



### **Preparing for Baptism at Calvary: A Guide for Parents and Sponsors**

The Baptism application form on the following page should be completed and returned to the Church office once you decide what baptism date best works for your family.

#### **What is Holy Baptism?**

Holy Baptism is the sacrament by which God adopts us as his children and makes us members of Christ's Body, the Church, and inheritors of the Kingdom of God.

#### **What is the outward and visible sign in Baptism?**

The outward and visible sign in Baptism is water, in which the person is baptized in the Name of the Father, and the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

#### **What is the inward and spiritual grace in Baptism?**

The inward and spiritual grace in Baptism is union with Christ in his death and resurrection, birth into God's family and the Church, forgiveness of sins, and new life in the Holy Spirit.

#### **What is required of us at Baptism?**

It is required that we renounce Satan, repent of our sins, and accept Jesus as our Lord and Savior.

#### **Why then are infants baptized?**

Infants are baptized so that they can share citizenship in the Covenant, membership in Christ, and redemption by God.

#### **How are the promises for infants made and carried out?**

Promises are made for them by their parents and sponsors, who guarantee that the infants will be brought up within the Church, to know Christ and be able to follow him.

We hope this information will give you a better understanding of how we approach Baptism at Calvary Episcopal Church, and will help you with your application. Please complete the following application and return it to the Church office at [info@calvarysummit.org](mailto:info@calvarysummit.org).

Please contact me if you have any questions.

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## BAPTISM APPLICATION

Date of Application: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Baptism Requested: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent 1 Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent 1 Church Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent 2 Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent 2 Church Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number(s): Home \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Parent 1 \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Parent 2 \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Church parent(s)/you now attend? \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you attended? \_\_\_\_\_

Please list your/your children's proposed Godparents: Name & Church Affiliation (*Every person being baptized is sponsored by at least one baptized Christian*):

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Why do you wish to have your child be Baptized at Calvary Church / Why do you wish to be Baptized at Calvary Church?

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Have you had other children Baptized Calvary Church? \_\_\_\_\_ if YES, please give names and dates \_\_\_\_\_

Other Relevant Family Information \_\_\_\_\_

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*Please email it to Carolina Pedraza at [info@calvarysummit.org](mailto:info@calvarysummit.org)*