

## Central Telford Parish Child Baptism Policy January 2018

The PCC desires that those seeking baptism for their child should be able to understand fully the promises they are making prior to the decision as to what is best for both them and their child. Those seeking a baptism will be invited to fully engage with the life of the Church in order to understand the context of Baptism as the door into membership of the Body of Christ. This will involve attending some preparation and regularly attend Sunday Church services. The options open to the family will be explained at the conclusion of the preparation and only at this stage will a date for a Baptism or Thanksgiving Service be discussed and agreed. Other arrangements for Baptism may be made at the discretion of the Clergy in extreme circumstances. It is the desire of the Church that the process of Baptism shall enable both Parents and Child to encounter God and understand his love, that they might grow together into a relationship with Him.

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