

Prayers of Intercession

Hymn **Lord of the Years** *MP 428*

Welcome into the church

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism:

Millie 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.**

Giving the lighted Candle

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

Receive 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.

The peace of God,
which passes all understanding,
keep your hearts and minds
in the knowledge and love of God,
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy
Spirit be among you and remain with
you always.

All Amen

Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia.

All Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

After the service please join us for refreshments, and remember there are people willing to pray with you in confidence if you would like prayer for anything

Common Worship: Services and Prayers for the Church of England, New Patterns for Worship and Times and Seasons, material from which is included in this service, is copyright © The Archbishops' Council 2000, 2002, 2006



St Michael's Church, Highworth
10.15am service — 7th August 2022

Welcome

Grace, mercy and peace
from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ
be with you
and also with you.

Introduction to the theme

Action Song

Children and young people activities

Confession

**God of mercy,
we acknowledge that we are all sinners.
We turn from the wrong that we have thought and said
and done,
and are mindful of all that we have failed to do.
For the sake of Jesus, who died for us,
forgive us for all that is past,
and help us to live each day
in the light of Christ our Lord.
Amen**

Absolution

Collect for Baptism

Heavenly Father, by the power of your Holy Spirit you give to 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, who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit now and for ever.

Amen

Hymn **Blessed Assurance** *MP 59*

Reading—Isaiah 1: 1, 10-20

This is the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

Reading—Luke 12: 32 - 40

This is the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

Sermon

Hymn **Jesus Christ I think upon your sacrifice**

Baptism

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

Millie and uphold her in her new life in Christ?

With the help of God, we will.

Parents and godparents, the Church receive Millie with joy.

Today we are trusting God for her growth in faith. Will you pray for her, draw her by your example into the community of faith and walk with her in the way of Christ?

P&G: With the help of God, 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 him as Lord?

I do.

Affirmation of Faith

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

I believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Son, who took on 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 in 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.**

Amen

Millie Christ claims you for his own.

Receive the sign of his cross †

Do not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified.

All 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.

Hymn **Yet not I but through Christ in me**

Prayer over the Water

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.

Loving God, we thank you for your servant Moses, who led your people through the waters of the Red Sea to freedom in the Promised Land. We thank you for your Son Jesus, who has passed through the deep waters of death and opened for all the way of salvation.

Pour out your Holy Spirit that the one baptised in this water may die to sin, be raised with Christ, and be born to new life in the family of your Church. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Millie for you, Jesus Christ came into the world; for you he lived and showed God's love; for you he suffered death on the cross; for you he triumphed over death, rising to newness of life; for you he prays at God's right hand: all this for you, before you could know anything of it. In your Baptism, the word of Scripture is fulfilled: 'We love, because God first loved us.'

Millie Grace Haines

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

Amen

Millie 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**