St Andrew's, Chesterton

Family Service

1 November 2026
All Saints &
Baptism of Luke Wysoczanski

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Music before the service: O Breath of God (The Risen Christ)

Words and Music by Keith Getty and Phil Madeira

Please remain seated as the service begins. You are invited to join in the words in bold.

We are welcomed

God is good
all the time.
All the time
God is good.

We Sing

1. Here we are
   people of faith
   Some with smiles
   others with fears that they face
   Here we come
   ready to bring who we are.

   God is good!
   God is good to us.
   All through time
   Every hour every minute
   God is good.
   God is good.

2. Here we are
   children of God
   Family
   joining together as one
   Here we come
   ready to sing who you are.

   God is good…

   Oh praise Him for He is good.
   Oh praise Him for He is good.
   Oh praise Him for He is good.
   Oh praise Him for He is good.

   He is good.

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We say sorry and hear of God's forgiveness

Since we are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, looking to Jesus in penitence and faith.

You give your kingdom to the poor in spirit:
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

You satisfy those who hunger for righteousness and justice:
Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.

You give joy and gladness to those who mourn:
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

May God our Father forgive us our sins
and bring us to the eternal joy of God's kingdom,
where dust and ashes have no dominion. **Amen.**

We pray the Collect Prayer together

God of holiness,
your glory is proclaimed in every age:
as we rejoice in the faith of your saints,
inspire us to follow their example
with boldness and joy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

We hear our Bible Reading: 1 John 3:1-3

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. 2 Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. 3 And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Talk

We sing

1 Purify my heart,
let me be as gold and precious silver.
Purify my heart,
let me be as gold, pure gold.

Refiner's fire, my heart's one desire
is to be holy, set apart for you, Lord.
I choose to be holy, set apart for you, my Master,
ready to do your will.

2 Purify my heart,
cleanse me from within and make me holy.
Purify my heart,
cleanse me from my sin, deep within.

Refiner's fire, my heart's one desire
is to be holy, set apart for you, Lord.
I choose to be holy, set apart for you, my Master,
ready to do your will.

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Preparing for Baptism

The Baptism party come to the front of church

Faith is the gift of God to his people. In baptism the Lord is adding to our number those whom he is calling.
People of God, will you welcome Luke and uphold him in his new life in Christ?
With the help of God, we will.

The minister then addresses the parents and godparents

Parents and godparents, the Church receives this child with joy. Today we are trusting God for Luke's growth in faith.
Will you pray for Luke, draw him by your example into the community of faith and walk with him in the way of Christ?
With the help of God, we will.

In baptism Luke begins his journey in faith. You speak for him today. Will you care for him, and help him to take his place within the life and worship of Christ's Church?
With the help of God, we will.

In baptism, God calls us out of darkness into his marvellous light. To follow Christ means dying to sin and rising to new life with him. Therefore I ask:

Do you reject the devil and all rebellion against God?
I reject them.

Do you renounce the deceit and corruption of evil?
I renounce them.

Do you repent of the sins that separate us from God and neighbour?
I repent of them.

Do you turn to Christ as Saviour?
I turn to Christ.

Do you submit to Christ as Lord?
I submit to Christ.

Do you come to Christ, the way, the truth and the life?
I come to Christ.

The signing with the Cross

Luke, Christ claims you for his own. Receive the sign of his cross.
Do not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified.
Fight valiantly as a disciple of Christ against sin, the world and the devil, and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your life.

May almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness, restore in you the image of his glory, and lead you in the light and obedience of Christ.
Amen.

At the Font

Praise God who made heaven and earth,
who keeps his promise for ever.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give thanks and praise.

We thank you, almighty God, for the gift of water to sustain, refresh and cleanse all life. Over water the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation.
Through water you led the children of Israel from slavery in Egypt to freedom in the Promised Land.
In water your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us from the death of sin to newness of life.
Lord of life,
renew your creation.

We thank you, Father, for the water of baptism.
In it we are buried with Christ in his death.
By it we share in his resurrection.
Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit.
Therefore, in joyful obedience to your Son, we baptize into his fellowship those who come to him in faith.
Lord of life,
renew your creation.

Now sanctify this water that, by the power of your Holy Spirit, Luke may be cleansed from sin and born again.

Renewed in your image, may he walk by the light of faith and continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Lord; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be all honour and glory, now and for ever. Amen.
Lord of life,
renew your creation.

We say what we believe as Christians

Sisters and Brothers, I ask you to profess together with Luke the faith of the Church.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father,
source of all being and life,
the one for whom we exist?
We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Son,
who took our human nature,
died for us and rose again?
We believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit,
who gives life to the people of God
and makes Christ known in the world?
We believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.
This is our faith.
We believe and trust in one God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Amen.

The Baptism

Luke Richard Antony, I baptise you; in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**

May God, who has received you by baptism into his Church, pour upon you the riches of his grace, that within the company of Christ's pilgrim people you may daily be renewed by his anointing Spirit, and come to the inheritance of the saints in glory. **Amen.**

The Welcome

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism: Luke, by one Spirit we are all baptized into one body.
We welcome you into the fellowship of faith;
we are children of the same heavenly Father;
we welcome you!

We pray together

We end our prayers with the prayer that Jesus taught us
Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen.

We share news

We sing

1 Lord, the light of your love is shining,
in the midst of the darkness shining:
Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us;
set us free by the truth you now bring us:
shine on me, shine on me.

Shine, Jesus, shine,
fill this land with the Father's glory;
blaze, Spirit, blaze,
set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow,
flood the nations with grace and mercy;
send forth your word, Lord,
and let there be light!

2 Lord, I come to your awesome presence,
from the shadows into your radiance;
by the blood I may enter your brightness:
search me, try me, consume all my darkness:
shine on me, shine on me.

Shine, Jesus, shine,...

3 As we gaze on your kingly brightness
so our faces display your likeness,
ever changing from glory to glory:
mirrored here, may our lives tell your story:
shine on me, shine on me.

Shine, Jesus, shine,...

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The giving of a lighted candle

God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness and has given us a place with the saints in light.

Luke, you have received the light of Christ;
walk in this light all the days of your life.
Shine as a light in the world
to the glory of God the Father.

We share the Peace

We are invited to form a circle around the church and sing

Go now in peace, go now in peace
May the love of God surround you
Everywhere, everywhere
You may go.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
and also with you.

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We very much hope you have enjoyed joining us for worship at St Andrew's Chesterton this morning. If you are new or visiting, please do introduce yourself and stay for refreshments in the church.

There will be a short celebration of Communion after refreshments, beginning c.11.15am. All welcome to stay.