



First Presbyterian Church
of **Cranbury**

22 South Main Street
Cranbury, NJ 08512

Baptism Information

When a baby is baptized and “received into Christ’s Church” the parents (for and with the baby) are acknowledging their dependence on God; and that Christ alone is the Savior. They are renewing their Christian vows and are promising to lead their child to the same profession of faith. They are recognizing that the whole church is involved in nurturing the child in Christian faith.

Baptism, according to the New Testament, is a sacrament. It expresses God’s will, not just the will of parent and church.

Parents should consider seriously the implications of baptism. The following points are for their guidance:

1. The minister shall discuss the meaning of baptism with the parents before the event occurs.
2. Except in extraordinary circumstances, the baptism shall take place in the presence of the congregation at a regular service of worship.
3. When a person who is not an active member of the First Presbyterian Church requests that his/her child be baptized within this congregation, he/she shall:
 - a. Give evidence of his/her active membership in a Christian congregation, and
 - b. Shall have the minister, or other officer, of that congregation
 - i. Request that the baptism take place in the Cranbury Presbyterian Church and
 - ii. Give assurance that the name of the child, when baptized, will be entered on the rolls of the church in which the parent has membership.
4. The congregation has a responsibility toward each baptized member. It is to be expected that the Session, as elected representatives of the congregation, will give regular attention to the nurture of the children on the rolls.

(Please be sure this information is correct, then sign and return for the Permanent Church Register
Please return this to the church office at least one week before date of Baptism)

Full Name of the Child: _____ (son or daughter)

Date of Birth: _____ Place of Birth: _____

Full Name of Father: _____

Member of What Church: _____

Full Name of Mother: _____

Member of What Church: _____

Home Address _____

Phone Number _____ Date of Baptism: _____

In presenting our child for baptism, we profess our faith in God as known through our Lord Jesus Christ; and we promise, in dependence on the grace of God, to bring up our child in the fullness of the Christian faith.

Father’s Signature

Mother’s Signature