

## Clifton Pastoral Charge Baptismal Policy



1. Baptism is a symbolic act that signifies new life and acceptance into a church family
2. Baptism is open to all ages. We recognize and welcome those baptized from other denominations.
3. Baptisms are usually offered seasonally, three times per year (February, May and November).
4. All requests for baptism are welcome and are administered with the consent of session. Session normally meets quarterly.
5. Once the minister has been contacted, and an appointment has been made with her/him, then the incumbent minister(s) will request a meeting with the candidate or parents. The significance of baptism will be discussed, as well as the involvement of the parents and the involvement of the congregation.

The member of session, elder of the district in which the family lives, will be available for a follow-up visit.