

Get In Touch

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If you would like more information, or to talk to someone about arranging a baptism or thanksgiving service we would love to hear from you.

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In Baptism, the Church partners with you to raise your children with Christian values and understandings. You are accepted and embraced into a loving community, who try to live out those values in every part of their lives. It is offered freely and generously, as God's love is offered to everyone.



Gordon-Pymble Uniting Church

Engaging Community, Exploring Faith

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Exploring Baptism for your Child

Baptism and Thanksgiving Services
Options to consider for your child
within the Uniting Church.



Welcome to the celebration!

In the Uniting Church in Australia, we celebrate the sacred moments of Baptism and Thanksgiving. These beautiful ceremonies provide opportunity to mark significant milestones in one's spiritual journey, offering moments of gratitude and joy within our faith community.



Baptism

- Baptism is the church's way of celebrating and naming the grace of God living in every one of God's children.
- It is the way we bring new members into the life of the universal Christian community.
- Baptism marks the entry point into the lifetime journey of following Christ and of sharing in ministry in the world.
- It is a spiritual and symbolic act, that Jesus himself participated in.
- In baptism we are claimed as God's own and live within the transforming and healing presence of God.

The service of baptism is a rich tradition which connects you and your child into the Church across the world and through time.

You as parents are asked to dedicate your child's life to God and to commit yourselves publicly to nurturing your child in a Christian home and environment. In baptism your child becomes a member of the Church.

The Uniting Church believes that the baptism of children is an act of God's grace. Therefore, our congregation makes promises to support you in nurturing your child in the faith of Christ as part of our church family. The celebration of baptism always occurs within a normal service of worship.

Thanksgiving

We believe that God is intimately involved in every part of our lives and it is good to both celebrate and ask for God's blessing. A Service of Thanksgiving for and Blessing of a Child may be a more suitable option for you at this important moment in your family's life.

This service is a wonderful way of celebrating your child's birth and the journey of life you are on as a family.

The Minister offers a prayer of thanksgiving and a special blessing is given that includes making the sign of the cross on the forehead of your child.

You as parents make a promise to love and care for your child and the Congregation celebrates in your joy. It is our hope that, at some time in your child's life, he or she will choose to be baptised.

The Thanksgiving and Blessing usually occur within a normal service of worship. While there is no expectation of membership, the gathered community of faith represents the enfolding of God's love for all people.