

# The Sacrament of Holy Baptism



Lutherans use the term “sacrament” to mean the place where God’s promise and Jesus command is linked with an earthly element or sign. The New Testament tells us that Jesus commanded Baptism (Matthew 28:19) to be a sign of God’s never failing promises to all who believe.

In the Sacrament of Holy Baptism the water and God’s promises connect the one who is baptized with the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Baptism is an outward sign of our salvation, a gift of God’s amazing love for us.

Baptism marks the entrance into the church family, the body of Christ.

Baptism is done only once, it’s good forever, and never needs a redo. Other practices during our worship life together remind us of our baptism, and every day we can claim the promises God has given to us in baptism.

In Baptism:

*We are claimed as God’s beloved children, inheritors of eternal life.*

*We are forgiven and never forsaken.*

*We are joined together with all the saints into one family of God.*

If you are interested in the Sacrament of Holy Baptism for yourself or your children please contact St. John’s at 215-624-5505 or email us at [stjohnsmayfair@verizon.net](mailto:stjohnsmayfair@verizon.net)