


Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> July, 2025  
The Seventh 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 be a Vestry Hour on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at 10.00 am followed by our mid-week Service at 11.10 am.
- 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.
- GLASGOW CLOSE KNIT 850 invites you to an exhibition of the hundreds of knitted and crocheted blankets that have been carefully crafted by churches, community groups and individuals as an expression of care for the most vulnerable individuals across the city and beyond the city and beyond who live in need of security and warmth.  
THE 1873 HALL; THE BRIGGAIT; G1 5HZ  
MONDAY 11<sup>th</sup> - THURSDAY 14<sup>th</sup> AUGUST - 9.00 am - 5.00 pm

Introit

Call to Worship

### Hymn 100 O Lord thou art my God and King:

- 1 O Lord, thou art my God and King;  
thee will I magnify and praise:  
I will thee bless, and gladly sing  
unto thy holy name always.
- 2 Each day I rise I will thee bless,  
and praise thy name time without end.  
Much to be praised, and great God is;  
his greatness none can comprehend.
- 3 Race shall thy works praise unto race,  
the mighty acts show done by thee.  
I will speak of the glorious grace,  
and honour of thy majesty;
- 4 Thy wondrous works I will record.  
By many shall the might be told  
of all thy awesome acts, O Lord:  
and I thy greatness will unfold.

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Call to Prayer

Prayers of Approach and Confession

Address

**ST MARK, Chapter 6, verses 30-34**

### Feeding the Five Thousand

30 The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. 31 He said to them, 'Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.' For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. 32 And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. 33 Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. 34 As he went ashore, he saw a great

crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

**JUNIOR PRAISE 272 – We've a story to tell to the nations,**

- 1 We've a story to tell to the nations,  
that shall turn their hearts to the right,  
a story of truth and sweetness,  
a story of peace and light,  
a story of peace and light:

*For the darkness shall turn to dawning,  
and the dawning to noon-day bright,  
and Christ's great kingdom shall come on earth,  
the kingdom of love and light.*

- 2 We've a song to be sung to the nations,  
that shall lift their hearts to the Lord;  
a song that shall conquer evil,  
so love will replace the sword,  
so love will replace the sword.  
*Chorus*

- 3 We've a message to give to the nations,  
that the Lord who's reigning above  
has sent us His Son to save us,  
and show us that God is love,  
and show us that God is love:  
*Chorus*

- 4 We've a Saviour to show to the nations,  
who the path of sorrow has trod,  
that all of the world may listen  
and learn of the truth of God,  
and learn of the truth of God:

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**Acts, Chapter 18, verse 19-21; 24-28**

19 When they reached Ephesus, he left them there, but first he himself went into the synagogue and had a discussion with the Jews. 20 When they asked him to stay longer, he declined; 21 but on taking leave

of them, he said, 'I will return to you, if God wills.' Then he set sail from Ephesus.

**Ministry of Apollos**

24 Now there came to Ephesus a Jew named Apollos, a native of Alexandria. He was an eloquent man, well-versed in the scriptures. 25 He had been instructed in the Way of the Lord; and he spoke with burning enthusiasm and taught accurately the things concerning Jesus, though he knew only the baptism of John. 26 He began to speak boldly in the synagogue; but when Priscilla and Aquila heard him, they took him aside and explained the Way of God to him more accurately. 27 And when he wished to cross over to Achaia, the believers encouraged him and wrote to the disciples to welcome him. On his arrival he greatly helped those who through grace had become believers, 28 for he powerfully refuted the Jews in public, showing by the scriptures that the Messiah is Jesus.

**Acts, Chapter 19, verse 1; 23- Chapter 20 verse 1**

**Paul in Ephesus**

19 While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul passed through the inland regions and came to Ephesus, where he found some disciples.

23 About that time no little disturbance broke out concerning the Way. 24 A man named Demetrius, a silversmith who made silver shrines of Artemis, brought no little business to the artisans. 25 These he gathered together, with the workers of the same trade, and said, 'Men, you know that we get our wealth from this business. 26 You also see and hear that not only in Ephesus but in almost the whole of Asia this Paul has persuaded and drawn away a considerable number of people by saying that gods made with hands are not gods. 27 And there is danger

not only that this trade of ours may come into disrepute but also that the temple of the great goddess Artemis will be scorned, and she will be deprived of her majesty that brought all Asia and the world to worship her.'

28 When they heard this, they were enraged and shouted, 'Great is Artemis of the Ephesians!' 29 The city was filled with the confusion; and people[c] rushed together to the theatre, dragging with them Gaius and Aristarchus, Macedonians who were Paul's travelling-companions. 30 Paul wished to go into the crowd, but the disciples would not let him; 31 even some officials of the province of Asia who were friendly to him, sent him a message urging him not to venture into the theatre. 32 Meanwhile, some were shouting one thing, some another; for the assembly was in confusion, and most of them did not know why they had come together. 33 Some of the crowd gave instructions to Alexander, whom the Jews had pushed forward. And Alexander motioned for silence and tried to make a defence before the people. 34 But when they recognized that he was a Jew, for about two hours all of them shouted in unison, 'Great is Artemis of the Ephesians!' 35 But when the town clerk had quietened the crowd, he said, 'Citizens of Ephesus, who is there that does not know that the city of the Ephesians is the temple-keeper of the great Artemis and of the statue that fell from heaven? 36 Since these things cannot be denied, you ought to be quiet and do nothing rash. 37 You have brought these men here who are neither temple-robbers nor blasphemers of our goddess. 38 If therefore Demetrius and the artisans with him have a complaint against anyone, the courts are open, and there are proconsuls; let them bring charges there against one another. 39 If there is anything further you want to know, it must be settled in the regular assembly. 40 For we are in danger of being charged with rioting today, since there is no cause that we can give to justify this commotion.' 41 When he had said this, he dismissed the assembly.

### **Paul Goes to Macedonia and Greece**

20 After the uproar had ceased, Paul sent for the disciples; and after encouraging them and saying farewell, he left for Macedonia.

### **Hymn 363 We have a gospel to proclaim,**

- 1 We have a gospel to proclaim,  
good news for all throughout the earth;  
the gospel of a Saviour's name:  
we sing his glory, tell his worth.
- 2 Tell of his birth at Bethlehem  
not in a royal house or hall  
but in a stable dark and dim,  
the Word made flesh, a light for all.
- 3 Tell of his death at Calvary,  
hated by those he came to save,  
in lonely suffering on the Cross;  
for all he loved his life he gave.
- 4 Tell of that glorious Easter morn -  
empty the tomb, for he was free.  
He broke the power of death and hell  
that we might share his victory.
- 5 Tell of his reign at God's right hand,  
by all creation glorified.  
He sends his Spirit on his Church  
to live for him, the Lamb who died.
- 6 Now we rejoice to name him King:  
Jesus is Lord of all the earth.  
This gospel-message we proclaim:  
we sing his glory, tell his worth.

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### **Sermon - Mediterranean Cruise - Turkey**

The Offering (incl Sung Doxology: Hymn 807)

Prayer of Dedication

Benediction

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Choral Amen

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 470 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun**

- 1 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun  
does its successive journeys run;  
his kingdom stretch from shore to shore,  
till moons shall wax and wane no more.
- 2 People and realms of every tongue  
declare his love in sweetest song;  
and infant voices shall proclaim  
their early blessings on his name.
- 3 Blessings abound where Jesus reigns:  
the prisoners leap to lose their chains,  
the weary find eternal rest,  
and all who suffer want are blessed.
- 4 Let every creature rise and bring  
the highest honours to our King;  
angels descend with songs again,  
and earth repeat the loud amen.