.C.M., P.G.S.E. to our Pulpit this morning.
- Please ensure all **mobile phones 📱 are switched off or in silent mode** during the Service.
- **Please place your offering in the Offering Plates** as these are uplifted during the Service.
- **Tea and Coffee** will be available after Church today in the **Cameron Hall**.
- There will **NOT** be a Vestry Hour or midweek service until **30<sup>th</sup> July, 2025**.
- **Gallus Outlaws Theatre Group** presents 'A Wee Dod O' Glesca' to celebrate **Glasgow's 850<sup>th</sup> Birthday through songs and sketches** at **Springfield Cambridge Church** on **25<sup>th</sup> July at 7.30 pm and on 26<sup>th</sup> July at 2.00 pm and 7.30 pm**. Tickets priced **£5.00** can be purchased at the door.
- Tickets (**£10/£6**) for the concert in the Church in aid of **SAMH** on **Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> August, 2025 at 6.45pm** with **Euan Russell & Friends** are now available in the Hall of Fellowship.

### Introit

### Call to Worship

### Hymn 225 Summer suns are glowing

- 1 Summer suns are glowing  
over land and sea;

happy light is flowing,  
bountiful and free.  
Everything rejoices  
in the mellow rays;  
all earth's thousand voices  
swell the psalm of praise.

- 2 See God's mercy streaming  
over all the world,  
and his banner gleaming,  
everywhere unfurled.  
Broad and deep and glorious,  
as the heaven above,  
shines in might victorious  
his eternal love.

- 3 Lord, upon our blindness  
your pure radiance pour;  
for your loving-kindness  
make us love you more.  
And, when clouds are drifting  
dark across the sky,  
then, the veil uplifting,  
Father, still be nigh.

- 4 We will never doubt you,  
though you veil your light;  
life is dark without you;  
death with you is bright.  
Light of light, shine o'er us  
on our pilgrim way;  
still go on before us,  
to the endless day.

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### Call to Prayer

Prayer of Approach and Confession

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**ST LUKE, Chapter 12, verses 22-31**

<sup>22</sup> He said to his disciples, 'Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat, or about your body, what you will wear. <sup>23</sup> For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. <sup>24</sup> Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! <sup>25</sup> And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life?<sup>[d]</sup> <sup>26</sup> If then you are not able to do so small a thing as that, why do you worry about the rest? <sup>27</sup> Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin;<sup>[e]</sup> yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. <sup>28</sup> But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you—you of little faith! <sup>29</sup> And do not keep striving for what you are to eat and what you are to drink, and do not keep worrying. <sup>30</sup> For it is the nations of the world that strive after all these things, and your Father knows that you need them. <sup>31</sup> Instead, strive for his<sup>[f]</sup> kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well.

**Hymn 641 Seek ye first the kingdom of God**

- 1      Seek ye first the kingdom of God  
and his righteousness;  
and all these things shall be added unto you;  
allelu, alleluia.  
*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*
- 2      Ask, and it shall be given unto you,  
seek, and ye shall find;  
knock, and the door shall be opened unto you;  
allelu, alleluia.  
*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

- 3      You shall not live by bread alone,  
but by every word  
that proceeds from the mouth of the Lord;  
allelu, alleluia.  
*Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*

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**Psalm 107, verses 23-32**

- Some went down to the sea in ships,  
doing business on the mighty waters;  
<sup>24</sup> they saw the deeds of the Lord,  
his wondrous works in the deep.  
<sup>25</sup> For he commanded and raised the stormy wind,  
which lifted up the waves of the sea.  
<sup>26</sup> They mounted up to heaven, they went down to the depths;  
their courage melted away in their calamity;  
<sup>27</sup> they reeled and staggered like drunkards,  
and were at their wits' end.  
<sup>28</sup> Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble,  
and he brought them out from their distress;  
<sup>29</sup> he made the storm be still,  
and the waves of the sea were hushed.  
<sup>30</sup> Then they were glad because they had quiet,  
and he brought them to their desired haven.  
<sup>31</sup> Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love,  
for his wonderful works to humankind.  
<sup>32</sup> Let them extol him in the congregation of the people,  
and praise him in the assembly of the elders.

**Acts, Chapter 13, verses 4-13a**

The Apostles Preach in Cyprus

<sup>4</sup> So, being sent out by the Holy Spirit, they went down to Seleucia; and from there they sailed to Cyprus. <sup>5</sup> When they arrived at Salamis, they

proclaimed the word of God in the synagogues of the Jews. And they had John also to assist them. <sup>6</sup> When they had gone through the whole island as far as Paphos, they met a certain magician, a Jewish false prophet, named Bar-Jesus. <sup>7</sup> He was with the proconsul, Sergius Paulus, an intelligent man, who summoned Barnabas and Saul and wanted to hear the word of God. <sup>8</sup> But the magician Elymas (for that is the translation of his name) opposed them and tried to turn the proconsul away from the faith. <sup>9</sup> But Saul, also known as Paul, filled with the Holy Spirit, looked intently at him <sup>10</sup> and said, 'You son of the devil, you enemy of all righteousness, full of all deceit and villainy, will you not stop making crooked the straight paths of the Lord? <sup>11</sup> And now listen—the hand of the Lord is against you, and you will be blind for a while, unable to see the sun.' Immediately mist and darkness came over him, and he went about groping for someone to lead him by the hand. <sup>12</sup> When the proconsul saw what had happened, he believed, for he was astonished at the teaching about the Lord.

#### **Hymn 478 Behold the amazing gift of God**

- 1 Behold the amazing gift of love  
the Father hath bestowed  
on us, in calling us his own,  
the children of our God.
- 2 Concealed as yet this honour lies,  
by this dark world unknown  
a world that knew not when he came,  
even God's eternal Son.
- 3 High is the rank we now possess;  
but higher we shall rise,  
though what we shall hereafter be  
is hid from mortal eyes.

- 4 Our souls, we know, when he appears,  
shall bear his image bright;  
for all his glory, full disclosed,  
shall open to our sight.
- 5 A hope so great and so divine  
may trials well endure;  
and purge the soul from sense and sin,  
as Christ himself is pure.

Scottish Paraphrases, 1781 Isaac Smith, Isaac Watts, William Cameron

#### **Sermon - Mediterranean Cruise - Cyprus**

The Offering (& Sung Doxology: Hymn 807)

Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father which art in heaven,  
Hallowed be thy Name.  
Thy Kingdom come.  
Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:  
For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

#### **Hymn 286 Tell out my soul**

- 1 Tell our, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!  
Unnumbered blessings, give my spirit voice;  
tender to me the promise of his word;  
in God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.

- 2 Tell out my soul, the greatness of his name!  
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;  
his mercy sure, from age to age the same;  
his holy Name, the Lord, the Mighty One.
  
- 3 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!  
Powers and dominions lay their glory by.  
Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,  
The hungry fed, the humble lifted high.
  
- 4 Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!  
Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.  
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord  
to children's children and for evermore!

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**Benediction**

**Choral Amen**