

St Andrew's Gorleston
WORSHIP TOGETHER
with the Baptism of Odin, Loki,
River and Kassius
10am - Sunday 2nd November 2025 – All Saints' Day



Welcome

Welcome in the name of Christ.
God's grace, mercy and peace be with you
and also with you.

This is the day that the Lord has made:

let us rejoice and be glad in it.

O give thanks to the Lord for he is good:
his steadfast love endures for ever.

Lord, speak to us that we may hear your word.

Move among us that we may behold your glory.

Receive our prayers that we may learn to trust you.

Amen.

Hymn – A&M 296

For all the saints who from their labours rest,
who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesu, be for ever blest. *Alleluia. Alleluia.*

Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight;
thou, in the darkness, still their one true light. *Alleluia. Alleluia.*

O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold,
fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,
and win, with them, the victor's crown of gold. *Alleluia. Alleluia.*

O blest communion, fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
yet all are one in thee, for all are thine. *Alleluia. Alleluia.*

But lo, there breaks a yet more glorious day;
the saints triumphant rise in bright array:
the King of glory passes on his way. *Alleluia. Alleluia.*
From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,

through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost *Alleluia. Alleluia.*

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Confession

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

Lord, you are gracious and compassionate:

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

You are loving to all and your mercy is over all your creation:

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Your faithful servants bless your name and speak of the glory of your
kingdom:

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon
you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen
you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ
our Lord.

Amen.

The collect for All Saints Day

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.

Song

Thank You Lord for this fine day

Thank You Lord for this fine day

Thank You Lord for this fine day

Right where we are

Alleluia praise the Lord

Alleluia praise the Lord

Alleluia praise the Lord

Right where we are

Thank You Lord for loving us

Thank You Lord for loving us
Thank You Lord for loving us
Right where we are

Thank You Lord for giving us peace
Thank You Lord for giving us peace
Thank You Lord for giving us peace
Right where we are

Thank You Lord for setting us free
Thank You Lord for setting us free
Thank You Lord for setting us free
Right where we are

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The story of the Good Shepherd

Baptism

We rejoice today with the family of Odin, Loki, River and Kassius as they thank God for the gift of life and bring their boys for baptism.

Our Lord Jesus Christ has told us that to enter the kingdom of heaven we must be born again of water and the Spirit, and has given us baptism as the sign and seal of his new birth.
Here we are washed by the Holy Spirit and made clean.
Here we are clothed with Christ, dying to sin that we may live his risen life.
As children of God, we have a new dignity and God calls us to fulness of life.

Jesus said, 'Let the children come to me. Do not stop them.'

We thank God for Odin, Loki, River and Kassius who have come to be baptised today.
Christ loves them and welcomes them into his Church.

So I ask you all: Will you support Odin, Loki, River and Kassius as they begin their journey of faith?
We will.

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

God knows each of us by name and we are his.
Arron and Megan, and the boys' godparents, Stuart, Paul and Angie:
Will you pray for the boys 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 away from sin? **I do.**

Do you reject evil? **I do.**

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

Do you trust in Christ as Lord? **I do.**

Signing the boys with the cross

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

Do not be ashamed of Christ. You are his forever.
**Stand bravely against the power 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. **Amen.**

Profession of faith

Let us affirm together the faith of the church.

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

I 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.

*Odin, Loki, River and Kassius, with their parents and godparents,
move down to the font*

We praise you, loving 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 will be
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. **Amen.**

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.

Faithful and loving God, bless all those who care for Odin, Loki, River
and Kassius 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. **Amen.**

*The boys with their parents and godparents, return to the front of the
church*

Welcome and peace

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism:
by one Spirit we are all baptised 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.**

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Giving Odin, Loki, River and Cassius a lighted 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.

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

Song

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 whoa oh
You are the peace in my troubled sea

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 whoa oh
You are the peace in my troubled sea

My Lighthouse my Lighthouse

Shining in the darkness

I will follow You oh

My Lighthouse my Lighthouse

I will trust the promise

You will carry me safe to shore

Safe to shore safe to shore safe to shore

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 whoa oh
You are the peace in my troubled sea

Fire before us
You're the brightest
You will lead us
Through the storms

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Reading - Ephesians 1:11-14, 18-23

¹¹ In Christ we were also chosen, having been predestined according to the plan of him who works out everything in conformity with the purpose of his will, ¹² in order that we, who were the first to put our hope in Christ, might be for the praise of his glory. ¹³ And you also were included in Christ when you heard the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation. When you believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, ¹⁴ who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession – to the praise of his glory.

¹⁸ I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, ¹⁹ and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is the same as the mighty strength ²⁰ he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, ²¹ far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every name that is invoked, not only in the present age but also in the one to come. ²² And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church, ²³ which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way.

For the word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God.

Talk

Song – A&M 719

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!*

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.

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.

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Prayers of Intercession

**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.**

Birthdays and Notices

Hymn – Complete Mission Praise 315

I will sing the wondrous story
Of the Christ who died for me
How He left the realms of glory
For the cross on Calvary
Yes I'll sing the wondrous story
Of the Christ who died for me
Sing it with His saints in glory
Gathered by the crystal sea

I was lost but Jesus found me

Found the sheep that went astray
Raised me up and gently led me
Back into the narrow way
Days of darkness still may meet me
Sorrow's path I oft may tread
But His presence still is with me
By His guiding hand I'm led

He will keep me till the river
Rolls its waters at my feet
Then He'll bear me safely over
Made by grace for glory meet
Yes I'll sing the wondrous story
Of the Christ who died for me
Sing it with His saints in glory
Gathered by the crystal sea

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Closing Prayer and Blessing

**God of our salvation, you have restored us to life,
you have brought us back again into your love
by the triumphant death and resurrection of Christ.
Continue to heal us, as we go to live and work
in the power of your Spirit, to your praise and glory.
Amen.**

May God who makes saints of sinners,
who has transformed those we remember today,
raise and strengthen you that you may transform the world;
and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy
Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

Go in the light and peace of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

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