

Baptism

What is Baptism?

- *Baptizo* (Greek) = to submerge, to immerse, to dip, to overwhelm

“As Jesus came up out of the water,” - Mark 1:10 NLT

“...they went down into the water...they came up out of the water...” - Acts 8:38-39 NLT

- It doesn't save us!

“God saved you by his grace when you believed. And you can't take credit for this; it is a gift from God. 9 Salvation is not a reward for the good things we have done, so none of us can boast about it.” - Eph 2:8-9 NLT

- It is a symbolic act

For you were buried with Christ when you were baptized. And with him you were raised to new life because you trusted the mighty power of God, who raised Christ from the dead. 13 You were dead because of your sins and because your sinful nature was not yet cut away. Then God made you alive with Christ, for he forgave all our sins. 14 He canceled the record of the charges against us and took it away by nailing it to the cross.

- Colossians 2:12-14 NLT

Why Should We Be Baptized?

- **Because it is a public declaration of our inner transformation!**

...people should be baptized to show that they had repented of their sins and turned to God to be forgiven.

- Mark 1:4 NLT

- **Because Jesus is our example!**

One day Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee, and John baptized him in the Jordan River. - Mark 1:9 NLT

But Jesus said, “It should be done, for we must carry out all that God requires.” - Matthew 3:15 NLT

- **Because it confirms our identity!**

John announced: “Someone is coming soon who is greater than I am—so much greater that I'm not even worthy to stoop down like a slave and untie the straps of his sandals. 8 I baptize you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit!” 9 One day Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee, and John baptized him in the Jordan River. 10 As Jesus came up out of the water, he saw the heavens splitting apart and the Holy Spirit descending on him like a dove. 11 And a voice from heaven said, “You are my dearly loved Son, and you bring me great joy.” - Mark 1:7-11 NLT

- **Because Jesus is Lord!**

“Jesus came and told his disciples, “I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth. 19 Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.” - Matthew 28:18-19 NLT

“If you love me, obey my commandments.” - John 14:15 NLT

Talk it Over

- Have you been baptized in water? Talk to someone about your experience!
- Would you like to be baptized in water? Talk to a pastor or church leader and let them know, or keep your ears and eyes open for the next time your church gives an opportunity!

Suggested Reading Plan: [What is Baptism?](#)

Announcements:

- **Sunday Service @ 10 AM.** Visit newlife-saugerties.org for our location and livestream link. Nursery is available for children up to age 4, and KidZone is available for ages 5-11. Find sermon notes, suggested Bible reading plan, prayer request form, and connection card under “Events” on the [YouVersion Bible App](#).
 - **Sunday November 20**
 - **Water Baptisms** following the service!
 - **Harvest Party** to follow!
 - **CandyPalooza** in KidZone!
 - **Baby Bottle Campaign** ends.
- **Girl’s Ministry** Tuesdays from 5:30-6:30 PM! See Sharee Haromontelongo for more info.
- **Finish Line Youth** Fridays from 7 to 8:30 PM! See Pastor James for more info.
 - **No Youth 11/25. Happy Thanksgiving!**
- **Missions Focus:**
 - Offerings will be received throughout November to help **the DeMartinos, missionaries to Mexico**, purchase a facility to serve the hungry and the homeless in Guadalajara. Please be sure to write “DeMartino” on your envelope or in the memo of your check.
- **Christmas Services**
 - New Life presents **A Not So Silent Night** Sunday December 18 @ 10 AM.
 - **Carols Service** Saturday December 24 @ 10 AM.
 - **No services on December 25, Christmas Day!**