



CHILD DEDICATION

We are so excited that you are interested in Child Dedication. We believe this is a significant milestone in your families life and it is our hope and prayer that this moment serves as a launching point of your child's faith journey.

WHAT IS CHILD DEDICATION?

The word 'dedication' means to consecrate or the act of setting apart people or things to serve God. Dedication at SCC is one of the many ways we partner with families in the discipleship of your children. It is a commitment from families to steward the children God has entrusted to you and raise them in a Christ-centered home. This is not salvation or baptism for your child, but a decision that you are making as the primary discipler to intentionally lead them towards a relationship with Jesus Christ.



WHY CHILD DEDICATION?

Stewardship -

Deuteronomy 6:6-8 says “These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.” Child dedication is a time to recognize that our children belong to the Lord and to ask His help as we raise them to know and imitate Jesus.

Obedience -

2 Timothy 3:14-17 “ But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, and how from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God^[a] may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.” Child dedication is a commitment to raise your child in obedience to scripture and model the love and grace that Christ has shown us.

Community -

Partnering with families means something in Radiant Kids, it means coming alongside your family and encouraging, supporting and equipping you as you seek to raise disciples.

WHAT TO EXPECT

When you submit a Child Dedication form, you understand that you will be meeting with the Kids Ministry Director and Pastor of SCC for a time of encouragement and equipping you with information about dedication and answering any questions you may have.

To participate in our in-service dedication, parents should:

- Have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ
- Regularly attend SCC
- Agree with SCC Core values
- Model these beliefs by being a leading example in faith and conduct.

Families dedicating children are invited before the congregation during a Sunday morning service and are asked to publicly commit to the church their intent to raise their child in a Christ-Centered home. This in-service celebration is an opportunity of your church family to partner with you on this discipleship journey.





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