

Please return to office as soon as possible.

Next Baptism Instruction Class _____

Next Baptism Date _____

Please specify which service _____ 9:30 _____ 11:00

The First Presbyterian Church

617 Main Street
Irwin, PA 15642

Name of Parents _____

Mother's Name (including maiden name): _____

Father's Full Name _____

Mailing Address _____

Phone Number _____ Work Phone Number _____

Name of Child _____

Date of Birth _____ Place of Birth _____

As parents requesting baptism of your child in the *First Presbyterian Church* of Irwin it is required that you be *active* in the life and ministry of the church. Will you kindly complete the following information.

There are Three Basic Expectations.....

Worship means participation in the services of worship and sacraments. The public praise of God is the principal means by which the members of the congregation give voice to their faith in Jesus Christ and bear witness to God's grace. As a member you have promised to be constant in your worship, offering your praise to God Sunday after Sunday with your fellow 'believer priests.'

- I am a member of the Church: Father _____ Mother _____
- I worship regularly: Father _____ at the _____ service.
Mother _____ at the _____ service.
- The last time of my participation in Communion was.....
Father _____ Mother _____

Servicethe church is designed to offer all types of people, with various abilities and interests an opportunity to express their faith in prayer, study, and service. Membership is more than money and attendance at worship. It is participation in the life and work of the Church. Those having children have a special responsibility for the Christian nurture of those children. Because of this, participation in the educational processes of this parish is not an option to be used occasionally, but a matter of fidelity to our baptismal vows. We take the Church seriously, primarily because it is Christ's Church, and as a member of this church we have placed ourselves under the discipline of this church. It should be clearly understood that membership in a Presbyterian Church is not an idle matter that can be fulfilled at one's convenience and leisure, but a high calling and privileged responsibility.

- I belong to or participate in the following organizations of the church (please list)

Financial Supportwe support the work of Christ and His Church through our gifts of money. We make no apology for the fact that the work of Christ and His Church needs money and a great deal of it. We use the various stewardship programs for our church, and as responsible members of this church, members are expected to pledge liberally and to keep their pledges. "Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." All members are urged to set aside a proportion of their weekly income for the service of God through this church and its missionary agencies.

- I make an annual estimate of giving in support of the financial needs of the church.
Yes_____ No_____ I am current in my giving Yes _____ No_____

Questions for Review by Parents Requesting Baptism of Children

The church will provide instructions for children at Sunday School, Youth Club, Fellowships and Retreats. We depend on the assistance of parents and other adult leaders to accomplish our task and wish to solicit your participation. How will you help?

- I will be willing to assist at Sunday School as a teacher _____
- I will be willing to assist as a Vacation Bible School teacher _____
- I will be willing to be a substitute teacher (Sunday School) _____
- I will be willing to work with Youth Club in the following capacity _____

The church will provide instruction for children at Sunday School starting with age 3.

- I will register my child for Sunday School when he/she turns 3. _____
- Please register my child for the 3 year old class and let me know when it is time for him/her to begin. _____

The church provides nursery services at all regularly scheduled services and for special occasions. We need parents (men and women) to serve as volunteers and solicit your assistance.

- I am willing to serve once a month _____ 9:30 service _____ 11:00 service _____
- Which Sunday? First _____ Second _____ Third _____ Fourth _____ Fifth _____
- Please send me a notice _____

The church needs adult leaders for special programs, musical accompaniment, transportation and other events. What special talents or assistance are you willing to provide?

Father

Mother

For Office Use

Date of parental attendance for training _____

Last recorded attendance at Communion _____

Regular in attendance. Yes _____ No _____

Presented to Session for approval. Date: _____

Approved _____ Approved but to wait six months _____

Request denied _____

Notification of parents _____

Date of Last Child's Baptism _____