

Sunday @ 9

7th Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday 12th July 2026

We join together, both those at St Luke's, and those at home using the internet or telephone

If you are at home, find somewhere comfortable, light a candle, and connect to our service via Zoom on the internet (<https://zoom.us/j/7210725462>) or by telephone (07 3185 3730, meeting ID 721 072 5462). Contact the Parish Office for the password. Follow the order of service below.

Gathering as God's people

Hymn: Light of the world

Light of the world,
You stepped down into darkness
Opened my eyes, let me see
Beauty that made this heart adore You
Hope of my life spent with You
 So here I am to worship
 Here I am to bow down
 Here I am to say that You're my God
 You're altogether lovely
 Altogether worthy
 Altogether wonderful to me

King of all days
Oh, so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above
Humbly You came to the earth You created
All for love's sake became poor
 So here I am to worship...

I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross.
I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross.
 So here I am to worship...

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The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

The words you have spoken are spirit and life, O
Lord; you have the words of eternal life.

John 6.63, 68

The Ministry of the Word

Prayer for the day

Bountiful God, we thank you for planting in us the
seed of your word: by your Holy Spirit, help us to

receive it with joy, and to live according to it, that
we may grow in faith and hope and love; through
Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with
you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for
ever and ever. Amen

Children's ministry

Prayer before the reading of scripture

Thank you, Father,
for making yourself known to us
and showing the way of salvation
through faith in your Son.
We ask you now to teach and encourage us
through your word,
so that we may be ready to serve you;
for the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

First Reading: Psalm 119: 105-112

Choir

Gospel reading: Matthew 13:1-9,18-23

The Sermon

The Baptism of Charles and Theodore Jobson

Baptism processional hymn: Lord Jesus Christ

Lord Jesus Christ, You have come to us,
You are one with us, Mary's son;
cleansing our souls from all their sin,
pouring Your love and goodness in:
Jesus, our love for You we sing –
living Lord!

Lord Jesus Christ, now and everyday
teach us how to pray, Son of God.
You have commanded us to do
this, in remembrance, Lord, of You;
into our lives Your power breaks through –
living Lord!

Lord Jesus Christ, I would come to You,
live my life for You, Son of God;
all Your commands I know are true,
Your many gifts will make me new:
into my life Your power breaks through –
living Lord!

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The Meaning of Baptism

*An explanation of the Christian
understanding of Baptism is read.*

The Presentation

We welcome Charles and Theodore who come to
be baptised. I invite their sponsors to present
them now.

*We present Charles Peter Jobson and
Theodore Rick Jobson **to be baptised.***

Will you accept the responsibilities placed upon
you in bringing Charles and Theodore for baptism?
I will.

Are you willing to answer on behalf of Charles and
Theodore?
I am.

By your own prayers and example, by your
friendship and love, will you encourage Charles
and Theodore in the life and faith of the Christian
community?
I will, with God's help.

The Decision

Before God and this congregation, you must affirm
that you turn to Christ and reject all that is evil:

Do you turn to Christ?
I turn to Christ.

Do you repent of your sins?
I repent of my sins.

Do you reject selfish living, and all that is false and
unjust?
I reject them all.

Do you renounce Satan and all evil?
I renounce all that is evil.

Almighty God deliver you from the powers of
darkness, and lead you in the light of Christ to his
everlasting kingdom. *Amen.*

Will you, by God's grace, strive to live as a
disciple of Christ, loving God with your whole
heart, and your neighbour as yourself, until your
life's end?

I will, with God's help.

The minister says to the congregation:

You have heard these our brothers and sisters
respond to Christ. Will you support them in this
calling?
We will.

The Prayers

Prayers are led by a member of the congregation

The Baptism

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

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

*Water is poured into the font and prayers
are offered.*

The response to each prayer is:

Thanks be to God

The Apostle's Creed is said together

I now ask you to affirm as yours the faith of the
Church.

