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BAPTISM PREPARATION Parent Questionnaire

Child's Name: First _____ Last _____
Age: _____
Parent's Name(s): _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Home Phone: _____ Cell: _____
E-Mail: _____

Because of the importance of baptism and the promises you will be making as a parent, we need you to answer the following questions that will allow for an in-depth conversation when you come in for an appointment to prayerfully consider sharing the sacrament with your child(ren).

1. Are you active in our ministry (attend worship, participate in learning, share fellowship, serve as volunteer, reach out to others)? If not, what is the reason?
2. What is your religious faith background (e.g. Lutheran, Roman Catholic, unchurched)? How familiar are you with the Lutheran church (its beliefs and practices)?
3. Where are you at spiritually in your life? (How is your relationship with God? Are you growing in faith, stuck, or searching? Are you worshipping regularly? Do you pray? Are you serving God?)
4. Why are you requesting the sacrament of baptism? Do you know what it means and how it takes place? List any questions you may have.
5. Can you share with your child(ren) what it means to be a Christian? What do you believe about God, Jesus, the Bible, the church and following Jesus as Savior and Lord?

6. If you are planning on selecting sponsors (godparents), what personal qualifications and faith practices will help them in encouraging your child(ren)'s spiritual growth?

7. Will you commit to being actively involved in our congregation to allow others to help you as parents in your faith, and support you in your role of sharing faith with your children?

8. Are you committed to bringing your child(ren) regularly to worship and Christian Education (Sunday School), in order to experience community with other believers and learn to participate in ministry?

9. Are you willing to follow the spiritual recommendations of the pastor that will help you and the church nurture your child(ren)'s relationship with God?

10. Are you willing take specific actions that will allow you to grow in a relationship with God to help your child(ren) receive and live out the promises of God?

11. How may we pray for you? How can we support you spiritually? How could we involve your family in our congregation's life and activities?

12. Are there questions, circumstances or hopes you would like to share with the pastor or the congregation?

Thank you for your interest and your feedback. Please return this questionnaire to our church. You will be contacted by the pastor to set up a meeting in person to discuss your answers and questions in preparation for the sacrament of baptism.