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and has given us a place with
the saints in light.

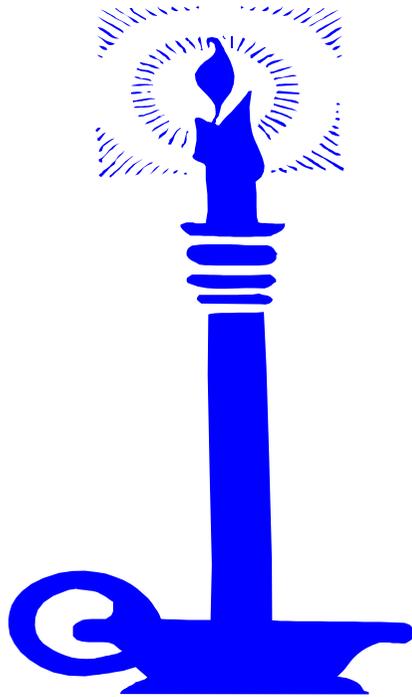
You have received the light of
Christ;
walk in this light all the days
of your life.

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

WELCOME

There is one Lord, one faith,
one baptism: *Connor*, 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.**



Connor's Baptism

2nd March 2014
Aspen Chapel

by The Rev'd Nicholas Vesey



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 *Connor* and uphold
him in *his* new life in Christ?

**With the help of God, we
will.**

*The minister of baptism then
says to the parents and
godparents*

Parents and godparents, the
Church receives *this child*
with joy. Today we are
trusting God for *his* growth
in faith. Will you pray for
him, draw *him* by your
example into the community
of faith and walk with *him* in
the way of Christ?

**With the help of God, we
will.**

In baptism *this child* begins
his journey in faith. You

will speak for *him* today. Will you
care for *him*, and help *him* to
take *his* place within the life
and worship of Christ's
Church?

**With the help of God, we
will.**

DECISION

Baptism means turning –
from the darkness of sin to
the light of Christ.

I now ask you three times if
you are resolved to turn from
despair to hope, from death
to life.

Do you turn to Christ as
Saviour?

I turn to Christ.

Do you submit to Christ as
Lord?

I submit to Christ.

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

PRAYER OVER THE WATER

We thank you, Father, for the water of baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore, in joyful obedience to your Son, we baptize into his fellowship those who come to him in faith.

Now sanctify this water that, by the power of your Holy Spirit, This child may be cleansed from sin and born again. Renewed in your image, may he walk by the light of faith and continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Lord; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be all honour and glory, now

and for ever. **Amen.**

PROFESSION OF FAITH

Brothers and sisters, I ask you to profess together with *this child* the faith of the Church.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father, who made the world?

I believe and trust in him

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ who redeemed mankind?

I believe and trust in him

Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God?

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.

BAPTISM

Connor William

I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son,

and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

You have been clothed with Christ.

As many as are baptized into Christ have put on Christ.

The minister of baptism says

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 those who care for *this child* 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.**

SIGNING WITH THE CROSS

The minister of baptism or another minister makes the sign of the cross on the forehead of each candidate, saying

Christ claims you for his own. Receive the sign of his cross. May almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness, restore in you the image of his glory, and lead you in the light and obedience of Christ. **Amen.**

GIVING OF A LIGHTED CANDLE

The minister may give the child (or Godparent) a lighted candle.

When the child has received a candle, the minister says

God has delivered us from