

Joining the Village Lutheran Church

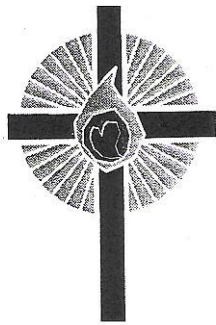
The Village Lutheran Church (VLC) is a diverse group of families and individuals that worship and serve God together. The VLC is a member congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. As a part of the LC-MS, the VLC is generally considered an open and accepting congregation. We work together with other Lutherans and Christians as we live peacefully as a part of the human family.

Individuals and families who wish to become members should:

1. Attend worship.
2. At worship, fill out the "Welcome Card" checking off the "Prospect for Membership square."
3. Prospective members may also call Pastor Hartwell (1022) or Pastor Taylor (1021) directly at (914) 337-0207 or e-mail them at Pastorh@VLC-NY.ORG or AD_DT@Concordia-ny.edu.
4. In general, people who were confirmed in the Lutheran Church may join via transfer (by contacting the church where membership was last held and asking that a "letter of transfer" be sent to The Pastoral Care Team at Village Lutheran Church, 172 White Plains Rd, Bronxville, NY 10708.)
5. Other Christian may transfer as well but generally are encouraged to take a new member class to fully understand the VLC and the unique understandings of the Lutheran Church.
6. Persons, adults or children, who have not as of yet enjoyed the spiritual gift of Holy Baptism should speak to Pastor Hartwell or Taylor to set up a Baptism at the earliest opportunity. Baptism is the gift of God and should be received by all. Baptisms or christenings done in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit at any Christian denomination are accepted as a "Christian" baptism. Baptism is not done in the name of a denomination but Christ.
7. Once a person is ready to join the VLC, Pastor and the individual or family joining arrange a day to officially join. On that day the individual or family simply stand and are welcomed during the announcement time and are invited to stand with the Pastor(s) and greet the worshippers as they leave worship. This welcoming may be done at the service of the new member(s) choosing. The 9 am service is ideal to meet the most new people.

WELCOME TO THE VLC! WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE!

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Request for Transfer

After much prayer, I (we) have been led to Join Village Lutheran Church. I would like to have my membership (my family's membership) transferred from:

Name of Church: _____

City: _____

The individual(s) desiring transfer of membership are (please list all baptized and confirmed family members):

Signature: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Date of Request: _____

+ Please return form to Pastor Taylor or Pastor Hartwell