BAPISM

A WORKBOOK FOR

CONGRATULATIONS!

We are so excited to help you on your journey to learn about baptism and discover what baptism means. When you choose to be baptized, it is your way of showing the world that you love Jesus.

Baptism tells the amazing story of how Jesus rescued us from sin through His death and resurrection and how we are forever His by placing our faith in Him. Our baptism displays our participation with Jesus in His death, burial and resurrection. (Romans 6:3-4)

PARENTS:

Your RCC Kids team wants to partner with you as you lead your child towards Jesus. Included in this workbook is a place for you to write a note to your child. This will help to encourage them and let them know how proud you are of their decision to accept Jesus.



Take a moment to answer these questions.

1. Who is Jesus and why is he special?

2. Why did Jesus die?

3. What is sin?

4. Why is it good news that sins can be forgiven?

5. Why do you want to be baptized?

Our Sin Problem

When Adam and Eve disobeyed God in the Garden of Eden they brought sin into the world. Sin separates us from God and has broken our world. When we sin, we turn from God and His ways in order to do what we think is best. Sin always hurts us.

If we stay this way, what will happen?

Isaiah 59:2 NIrV "But your sins have separated you from your God."

Have you sinned against God?_____

What is Sin?

According to Romans 3:23

Who has sinned?

According to Romans 3:23

What happens when we sin?

According to Romans 6:23



So, how do we get to heaven?

According to Romans 6:23

Matthew 22:37–39 NIrV Jesus replied, "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul. Love him with all your mind.' This is the first and most important commandment. And the second is like it. 'Love your neighbor as you love yourself.'"

The MOST important thing is:

The 2nd most important thing is:

What can God do with our sin?

Psalm 103:12 NIrV

"He has removed our sins from us. He has removed them as far as the east is from the west."

Isaiah 43:25 NIrV

"I am the one who wipes out your lawless acts. I do it because of who I am. I will not remember your sins anymore."

Romans 6:23 NIrV

"When you sin, the pay you get is death. But God gives you the gift of eternal life. That's because of what Christ Jesus our Lord has done."

In this space below, please ask God to forgive you of your sins.

What God Did for YOU

Jesus willingly took your punishment upon himself so you could be free to live with Him forever. We were separated from God because of something we had done.

Fill in the blank below with the answer to:
We can be joined with God and live with Him forever because of what did for us.



What We Need to Know

GOD LOVED



"God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son. Anyone who believes in him will not die but will have eternal life." John 3:16 NIrV

ANSWER:

How do you know God loves you?

GOD GAVE

What is the gift that God gave us?

What We Need to Do

REPENT

You change direction by admitting that you sin and turn to God.

1 John 1:9 NIrV

"But God is faithful and fair. If we confess our sins, he will forgive our sins. He will forgive every wrong thing we have done. He will make us pure."

Acts 3:19 NIrV

"So turn away from your sins. Turn to God. Then your sins will be wiped away."





BELIEVE

Think of a chair, when you sit in a chair you put all your weight on it. You trust that it will hold you up. That's what it's like to believe in or to trust in this gift. That's what it's like to believe in the gift of Jesus. To accept the gift that God gave you, you believe that God sent Jesus to die for you so that you can have a relationship with him.

John 14:6 NIrV

"Jesus answered, 'I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.'"

What does it mean to trust in something?

CONFESS

"But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?"
Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah. You are the Son of the living God." Matthew 16:15–16 NIrV

BE BAPTIZED

We **commit** our lives to Jesus and follow his example by being baptized.

"As soon as Jesus was baptized, he came up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened. Jesus saw the Spirit of God coming down on him like a dove." Matthew 3:16 NIrV

We follow the example set by the First Church in Acts 2.

"Peter replied, "All of you must turn away from your sins and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then your sins will be forgiven. You will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." Acts 2:38 NIrV

"Those who accepted his message were baptized. About 3,000 people joined the believers that day." Acts 2:41 NIrV

"After hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus." Acts 19:5 NIrV

Baptism is a picture of Christ Jesus' Death, Burial & Resurrection.

"By being baptized, we were buried with Christ into his death. Christ has been raised from the dead by the Father's glory. And like Christ we also can live a new life." Romans 6:4 NIrV

After Baptism...

Communion



Celebrates The Last Supper and reminds us of Jesus' Death on a cross "While they were eating, Jesus took bread. He gave thanks and broke it. He handed it to his disciples and said, 'Take it. This is my body.' Then he took a cup. He gave thanks and handed it to them. All of them drank from it. 'This is my blood of the covenant,' he said to them. 'It is poured out for many. What I'm about to tell you is true. I won't drink wine with you again until the day I drink it in God's kingdom.' Then they sang a hymn and went out to the Mount of Olives." Mark 14:22–26 NIrV

Reading God's Word



Reading the Bible allows us to learn more about God. The Bible is a letter to each of us from God.

