

## Baptism Celebration Ideas

Baptism! What an event! Baptism Birthdays! What special days to celebrate what God has done for His children. Lutheran Schools! What special places to celebrate Baptism Birthdays or Faith Celebration Days.

Here are some ideas and thoughts on celebrating these milestones of faith!

- Assign school faith partners. Let each child create a napkin ring and placemat for the other to use at lunch on the Baptism or Faith Celebration Day. This project can span grade levels. All napkin rings and placemats can be made early in the year and organized for a timely distribution. Provide an extra special dessert for the faith partners to share
- Upper grade children can make baptismal gift candles by melting used candles to be given as gifts to infants when baptized. The school child can even present the candle at the appropriate time in the worship setting
- Use a quick-setting concrete to make stepping-stones. Each child can write his or her name and significant date in the mix. Special shells or other significant stones or items can be used. Add the stepping-stones to an outdoor walkway as the year progresses.
- Quilts can be made with class-assigned designs. The squares can be pieced and quilted by upper grade students and the presented by a school representative to infants at Baptism.
- Celebrate baptismal birthdays once a month at or after chapel. Call all teachers, students, and staff forward who have their baptismal birthday that month to receive a card and have a special prayer. Could sing #238 in All God's People Sing hymnbook
- Decorate the desk of the child celebrating, light a candle during class devotions as a remembrance of the candle lit at their baptism
- Talk about the baptismal birthday gifts each child receives – Jesus' gift of forgiveness and eternal life! By faith we all celebrate together because in Jesus we all have