

The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd

Holy Baptism **INFORMATION FORM**

*“We thank you Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in His death.
By it we share in His resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit.” (BCP)*

Baptism at the Church of the Good Shepherd is part of our community life, and is held on Sunday mornings as part of our celebration of the Eucharist (please see ***Dates for Baptism***). Prior to Baptism, the clergy meet with candidates and their families, so that we all have an opportunity to reflect on the significance of baptism. Whether we are coming to baptism later in life, or we are parents presenting a baby for baptism, this is a time to slow down, examine our values and commitments, and think about what it means to join our lives to the ongoing life of Christ in His Church. For more information about Baptism at the Church of the Good Shepherd, please read ***What is Baptism?*** Please return the ***Baptism Information Form*** and the ***Declaration of Intention*** to the Church Office.

SECTION I – FAMILY INFORMATION

Candidate’s Full Name (no initials)

Full Name _____ Preferred Name _____
First Middle Last

Male ___ Female ___ Date of Birth _____ Place of Birth _____

Baptism Date _____

Father’s Full Name (no initials)

Full Name _____
First Middle Last

Member of Good Shepherd? Yes ___ No ___
Baptized? Yes ___ No ___
Confirmed or Received? Yes ___ No ___

Mother’s Full Maiden Name (no initials)

Full Name _____
First Middle Last

Member of Good Shepherd? Yes ___ No ___
Baptized? Yes ___ No ___
Confirmed or Received? Yes ___ No ___

Address _____ City _____ State ___ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Business Phone (Father) _____ (Mother) _____

Email Address _____ Email Address _____

Religious Affiliation of Parents _____

SECTION II – GODPARENT and SPONSOR INFORMATION

Godparents and Sponsors must be baptized Christians. *“Each candidate for Holy Baptism is to be sponsored by one or more baptized persons. Sponsors of adults and older children present their candidates and thereby signify their endorsement of the candidates and their intention to support them by prayer and example in Christian life. Sponsors of infants, commonly called Godparents, present their candidates, make promises in their own names, and also take vows on behalf of their candidates. It is fitting that parents be included among the godparents of their own children. Parents and godparents are to be instructed in the meaning of Baptism, in their duties to help the new Christians grow in the knowledge and love of God, and in their responsibilities as members of his Church.” (BCP)*

Please give ***full names*** (no initials) of each godparent. If a godmother is married, include ***full maiden name***.

1. Full Name _____

2. Full Name _____

3. Full Name _____

4. Full Name _____

First Middle Last

For Office Use:

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Date _____ Time _____ Date _____ Time _____

Priest _____