

Dear Parent(s) of \_\_\_\_\_,

You've been Splashed! Your congregation will be sending you Splash! resources to support your central role in the faith formation of your infant. At baptism, you commit to raising your child in the Christian faith. These Parent Pages and the Totally Toddler Tunes music CD are filled with practical and enjoyable ways to help you fulfill your baptismal promise.

Along with this letter you'll find the first issue of Parent Pages and a Totally Toddler Tunes music CD. Parent Pages are filled with ideas to support your role as the most important people in your toddlers's faith formation. Each issue has the same clear format that will help you know what to expect in the midst of your busy life of caring for your toddler.

Each month, the article on page 1 will stimulate your thinking by connecting faith to findings from diverse areas such as medicine, finance, theology, and psychology. "One Parent's Perspective" offers brief stories, insights, and wit from other parents, both new and veteran.

On pages 2 and 3, symbols help identify different types of activities.



Pass along the stories of the faith through this Bible story retelling. Look for the Bible story text in the circle. You'll find references to the month's Bible story in other activities, too.



Family devotions encourage fun time together to help build communication and faith among family members. Plan time for a family devotion based on each month's Bible story.



Use these suggestions to establish prayer times and practices in your family.



Try some of the worship ideas each month to reinforce your child's sense of belonging to a community that worships and enjoys fellowship together.



Get moving to these lively songs about Bible stories on the Totally Toddler Tunes music CD. Enjoy this monthly feature about the musicians who write and perform the songs on the CD.



The mealtime ideas describe ways to involve your toddler during breakfast, lunch, dinner, and snack times.



Play is a child's work. Help your child "get to work" with the ideas in this section each month.

Also, the "Family Kin-nections" feature each month connects your child with grandparents and siblings. Enjoy a different "Onesies" cartoon each month. Clip along the dotted line to post on the fridge or pass along to a friend.

Page 4 offers a few additional features. Try some of the "First Words" in your family. They are conveniently located on the back of the "Onesies" cartoon. Each month, an Augsburg Fortress book is recommended. Most are books for reading time with your child. A few titles offer ways to explore your own faith and values.

Your child has been splashed in the love of Holy Baptism and welcomed into God's family. May God bless your family of faith!