

QUINCEAÑERA AT ZION

WHAT IS A QUINCEAÑERA?

Turning fifteen is an important milestone! In the Lutheran church, a Quinceañera celebration provides a young woman with the opportunity to affirm her baptism and confess her faith. It also creates a special time to thank God for the blessings a young woman has received in her life and to ask for God's help in her future.



The Quinceañera is a traditional celebration of life and gratitude to God on the occasion of the fifteenth birthday of a young Hispanic woman. The ritual emphasizes her passage from childhood to adulthood. The family usually requests a Mass or a blessing to be held in the Church. The rite is frequently celebrated in several countries in the Americas, including Mexico, Central and South America and the Caribbean. It is frequently requested by Hispanic Catholics in the dioceses of the United States of America.

WILL ZION PERFORM A QUINCEAÑERA SERVICE?

We are happy to arrange for a Quinceañera service. This service is available after the young woman, her parents or guardians, and padrinos have discussed the Quinceañera with Pastor. There is no cost for this conversation and it is coordinated on an individual basis.

WHAT WILL I LEARN IN THE QUINCEAÑERA INFORMATION CLASS?

We want to provide an overview of the Christian faith and practical considerations for living as a young Christian adult. It has three lessons. The first lesson centers on the certainty of eternal life. The second lesson focuses on God's Word. The third lesson examines God's expectations of young Christian adults.

WHAT IS YOUR QUINCEAÑERA SERVICE LIKE?

Our Quinceañera service follows a traditional format. It includes a confession and absolution of our sins, prayers, scripture lessons, a homily, an affirmation of baptism, a blessing given by the parents and godparents, and songs. We can perform the service in English, Spanish, or a combination of both languages.

WHAT HAPPENS AFTER TURNING FIFTEEN YEARS OLD?

As a young woman enters adulthood, she should do so with the goal to remain in the Christian faith. God promises that time spent gathered around his Word and Sacraments cause our faith to grow. Therefore, we encourage and expect all Quinceañera participants to continue their involvement in the church.

Sunday Worship - (9:15am (in person and Facebook Live)

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Rite for *Quinceañera* (name)

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, whose steadfast love is everlasting, whose faithfulness endures from generation to generation. Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin. *Silence for reflection.*
Reconciling God,

we confess that we do not trust your abundance, and we deny your presence in our lives. We place our hope in ourselves and rely on our own efforts. We fail to believe that you provide enough for all. We abuse your good creation for our own benefit. We fear difference and do not welcome others as you have welcomed us. We sin in thought, word, and deed. By your grace, forgive us; through your love, renew us; and in your Spirit, lead us; so that we may live and serve you in newness of life. Amen.

Beloved of God, by the radical abundance of divine mercy we have peace with God through Christ Jesus, through whom we have obtained grace upon grace. Our sins are forgiven. Let us live now in hope. For hope does not disappoint, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

SONG "Ave Maria"

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray : O Lord God, look with favor upon your servant, (Name), who has come to renew the baptismal promise. Guide her by your grace so that she may continue to grow as your disciple. Guide and keep the hearts and minds of her family as they seek to be faithful in their own baptismal promises that we may encourage (Name) to grow in the faith and love of your word, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen

SCRIPTURE Ruth 1: 6-18

GOSPEL Luke 1:39-55

HOMILY Pastor

SONG "You Have Come Down to the Lakeshore"

RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS

In Holy Baptism, _____, our Lord Jesus Christ received you and made you a daughter of the church. In the community of God's people, you have learned from God's word the loving purpose for you and all of creation. You have been nourished at the holy table and called to be a witness of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Now, therefore, I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

Name: I renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

Name: I renounce them.

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

Name: I renounce them.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.*

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

ORACION

Eternal God, for who a thousand years are as a day, we present to you this day, (Name), who on the occasion of her fifteenth birthday has come to your house to receive your blessing.

Behold your own daughter, gracious Lord, granting her wisdom in all things. May your Spirit guide her: in work and at worship, in studies and at play, in friendship and family life. Grant her a spirit of love, that she may share with those around her. Give her your forgiveness, enabling her to forgive as she has been forgiven. By your gracious will, rant her steadfast faith and hope, thought Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

C: AMEN

BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

AMEN

BLESSING THE GIFTS

Gracious God, bless these gifts today, that they bless (Name) in her journey and that, in your name, that they may be a source of joy for in her journey with you and the whole church, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

AMEN

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

When Jesus gathered with his friends the last time, he took bread, and gave thanks; broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever.

AMEN

HOLY COMMUNION CELEBRATION

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

SONG

SENDING

Quinceanea Journey Includes...

1. Write a list of 50 things you are grateful for in your life...
 2. Memorize the 3 things that make up a sacrament...
 3. Read and discuss page 7 Bible passages...
 4. Fill out this form and send to Pastor in preparation for receiving First Communion...
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| Full name of child | | |
| Date of Birth | | |
| Place/Town of Birth | | |
| Baptized? | Yes or No (circle) | |
| Date of Baptism | | |
| Place of Baptism (Church & Town) | | |
| Grade in School (Name of School) | | |
| Parents Name | | |
| Parents Name | | |
| Guardian Name | | |
| Marital Status | Married | Divorced Widow |
| Parents Members | Mom? | Dad? |
| Address/City | | |
| Phone # | | |
| E-mail | | |
| Date to receive Celebrate | | |
| Participate in Service by: | WHAT TO DO THAT DAY? | WHO? |
| | Bring Baptism Candle | |
| | Read Lessons | |
| | Banner | |
| | Bring Bread | |
| | Music to share | |
| | Acolyte/Light Candles | |