

# APPLICATION FOR HOLY BAPTISM (CHILD)

OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH — FISHKILL, NEW YORK

Full Name of Child: \_\_\_\_\_

Male  
 Female

Child's Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Place of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Name of Father at **his** birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Date and Place of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Name of Mother at **her** birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Date and Place of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Family's Current Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

## STATEMENT OF FAMILY COMMITMENT

*Complete one of the columns below.*

### Married Parents:

We stood before God  
on \_\_\_\_\_ (date) at  
\_\_\_\_\_ (place) in  
\_\_\_\_\_ (city/state)  
and pledged our lifelong commitment to  
one another.

Signed,

\_\_\_\_\_ (father)

\_\_\_\_\_ (mother)

### Unmarried Parents:

Although we are not legally married, we recognize that we have a moral obligation to each other and to our child to work for the welfare of one another and for our common good. We acknowledge that, in the sight of God, we are a family, and we commit this day to one another and to Almighty God that we will live accordingly and not depart from this supremely important commitment.

Signed in the presence of the pastor:

\_\_\_\_\_ (father)

\_\_\_\_\_ (mother)

\_\_\_\_\_ (pastor)

\_\_\_\_\_ (date)

### Single Parent:

For the reason marked below, I have the sole responsibility in my family for the spiritual upbringing of this child. Therefore I will especially rely on the church and on the godparents for assistance in raising my child as a Child of God.

Signed,

\_\_\_\_\_ (parent)

Other parent is:

Deceased

Living separately

Living in same household but not committing

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## The Meaning of Baptism

Baptism is no mere symbolic act, nor is it a rite of passage. It is God's very act of taking a child — who was born thoroughly corrupted by original sin and separated from Him — and making that child His own through a washing of rebirth and renewal (Titus 3:5). Regardless of the membership status of the parents, the child becomes a member not only of God's family but also of Our Savior Lutheran Church. We/I, the parent(s) of this child, understand and accept the important responsibility of raising him/her so that he/she grows up into the Christian faith.

Signed,

\_\_\_\_\_

(father)

\_\_\_\_\_

(mother)

## Godparents

Full Names of Godparents (up to four; no minimum):

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_

**Please Note!** Each godparent must complete a "Godparent Application" (or one per married couple).

## The Apostles' Creed

*The Apostles' Creed has been recognized for nearly two thousand years as a concise statement of the Christian faith into which a person is baptized. This creed will be confessed (in English) as part of the Baptism service.*

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. On the third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is sitting at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty. From thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.**

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

*Credo in Deum Patrem omnipotentem, Creatorem caeli et terrae.*

*Et in Iesum Christum, Filium Eius unicum, Dominum nostrum, qui conceptus est de Spiritu Sancto, natus ex Maria Virgine, passus sub Pontio Pilato, crucifixus, mortuus, et sepultus, descendit ad inferos, tertia die resurrexit a mortuis, ascendit ad caelos, sedet ad dexteram Patris omnipotentis, inde venturus est iudicare vivos et mortuos.*

*Credo in Spiritum Sanctum, sanctam ecclesiam catholicam, sanctorum communionem, remissionem peccatorum, carnis resurrectionem, vitam aeternam. Amen.*