



Minister: Revd Lucy Brierley

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Whoever you are and wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome.

**Sunday 11th January 2026, 10.30am**

# **The Baptism of Jesus: Hope Refreshed!**

**Morning Worship  
led by the Revd Lucy Brierley**

**Groups for children and young people meet  
after sharing in the first part of the service.**

This Service, broadcast live from the Church can be found via the Church's website - [www.wokingurc.org.uk](http://www.wokingurc.org.uk) our YouTube Channel or via our Facebook page. There is an archive of service recordings, including this one, on our website which can be viewed at home. If you would like some help to access any of them please email - [office@wokingurc.org.uk](mailto:office@wokingurc.org.uk) or telephone us on 01483 763078. If you would like a recording of this Service, and any other, they are available in various formats by request. Please contact the Church Office.

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# ORDER OF SERVICE

The Church is fitted with a loop system. The words of hymns and songs, and Bible readings etc are displayed on the screen. Bibles and hymn books in standard and large print are also available from the Welcomers. As the Service is live streamed you (and / or your family) could be on camera as efforts are made to help those watching at home to feel a part of the worshipping congregation in the Church. If you have any concerns regarding this, please speak to an Elder or Welcomer.

## **Welcome and Notices**

## **Call to Worship**

**Hymns -** Praise To The Lord, The Almighty (R&S 74)  
Praise Is Rising

## **Prayers & The Lord's Prayer**

## **Family Time**

**Hymn -** What Gift Of Grace (Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me)

## **Children & Young People continue in groups**

**Bible Readings -** Isaiah 42 v 1-9 Read by Carol Glynn  
Matthew 3 v 13-17 Read by John Hammersley

**Hymn -** All My Hope On God Is Founded (R&S 586)

## **Sermon**

**Hymn -** Before The Throne Of God Above

## **Prayers for Others & Offering Prayer**

**Hymn -** In Christ Alone

## **Blessing**

# NEWS AND FORTHCOMING EVENTS

You are invited to stay for **refreshments after the Service**. They will be served in the Forum and in the Sanctuary. Please do stay if you can to enjoy a time to meet and talk with each other.

**Heathside Car Park.** Free Sunday morning parking (*up until 1pm*) for those attending this Church. Please key in your registration number on a device in the Forum in the Church *before the Service* each time you are here. The barrier will rise to let you out of the car park because your number will be recognised. If the device indicates 'number not recognised' please write your details on the sheet next to the devices and press the HELP button as you reach the car park barrier. Your number will have been notified.

**If you would like to donate to the work of the Church** this can be done either here at Church or from home. The card machine in the Forum may be used for contactless donations and there is an offering bag underneath it for anyone wishing to make a cash donation. For one-off gifts, there is a direct link to the giving page from the "Donate" button at the top the home page of the Church's website or just scan this QR code & Select 'Donations-church Funds'.



**Prayer requests.** There is a box in the Forum with a pile of blue cards in front which you are invited to use to request prayers particularly on a Thursday morning or at other appropriate times at the Church.

**Would you like to make a donation for flowers on a particular Sunday?** May be an anniversary, special birthday or remembering someone. There is a sign-up sheet in the Forum to offer a date. Someone else will arrange them for you.

**Care4Creation** - The Church has made environmental commitments, and the Green Team organises ways in which these can happen. You may contribute to this funding through the card machine in the Forum or via the Church's website.

**Leading Worship elsewhere.** David Fowler is at Maidenhead URC and Vivien Gerhold is at Addlestone Methodist Church this morning.

**Free copies of *Reform* - the magazine of the URC** - are available in the Forum. Please take one away. If you would like to subscribe there are details of rates - paper and digital - inside the magazine.

**Part-time Administrator vacancy with the Wessex Synod.** Fixed term contract for one year, 10 hours per week, working from home (apart from initial training) mainly to give support to Safeguarding but also in other areas. Details and job description available from Keith Bradley, Church Secretary.

The **Church & Community Worker**, John Sinclair, will be away this week. Please contact your Elder or Pastoral Assistant in his absence.

# WEEKLY CALENDAR

<b>TODAY</b>	4.00 pm Remembering Service, followed by refreshments
<b>MONDAY</b>	11.00 am The Crocus Cafe 2.00 pm Knitting Fellowship Girls' and Boys' Brigades - 5.30 to 7.00 pm - Anchors, Explorers and Juniors 7.15 to 9.15 pm - Company, Seniors and Brigaders (Year 7 +) 7.30 pm Green Team Meeting
<b>TUESDAY</b>	9.30 am Tuesday Prayers - Children and Youth Work focussed
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	10.00 am Baby & Toddler Group
<b>THURSDAY</b>	10.00 am Refill – Bible Study and Discussion Group (children welcome to come along with parents / carers) 11.00 am Prayers and Reflection in person and by Zoom - Zoom link: <a href="https://Zoom.us/j/95986431118">https://Zoom.us/j/95986431118</a> 12 noon Lunch Club - <i>sign up sheet in the Forum</i>
<b>FRIDAY</b>	12 noon Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Crawford Graham (at the Church) <i>Copy for the February Church Magazine should reach the editor - magazine@wokingurc.org.uk</i>
<b>SATURDAY</b>	Boys' Brigade Battalion Juniors 5-a-Side Football and team games at Aldershot Army Sports Centre
<b>NEXT SUNDAY</b>	<i>Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins (to 25th)</i> 10.00 am Prayers in the Vestry 10.30 am Morning Worship with Ordination and Induction of Elders led by the Minister Collection point for food and other items for the York Road Project and Your Sanctuary open every Sunday. Please see list below. 5.30 pm Youth Group
<b>UPCOMING</b>	<b>Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> January at 6.30 pm</b> - First Stepwise - <i>Faith Filled Life</i> course session at Woking URC. To book contact: <a href="mailto:development@urcwessex.org.uk">development@urcwessex.org.uk</a> For more information about the content of this course please see John Sinclair. <b>Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> January at 11.45 am</b> - Health and Wellbeing half-hour session arranged by a local GP Practice.

**Collection point for food and other items for the York Road Project and Your Sanctuary open every Sunday.** The following items would particularly be appreciated: Sugar sachets, coffee sachets, jars of coffee, tea; pasta, rice; squash (orange or blackcurrant), bottled or cans of water; pot noodles; fresh fruit and vegetables; individually wrapped biscuits or other snacks, individual chocolate bars, tinned goods; boxer shorts (new) - men's small and medium. Your Sanctuary would particularly be grateful for pasta, rice, pasta sauces, jam, peanut butter and marmalade. Tuna, squash, baked beans, ketchup, mayonnaise, and tinned meats.

*Please take this paper home with you for reference and to use the information on this page and the previous one about meetings and events in your prayers this week.*