

# The Sacrament of Baptism

## Preamble and teaching on Baptism

The minister, family, god-parents, elder, gather at the baptismal font. Children of the church may come forward and be seated near the front of the church.

## Introduction

The elder says: On behalf of St. David's Session, I would like to present Addeline Judith Marie Abma-Rudofsky Daughter of Blake Rudofsky and Jennifer Abma who are bringing their child for Christian baptism today.

## Parents Promise

*The minister turns to the couple, and asks questions*

## Congregational Promise

*The Minister turns to the congregation, and puts this question:*

\* Do you, as members of the church of Jesus Christ, promise to guide and nurture Addeline by word and deed, with love and prayer, encourage her to follow the way of Christ and to be a faithful member of his church? If so respond; we do.

**We do.**

May God richly bless you and give you grace faithfully to fulfill the promises made this day.

## Confession of Faith

As we remain standing, turn to the Baptismal insert as we confess our faith together in the words of the Apostles Creed. Please join with me.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord.  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit  
born of the virgin Mary.  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

**He descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again.**

**He ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the  
Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

## The Act of Baptizing

## Blessing

This little one is received by us as a charge from our Lord. Let us bless Addeline in Christ's name:

## **Hymn: #619 The Aaronic Blessing**

The Lord bless you and keep you;  
the Lord make his face shine upon you,  
and be gracious unto you;  
the Lord lift up his countenance upon you  
and give you his peace.

## Charge

The elder presents the baptismal certificate.  
Following this the Minister invites the families to take their places in the congregation.