

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 young child. At baptism, you commit to raising your child in the Christian faith. These Parent Pages and the *Singable Sunday 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 *Singable Sunday Tunes* music CD. Parent Pages are filled with ideas to support your role as the most important people in your child'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 child.

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.



Use ideas from this feature to share Bible stories in many wonderful ways. 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 the month's Bible story.



Use these suggestions to encourage your child to pray.



Helping your child understand and participate in worship is not always easy. This feature encourages kids to make connections to worship events and people.



Enjoy music time together as you listen to songs from the *Singable Sunday Tunes* music CD.



Explore how family meals can be a time for sharing faith, fun, and food together.



Enjoy play time with your child using these fun and whimsical ideas.

The "Family Kin-nection" each month connects your child with grandparents, older siblings, and new babies in the family. Enjoy a different "Bearable Twos" 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 "Words around the World" in your family. They are conveniently located on the back of the "Bearable Twos" 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!