

## BAPTISM PREPARATION

At your baptism, you will be asked if you believe in the truths codified in the Apostles' Creed. Please take time to read through it carefully several times. Familiarize yourself with each of its points. When we meet, we will talk about the questions below (there is no need to write them out).

**Do you believe in God, the Father almighty?**

**Do you believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was born of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, who was crucified under Pontius Pilate and was buried, and the third day rose from the dead, who ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father, and will come to judge the living and the dead?**

**Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy church, the remission of sins, the resurrection of the flesh, and the life everlasting?**

1. Why do you want to be baptized?
2. Is baptism necessary? Why or why not?
3. Does baptism save you?
4. What does baptism illustrate?
5. What does repentance mean?
6. Is repentance necessary? Why or why not?
7. When do you consider to be the starting point of your walk with Christ?
8. Comment on the title, "our Lord."
9. Why is Pontius Pilate mentioned in the creed?
10. What does "remission of sins" mean?
11. How are sins remitted?
12. What is the "resurrection of the flesh" referring to?
13. Why does the creed include the words, "and he was buried?"

14. What is the "holy church?"
15. Name at least 3 things that are significant about the resurrection of Jesus and/or his ascension into heaven.
16. What is faith? How, exactly, does someone place his faith in Jesus?
17. What does it mean to be a Christian?
18. What is the motivation for living a godly life that is pleasing to God?
19. Full Name  
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20. Age \_\_\_\_\_

At the baptism, you will be given an opportunity to tell all the witnesses why you are getting baptized, and to comment on your commitment to live for Christ.