

Infant Dedication



Commit to teaching your child what it means to **follow Jesus.**

Congratulations!

A new baby in your family is such an **exciting** time!

We believe what the Bible says in Psalm 127:3 "Children are a gift from the LORD." We are so happy that we can share in this joy of your life. God has given parents the most influence in the lives of their children and we hope that you will continue to look to Grace Chapel for love and support for your new baby and your new family.



What is this step in my child's life?

Dedicating your baby is a way to make a promise to God to do everything within your power to raise your child in a Godly and prayerful way as he or she grows and moves toward making a personal decision to follow God. Some of these responsibilities include teaching and training your child in God's word, demonstrating an example of Godliness, and praying for your child.

Dedication

Our infant service is a blessing with the focus being on dedication to God.

For infants, we perform dedications since they are too young to know and confess verbally that Jesus is their personal savior.

We understand that many people may have been raised in a tradition where infants were required to be baptized. However, this is not a requirement of scripture. At Grace, we explain this to everyone and follow the dedication process Jesus goes through in Luke 2. Baptism is not salvation.

It is then your commitment to God to raise your child in a way they will know Jesus the best they can.

Our hope is that one day, as an adult, your child will decide to be baptized by immersion and confess with their own mouth that

Jesus is their personal savior!

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Your Child's Ceremony

We want to make your day special for your family and friends!

We will show a picture slideshow of your child and our pastor will speak about the meaning of the ceremony and the commitment that you as a parent are making to God to raise your child toward a personal decision to follow Him.

Some parents choose to have **Godparents**- family members or friends who will help assume responsibility along with parents for the spiritual life of your child, to participate in the ceremony. This is a personal choice for each family.

Raising a Godly child

Raise and love your child keeping in mind that he or she is a uniquely-created gift from God.

You have the opportunity to be the most influential person in your child's life. Model what it means to follow Jesus.

Rely on God to lead and show you the path for your child. Teach your child that the Bible's truth is timeless and speaks to our everyday lives.

Regularly pray for and with your child—asking for God's guidance in leading.

Seek opportunities to be in community with other believers, modeling to your child what it means to live in community with others who follow Jesus.

To Schedule Your Ceremony

Please call the Grace Chapel Office to confirm your desired date and time availability. Ceremonies can be scheduled on Saturday or Sunday, during service.

Phone: (724) 962-5000, ext. 111

Office Hours: Mon. through Fri., 9 am to 4 pm

SUBMITTING SLIDESHOW PHOTOS

We ask that you provide 15-20 pictures of your child both alone as well as with family members and friends. Please choose photos that are well-lit and in focus.

We would love for you to call Grace Chapel your Church Home.

We want to provide a place every week for you to experience the life changing presence of God, connect with encouraging people, and leave ready to make a difference in your community.

Service Times: Sat. 5:30 PM • Sun. 9:30 & 11:15 AM • Online Sun. 9:30 AM

