



RED DOOR CHURCH



BAPTISM

WHAT IS BAPTISM?

Baptism is an outward/public expression of an inward/personal reality - the reality of faith in Jesus.

"Peter said, 'Surely no one can stand in the way of their being baptised with water. They have received the Holy Spirit just as we have.' So he ordered that they be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ." - Acts 10:46

Because we exist to help people make all of life all about Jesus, witnessing and celebrating baptisms in our church brings us great joy!

WHO, HOW, AND WHEN?

Because baptism is a public expression of faith in Jesus, it is reserved for those who have an active Christian faith.

All of the baptisms we perform are conducted in the context of a church service. This is because, during the baptism service, we call on the members of our church to promise to nurture the faith of the person being baptised. This is a commitment we take very seriously!

We have several baptism services scheduled into the calendar each year. When someone expresses an interest in being baptised, we begin a process that starts with a conversation with one of our pastors.

Only after this point do we schedule the baptism itself.

WHAT ABOUT INFANTS?

We offer two options to parents of infants:

Infant Baptism Service:

In an Infant Baptism service, parents promise to raise their child to love and follow Jesus, and the child is then baptised with water.

At a later point in the child's life, it is appropriate for them to be 'confirmed'. This is an opportunity for them to publicly affirm the promises made by their parents at their baptism.

Dedication Service:

In a dedication service, parents promise to raise their child to love and follow Jesus, and baptism with water is reserved until the child can make his or her own decision to be baptised.

WHAT ABOUT NON CHURCH MEMBERS?

Committing to life-long faith in Jesus is not something we recommend attempting on your own! You're going to need a community of fellow believers to love, challenge and support you.

For this reason, we do not baptise those who are not regular members of our church community.

That said, we would love to welcome you into the life of our church. After getting to know each other for a while, you might like to pursue baptism.

For more information about baptism, or any other aspect of church life at Red Door, please contact info@reddoorchurch.com.au

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