

## Baptism 2

Date: September 21, 2021 (online)

Welcome!

Announcements: CLAY/Youth Worship this Sunday, October 3, please come at 9:00 am to help out (hot chocolate and snacks provided!)

### Review from last week's lesson on Baptism: What do you remember?

- What is "Confirmation" properly called?  
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- What 2 things are essential for a baptism (not including the people?) \_\_\_\_\_ + \_\_\_\_\_
- What promises do parents/guardians make at a baptism?
  
- What does God promise?
  
- What 3 names are we baptized under?  
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- What 2 gifts do we receive? \_\_\_\_\_ + \_\_\_\_\_
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### Watch a Video on Baptism (3:48)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-BQ-H8v3hP4&t=15s>



Let's read about these 2 baptism stories:

## Paul's Conversion, Acts 9

9 Meanwhile Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest <sup>2</sup> and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. <sup>3</sup> Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. <sup>4</sup> He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" <sup>5</sup> He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. <sup>6</sup> But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." <sup>7</sup> The men who were traveling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. <sup>8</sup> Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. <sup>9</sup> For three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.



<sup>10</sup> Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." He answered, "Here I am, Lord." <sup>11</sup> The Lord said to him, "Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, <sup>12</sup> and he has seen in a vision [\[a\]](#) a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." <sup>13</sup> But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in Jerusalem; <sup>14</sup> and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who invoke your name." <sup>15</sup> But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before Gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; <sup>16</sup> I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." <sup>17</sup> So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul [\[b\]](#) and said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and

be filled with the Holy Spirit.”<sup>18</sup> And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized,<sup>19</sup> and after taking some food, he regained his strength.

## **Philip and the Ethiopian** **Acts 8:26-31, 34-39**

<sup>26</sup> Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, “Get up and go toward the south<sup>[a]</sup> to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.” (This is a wilderness road.)<sup>27</sup> So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship<sup>28</sup> and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah.<sup>29</sup> Then the Spirit said to Philip, “Go over to this chariot and join it.”<sup>30</sup> So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, “Do you understand what you are reading?”<sup>31</sup> He replied, “How can I, unless someone guides me?” And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him.



<sup>34</sup> The eunuch asked Philip, “About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?”<sup>35</sup> Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus.<sup>36</sup> As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, “Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?”<sup>[b]</sup><sup>38</sup> He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip<sup>[c]</sup> baptized him.<sup>39</sup> When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing.

### Titus 3:4-7 – Gift of the Holy Spirit

<sup>4</sup>But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, <sup>5</sup>**he saved us, not because of any works** of righteousness that we had done, but **according to his mercy**, through the water of

rebirth and renewal by the **Holy Spirit**. <sup>6</sup>This Spirit he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, <sup>7</sup>so that, having been **justified by his grace**, we might become heirs according to the **hope of eternal life**.

### 1 Corinthians 12:12-14 – welcomed into the body of Christ – family of God.

<sup>12</sup>For just as the body is one and has **many members**, and all the members of the body, though many, **are one body**, so it is with Christ. <sup>13</sup>For in the **one Spirit** we were all **baptized into one body**—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. <sup>14</sup>Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many.

### Acts 2:38-39 – Repentance, forgiveness of sin, gift of Holy Spirit.

<sup>38</sup>Peter said to them, “**Repent**, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your **sins may be forgiven**; and you will **receive the gift of the Holy Spirit**. <sup>39</sup>For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.”

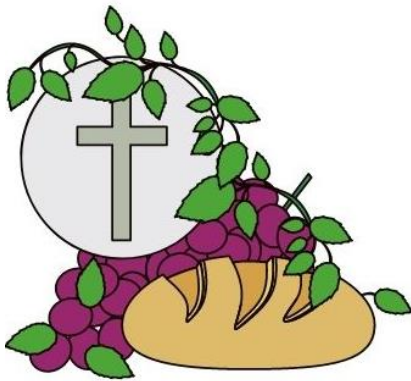
What are the gifts we are freely given in baptism?

1. The gift of the **Holy Spirit and faith**.
2. The **forgiveness** of Sin and **Salvation**.
3. The gift of **community** in the body of Christ.



How do we experience these gifts?

1. Holy Spirit is always with us, guiding us, helping us, and strengthening us. It is by the power of the Holy Spirit that we are able to have faith.



2. We experience the gift of forgiveness **through the sacraments** – through water in remembering our baptisms, through wine/juice and bread, we hear that God loves us, have grace for us, and forgives us. We can also experience this in a different way every time we ask God or our family / friends for forgiveness.

3. In baptism you are **joined to the body of Christ** – not just here in your local congregation – but the body of Christ in every time and place – this means you are part of a big family of God who will care for and support you in your walk with God.

