

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us this day 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 yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory now and for ever. Amen.

We are blessed as we go out to do God's work in the world

God, who in Christ gives us a spring of water welling up to eternal life, perfect in you the image of his glory; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. Amen.

Andy & Isabel receive bibles, and candles as a symbol of Christ's light in their lives

God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness and has given us a place with the saints in light. You have received the light of Christ; Andy & Isabel, walk in this light all the days of your lives.

Shine as a light in the world to the glory of God the Father.

Go in the light and peace of Christ.

Thanks be to God

A final verse of scripture

Jesus spoke to them saying

"I am the light of the world, whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life" (John 8:12)

We sing: Hymn 419 Shine, Jesus, shine

Thank you for supporting Andy and Isabel in their Baptism. Please stay for more refreshments. Our church toilet is behind the tower.
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SERVICE OF BAPTISM
ANDY & ISABEL DELVES

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We are made welcome in the name of God

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

We sing: Hymn 25 All things bright and beautiful

We say the special prayer for today:

Heavenly Father, by the power of your Holy Spirit you give your faithful people new life in the water of baptism. Guide and strengthen us by the same Spirit, that we who are born again may serve you in faith and love, and grow into the full stature of your Son, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

We read from the Bible: John 14:1-7 The way, the truth, and the life.

We reflect on God's word together:

We sing: Hymn 201 Give me joy in my heart

Andy & Isabel affirm their wish to be baptized and we all commit to support them

Andy & Isabel, do you wish to be baptized?

Andy & Isabel: I do.

We thank God for Andy & Isabel, who have come to be baptized today.

Jesus Christ loves you and welcomes you into his Church, so I ask you all:

Will you help them as they begin their journey of faith?

We will.

Will you help them to live and grow within God's family?

We will.

Will you pray for them and help them to follow Christ?

We will.

We all wander far from God and lose our way:

Christ comes to find us and welcomes us home.

In baptism we respond to his call, therefore, I ask:

Do you turn to Christ?

I turn to Christ.

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

I repent of my sins.

Do you renounce evil?

I renounce evil.

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

I come to Christ.

We sign Andy & Isabel with the sign of the Cross

Christ claims you for his own, receive the sign of his cross.

Do not be ashamed of Christ. You are his forever.

**Stand bravely with him against all the power of evil,
and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your life.**

May almighty God protect you from the powers of darkness,
and lead you in the light and obedience of Christ. **Amen.**

We bless the water to be used in the Baptism

We praise you, loving Father, for the gift of your son Jesus.

He was baptized in the River Jordan, where your spirit came upon him
and revealed him as the son you love.

He sent his followers to baptize all who turn to him.

Now, Father, we ask you to bless this water, that as Andy & Isabel are
baptized in it they may be cleansed in the water of life,
and, filled with your Spirit, may know that they are loved as your children,
safe in Christ forever. **Amen.**

We declare our shared faith in God

Let us affirm, together with Andy & Isabel, our common faith in Jesus Christ.

We believe and trust in God the Father, who made the world

We believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ, who redeemed mankind.

We believe and trust in his Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God

**This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.**

We baptize Andy & Isabel

N, I baptize 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 people you may
daily be renewed by his Holy Spirit, and come to the inheritance of the saints
in glory. **Amen.**

We sing: Hymn 525 One more step along the world I go

We welcome Andy & Isabel into the Church family and share God's peace

In baptism God invites you on a life-long journey. Together with all God's
people you must explore the way of Jesus and grow in friendship with God,
in love for his people and in serving others.

With us you will listen to the word of God and receive the gifts of God.

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism: 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 are all one in Christ Jesus. We belong to him through faith, heirs of the
promise of the Spirit of peace. The peace of the Lord be always with you
And also with you.

We pray for Andy & Isabel, for the church and the world