

*Sunday 14<sup>th</sup>. March, 2021 11a.m.*  
*The Fourth Sunday in Lent*  
*Minister: Rev. Ian Taylor, B.D., Th.M.*  
*Musical Director: Mr. Alan A. Craig. B.Mus., P.G.C.E.*

Scripture Sentence

Welcome & Intimations

Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

**Merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you  
with our whole heart and mind and strength.  
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.  
In your mercy, forgive what we have been,  
help us amend what we are,  
and direct what we shall be,  
that we may delight in your will  
and walk in your ways  
to the glory of your holy name. AMEN.**

Scripture: St. John 3:14-21

**Hymn 71 Give thanks unto the Lord our God.  
(Psalm 107)**

- 1 Give thanks unto the Lord our God.  
How good and kind is he  
whose tender mercy shall endure  
through all eternity.  
Let God's redeemed repeat these words  
and give him thanks and praise  
who rescued them from hostile hands,  
preserved them all their days.
- 2 He gathered them from out the lands,  
from north, south, east, and west.  
They strayed in desert's pathless way,  
no city found to rest.  
Their weary soul within then faints  
when thirst and hunger press;  
in trouble then they cried to God;  
he saved them from distress.
- 3 He made the way before them straight,  
and he became their guide,  
that they might to a city go  
wherein they might abide.  
Let all the children of the Lord  
now praise him for his grace,  
and for the works of wonder done  
in every time and place!

*Psalm 107, verses 1-8*  
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Sermon

Musical Interlude

Prayer of Intercession and 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 561 Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!**

1 Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine:  
O what a foretaste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation purchase of God;  
Born of his Spirit, washed in his blood:  
*This is my story, this is my song,  
Praising my Saviour, all the day long.*

2 Perfect submission, perfect delight,  
Visions of rapture burst on my sight;  
Angels descending bring from above  
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love:  
*Chorus*

3 Perfect submission, all is at rest -  
I in my Saviour am happy and blest -  
Watching and waiting, looking above,  
Filled with his goodness, lost in his love.  
*Chorus*

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**Benediction**

**Choral Amen (3-fold.)**