
How Do I Join Our Church

At the end of worship, you are invited to come forward to the Pastor and join by one of these ways:

- 1) **By Transferring** your membership from your current church.
- 2) **By Profession of Faith:** declaring your belief in Jesus Christ and committing to support Christ's church. *A second baptism is **NOT** necessary, but if you have never been baptized, please contact the Pastor to make arrangements.*
- 3) **By Restoration:** for former members of this congregation who wish to renew their commitment to Christ's Church.

How do Methodists understand Baptism?

Baptism is one of two sacraments celebrated in the United Methodist Church (*the other being Communion. A sacrament is an outward and visible sign of God's invisible and spiritual grace.*) In our Baptism God **cleanses** us of our sins; God **claims** us and makes us Children of God. Through God's claiming we become heirs of all the promises of God. Finally, Baptism places us in the **community** of faith; so Baptism is how we become members of Christ's Church.

Do I have to be Baptized when I join the Church?

If you have already been baptized, then there is no need to be baptized again (*God always gets it right the first time.*) Joining members will be asked to faithfully respond to these questions:

- 1) *Do you confess Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior, put your whole trust in His grace, and promise to serve Him as your Lord?*
- 2) *Will you support the ministries of Christ's Church by your prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness?*

If you have never been baptized, or would like to baptize your child, please contact the Pastor to make these special arrangements.

Information Card

So that we can get to know you better, please give this card to the Church Office or to the Pastor.

Name(s)	Birthday	Baptized?
_____	_____	yes no
_____	_____	yes no
_____	_____	yes no
_____	_____	yes no
_____	_____	yes no

Street Address: _____

Mailing Address (*if different*) _____

City: _____ Zip code: _____

Home Phone: (_____) _____

Other Phone: (work) (cell) (_____) _____

Other Phone: (work) (cell) (_____) _____

Anniversary Date: _____

E-mail(s): _____

Former Church: _____
