



PENTECOST ALL-AGE BAPTISM SERVICE

ST PETER'S CHURCH SUNDAY 8 JUNE 2025

PREPARATION

All Alleluia, Christ is risen!
HE IS RISEN INDEED! ALLELUIA!



Welcome

Hymn 237 Holy, holy, holy, Lord God almighty!

Lighting of Paschal (Easter) candle

All We light this candle for the risen Lord who leads us into the fullness of God's Kingdom and gives us eternal life.

Introduction (with *actions*)

All As we listen to your word,
fill us with your Spirit.

All As we worship you in majesty,
fill us with your Spirit.

All As we long for your refreshing,
fill us with your Spirit.

All As we long for your equipping,
fill us with your Spirit.

All As we long for your empowering,
fill us with your Spirit.

Confession

Lord, as your Holy Spirit came on people of all nations and cultures and languages at Pentecost, we recognise we can be prejudiced:
Sometimes we try and build ourselves into a tower,
cut ourselves off from others, forgetting that we need them too.

All **Forgive us Lord and break down our barriers.**

Sometimes we turn away from people of other cultures,
just because they're different.

All **Forgive us Lord and break down our barriers.**

Sometimes we cling on to our own prejudices,
and don't see diversity as a blessing.

All Forgive us Lord and break down our barriers.

Assurance of pardon

Lord of every language under the sun, you read the thoughts of
our hearts. You forgive us our sins, whoever we are, and
whatever we may have done.

Lord of every language under the sun, we rejoice in your
forgiveness

All Amen.

BAPTISM

Jesus said, 'Let the children come to me. Do not stop them'.
We thank God for *Hayley and Albie* who have come to be baptized
today. Christ loves *them* and welcomes *them* into his Church.
So I ask you all: Will you support *these children* as *they begin their*
journey of faith?

All: We will.

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

All: We will.

Questions for Parents and Godparents

God knows each of us by name and we are his. Parents and
godparents, you speak for *Hayley and Albie* today. Will you pray
for *them*, and help *them* to follow Christ?

We will.

We thank God for *Hayley and Albie* who have come to be baptized
today. Christ loves *them* and welcomes *them* into his Church.

Will you support *them* on *their* journey of faith?

We will.

Decision (parents and godparents)

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 away from sin?

I do.

Do you reject evil?

I do.

Do you turn to Christ as Saviour?

I do.

Do you trust in him as Lord?

I do.

Signing with the cross

Christ claims you for his own. Receive the sign of his cross.



Do not be ashamed of Christ. You are his for ever.

All: Stand bravely with him against all the powers of evil, and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your life.

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

All: Amen.

Prayer over the water (*candidates, parents, godparents move to the font*)

Praise God who made heaven and earth,

All: who keeps his promise for ever.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give thanks and praise.

We praise you, loving Heavenly Father, for the gift of your Son Jesus. He was baptised in the River Jordan, where your Spirit came upon him and revealed him as the Son you love. He sent his followers to baptise all who turn to him. Now, Father, we ask you to bless this water, that those who are baptised in it 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 for ever.

All: Amen.

Profession of faith

Let us affirm, together with these who are being baptized, our common faith in Jesus Christ.

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

All: I 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?

All: I 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?

All: I believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.

All: This is our faith.

**We believe and trust in one God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

Baptism

N, I baptize you in the name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

*The parents and godparents are invited to make the sign of
the cross on the child and say a prayer for them.*



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.

All: Amen.

Faithful and loving God, bless those who care for these children
and grant them your gifts of love, wisdom and faith. Pour upon
them your healing and reconciling love, and protect their home
from all evil. Fill them with the light of your presence and
establish them in the joy of your kingdom, through Jesus Christ
our Lord.

All: Amen.

Welcome

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism: *Hayley and Albie*, by
one Spirit we are all baptised into one body.

**All: We welcome you into the fellowship of faith; we are children of
the same heavenly Father; we welcome you.**

Song **Every Step**

With me, God is with me
Yes He's with me every step
With me, God is with me
Yes He's with me every step
I know God is with me every step I go
I know God is with me every step

With you, God is with you
Yes He's with you every step
With you, God is with you
Yes He's with you every step
I know God is with you every step you go
I know God is with you every step

*Oh the love of God
Is with me every day
Every step I take
He will lead me on
Into His perfect plan
Walking hand in hand*

With us, God is with us
Yes He's with us every step
With us, God is with us
Yes He's with us every step
I know God is with us every step we go
I know God is with us every step

Oh the love of God...

With me, God is with me
Yes He's with me every step
*Oh the love of God...
Every step, every step, every step.*

WORD OF GOD

Bible readings John 14:25–27
Acts 2:1–21
(dramatised)

Talk

Hymn **241 Holy Spirit
we welcome You**

Faith in Action – Jenny Carter



PRAYERS

Dove Prayers

Lord's Prayer

**All 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 forever. Amen**



CONCLUSION

Notices and banns of marriage including **Red** prize

Presentation of a Candle

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; walk in this light all the days of your life.

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

Hymn **My Lighthouse**

In my wrestling and in my doubts
In my failures You won't walk out
Your great love will lead me through
You are the peace in my troubled sea (x2)

In the silence, You won't let go
In the questions, Your truth will hold
Your great love will lead me through
You are the peace in my troubled sea (x2)

*My lighthouse, my lighthouse
Shining in the darkness. I will follow You
My lighthouse, my lighthouse
I will trust the promise. You will carry me safe to shore.
Safe to shore (x3)*

I won't fear what tomorrow brings
With each morning I'll rise and sing
My God's love will lead me through
You are the peace in my troubled sea (x2)

My lighthouse, my lighthouse...

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Blessing *(Please remain standing for God's blessing)*

May the Spirit, who set the Church on fire upon the Day of Pentecost, bring the world alive with the love of the risen Christ. And the blessing ...

Amen.

Dismissal *(with **actions**)*

All We go into the world
 to walk in God's **light**,
 to rejoice in God's **love**
 and to reflect God's **glory**. Amen

You are warmly invited to the Church Centre for refreshments.

