

Thanksgiving

The minister says to the parents

Do you receive this child as a gift from God?

We do.

Do you wish to give thanks to God and seek God's blessing for her? We do.

God our creator,
we thank you for the wonder of new life
and for the mystery of human love.
We thank you for all whose support and skill
surround and sustain the beginning of life.
We thank you that we are known to you by name
and loved by you from all eternity.
We thank you for Jesus Christ,
who has opened to us the way of love.
We praise you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

As Jesus took children in his arms and blessed them, so now we ask God's blessing on Luella.

Heavenly Father, we praise you for her birth; surround her with your blessing that she may know your love, be protected from evil, and know your goodness all her days.

