

*Sunday 18 July, 2021 11.00 am  
Eighth Sunday after Pentecost*

*Minister: Rev. Ian Taylor, B.D., Th.M.*

*Guest Preacher: Rev. Gordon R. Mackenzie, B.Sc.Agr, B.D.*

*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.**

**Mark 8: 27-38, Mark 9: 1**

**Hymn 425 The Saviour died, but rose again**

- 1 The Saviour died, but rose again  
triumphant from the grave;  
and pleads our cause at God's right hand,  
omnipotent to save.
- 2 Who then can e'er divide us more  
from Jesus and his love,  
or break the sacred chain that binds  
the earth to heaven above?
- 3 Let troubles rise, and terrors frown,  
and days of darkness fall;  
through him all dangers we'll defy,  
and more than conquer all.
- 4 Nor death nor life, nor earth nor hell,  
nor time's destroying sway,  
can e'er efface us from his heart,  
or make his love decay.
- 5 Each future period that will bless,  
as it has blessed the past:  
he loved us from the first of time,  
he loves us to the last.

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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 644 O Jesus, I have promised**

1 O Jesus, I have promised  
to serve you to the end;  
be now and always near me,  
my Master and my Friend:  
I shall not fear the battle  
if you are by my side,  
nor wander from the pathway  
if you will be my guide.

2 Oh let me feel you near me:  
the world is ever near;  
I see the sights that dazzle,  
the tempting sounds I hear;  
my foes are ever near me,  
around me, and within;  
but, Jesus, draw still nearer,  
and shield my soul from sin.

3 Oh, let me hear you speaking  
in accents clear and still,  
above the storms of passion,  
the murmurs of self-will;  
Oh speak to reassure me,  
to hasten or control;  
O speak, and make me listen,  
true guardian of my soul.

4 O Jesus, you have promised  
to all who follow you,  
that where you are in glory  
your servant shall be too;  
and, Jesus, I have promised  
to serve you to the end:  
now give me grace to follow,  
my Master and my Friend.

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**Benediction**

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