

Children's Baptism at Parkway Community Church

The Parkway Community Church always enjoys baptizing children and welcoming their families. We do so with this understanding. The faith position of the Reformed Church in America (of which Parkway Church is a part) regarding infant baptism is that parents who bring children for baptism are themselves baptized believers and they are actively living out their faith and fully participating in the life of a church. Moreover, the vows that are part of the baptismal liturgy assume that the family of the baptized child is part of the family of God, so that the congregation pledges, in the baptismal liturgy, to support the child and family in fellowship, prayer, and service. Thus, baptism in the Reformed Church is a deeply communal and congregational experience.

Parents who are not already members of Parkway Church and wish to baptize a child here need to take a few steps. (1) Come and visit us on a Sunday morning. Our worship service is at 10 a.m. We believe you will like what you see. (2) Stay long enough to become a member. This commonly occurs after worshipping with us for a few months and then attending a membership class. (3) Discover the joy of being part of a church family and then request that your child be baptized in celebration of God's goodness and mercy. (4) Set a date and celebrate!

We do not charge money for baptisms. Nor do we charge church members for the use of our halls to celebrate the baptism. We seek a higher cost - your commitment to Jesus Christ and to his family the church. If you are not a committed Christian, we invite you to discover the meaning of Christian faith and practice by attending the life of Parkway Church.

Persons wishing further information are welcome to contact the church through this website. The pastor or one of our lay leaders will respond to your inquiry.