Do you believe in God the Father?
I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in God the Son?
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father;
from there he will come to judge
the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

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

*The minister baptises by pouring water over
Charles and Theodore, saying,*

*Charles Peter Jobson / Theodore Rick Jobson,
I baptise you in the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.*

After Baptism

*The priest makes a cross on their foreheads,
saying,*

*Charles / Theodore,
I sign you with the sign of the cross to show that
you are marked as Christ's own for ever.*

*Live as a disciple of Christ:
fight the good fight,
finish the race,
keep the faith.
Confess Christ crucified,
proclaim his resurrection,
look for his coming in glory.*

A lighted candle is presented.

*God has brought you out of darkness
into his marvellous light.*

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

*God has called you into his Church.
We therefore receive and welcome you
as a member with us of the body of Christ,
as a child of the one heavenly Father,
and as an inheritor of the kingdom of God.*

Baptism certificates are presented.

The Greeting of peace

*We are the body of Christ.
His Spirit is with us.*

*The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.*

Please say hello to everyone!

The Offertory

Hymn: You're the word of God the father

*You're the Word of God the Father
from before the world began.
ev'ry star and ev'ry planet
has been fashioned by Your hand.*

All creation holds together
*by the power of Your voice.
let the skies declare Your glory;
let the land and seas rejoice!*

You're the Author of creation;
*You're the Lord of ev'ry man;
and Your cry of love rings out
across the lands.*

Yet You left the gaze of angels,
*came to seek and save the lost,
and exchanged the joy of heaven
for the anguish of a cross.
With a prayer You fed the hungry;
with a word You calmed the sea;
yet how silently You suffered
that the guilty may go free!*

You're the Author of creation....

*With a shout You rose victorious,
wresting vict'ry from the grave,
and ascended into heaven,
leading captives in Your way.
Now You stand before the Father,
interceding for Your own;
From each tribe and tongue and nation,
You are leading sinners home.*

You're the Author of creation....

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Thanksgiving for offered gifts

*Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have these gifts to
share. Accept and use our offerings for your glory
and for the service of your kingdom.
Blessed be God for ever*

The Great Thanksgiving

*The Lord be with you.
And also with you.*

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

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

Loving God...

*Lord our God,
We give you thanks and praise*

We thank you that when we turned away...

*Lord our God,
We give you thanks and praise
...for ever praising you and saying:*

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.*

...for the sins of the whole world:

Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

...in songs of never-ending praise:

Blessing and honour and glory and power
are yours for ever and ever. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are
confident to pray:

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.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

The Breaking of bread and the Communion

We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.

We who are many are one body,
For we all share in the one bread.

The gifts of God for the people of God...

Jesus, Lamb of God,
have mercy on us.

Jesus, bearer of our sins,
have mercy on us.

Jesus, redeemer of the world,
grant us your peace.

Communion is shared

Post Communion Prayer

Gracious God, in baptism you make us one family
in Christ your Son, one, one in the sharing of his
body and his blood, one in the communion of his
Spirit. Help us to grow in love for one another and
come to the full maturity of the body of Christ.

Most loving God,
you send us into the world you love.
Give us grace to go thankfully and with courage
in the power of your Spirit.

The sending out of God's people

Notices

Hymn: Let us sing to the God of salvation

Hymn: You shall go out with joy

You shall go out with joy
and be led forth in peace,
and the mountains and the hills
shall break forth in singing.
There'll be shouts of joy
and the trees of the field
shall clap, shall clap their hands.

And the trees of the field
shall clap their hands,
and the trees of the field
shall clap their hands,
and the trees of the field
shall clap their hands,
and you'll go out with joy.

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Blessing

Go forth into the world in peace;
be of good courage;
hold fast that which is good;
render to no one evil for evil;
strengthen the faint hearted;
support the weak; help the afflicted;
give honour to all;
love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of
the Holy Spirit;
and the blessing ...Amen

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen

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