What is dedication?

Dedication is a tradition churches have developed to celebrate the birth or adoption of a child. The word "dedicate" means to set aside or commit to a sacred purpose. Dedication means committing a child to God and God's purposes for that child. It is a time of public and personal commitment where parents promise to raise their children with godly principles, so that one day when they are ready and understand they will choose to accept Christ. Through this ceremony, you show God, your friends and your family that you are willing to take on the solemn responsibility of guiding your child into a relationship with God.

What age child can be dedicated?

Our primary focus is on children from birth to 18 months. However, we deal with each family on an individual basis.

Do I have to be a member of CrossPoint to dedicate my child?

Yes. Because of the great importance of the dedication process, we request all participants to be followers of Christ and be active members in the life of CrossPoint.

How do I participate in Family Dedication?

Each parent interested in dedicating their children is required to attend a one-hour pre-dedication class. The class is during the 10:45AM hour. Family Dedication Candidates may register online to participate.

What is the Pre-Dedication Class?

The class, held two weeks prior to the dedication service is a required part of the dedication process.

The informational class will explore the biblical foundations for dedication, the principles for Christian parenting, answer questions about the process and discuss the details of the dedication service.

Can a single parent participate in Family Dedication?

Yes. We want to do all we can to encourage your walk with Christ. As a church family, we desire to be a part of your extended family.

How is dedication different from baptism?

It is not a sacrament, nor is it a declaration of a child's faith. Rather, it is a matter of the parents dedicating themselves to the Lord. Baptism is a public affirmation of an individual's commitment to Jesus Christ.

Does dedicating my child mean he or she will be "saved"?

Dedication does not impart grace or salvation. The Bible is clear that we are saved by God's grace, not by dedication, baptism, or our own works. We do not equate dedication with salvation, baptism or membership. All of these areas must be established by your child when he/she reaches the age of accountability.

Who should I invite to the service?

The Family Dedication is a very special time, so be sure to invite your family and friends. There is no limit on the number of guests you may invite.

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