Memorizing God's Word

There are times and places when we might not have a Bible with us, but we need the teaching of God's word. When we memorize, we can recall something without having to see it on paper.

"I have hidden your word in my heart so that I won't sin against you." Psalm 119:11 NIrV



Prayer

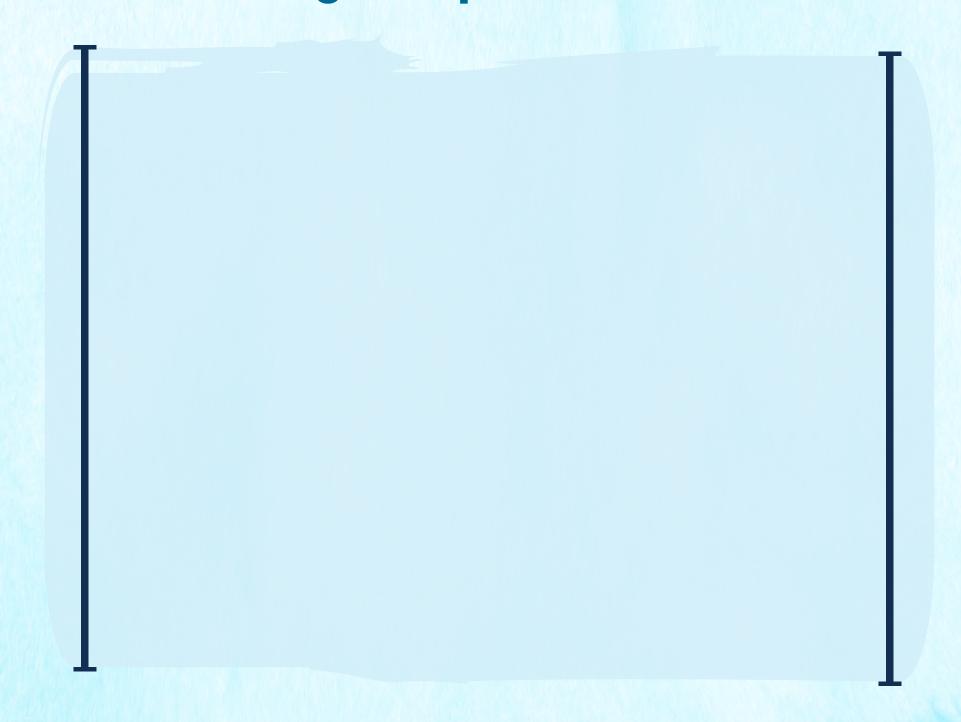
"Don't worry about anything. No matter what happens, tell God about everything. Ask and pray, and give thanks to him." Philippians 4:6 NIrV



Attending Church

Attending church on a regular basis gives you an opportunity to worship God, study the Bible, fellowship with believers and celebrate Communion. All the things the First Church did in Acts 2.

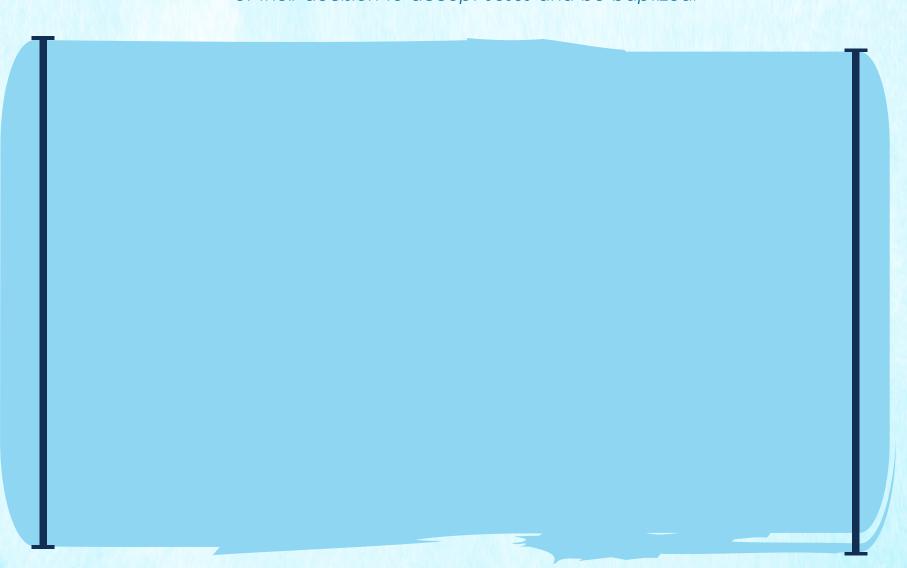
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