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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Rhett William Roehrbein

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Words of Institution:

Hear the words of Jesus:

All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and remember, I am with you always to the close of the age.

Introduction to the meaning of Baptism:

Obedying Jesus and confident of his promises, we Baptize those whom God has called. In Baptism, God claims us, and seals us to show that we belong to God.

In Baptism, we are freed from sin and death; and are united with Jesus Christ in his death and resurrection.

By water and the Holy Spirit, we are made members of the Church – the Body of Christ – and are joined to Christ’s ministry of love, peace and justice.

Let us remember with joy our own Baptisms as we celebrate this sacrament.

Representing the Session: On behalf of the Session, I present **Rhett William Roehrbein**, child of Tristan and Bethany Roehrbein, to receive the sacrament of baptism.

Questions of the Parents:

Do you affirm your faith in Jesus Christ? **We do.**

Do you claim God’s covenant promises on behalf of your child, **Rhett**?
And do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for his salvation?

We do.

Do you promise to be an example of the new life in Jesus Christ for him?

We do.

Minister: Do you, members of Providence Forge Presbyterian Church, promise to guide and nurture **Rhett** by word and deed, with love and prayer, encouraging him to know and follow Jesus Christ and to be a faithful member of his church?

Congregation: We do.

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Minister: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Minister: We give you thanks, Eternal God, for you nourish and sustain all living things by the gift of water. In the beginning of time, your Spirit moved over the watery chaos, calling forth order and life.

In the time of Noah, you destroyed evil by the waters of the flood, giving righteousness a new beginning.

You led Israel out of slavery, through the waters of the sea, into the freedom of the Promised Land.

In the waters of Jordan, Jesus was baptized by John and anointed with your Spirit. By the baptism of his own death and resurrection, Christ set us free from sin and death, and opened the way to eternal life.

We thank you, O God, for the water of baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. From it we are raised to share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Pour out your Spirit upon us and upon this water, that this font may be your place of new birth for this child, **Rhett**. Bind him to the household of faith, so he may grow in love and service to you.

Baptism:

Rhett William Roehrbein, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *(Oil)* Child of the covenant, you have been sealed by the Spirit and marked as Christ’s own forever.

O Lord, uphold this child by your Love. Give him wisdom and understanding and joy in your presence, now and forever. Amen.

Meet the newest Christian! **Rhett** is now received into the holy catholic Church and is a member of the household of God. I charge you to welcome him; to nurture and love him; to teach him; and to be an example of God’s love – for him and for the world.