

	<p><b>Confirmation</b>  Converts who are age nine or older and those who are eight whose parents are both nonmembers are confirmed in a sacrament meeting (see D&amp;C 20:41). Eight-year-old children may be confirmed immediately after the baptism at the baptism location if at least one parent is a member of the Church and both parents give permission for the baptism and confirmation. Under the direction of the bishop or branch president, one or more men who hold the Melchizedek Priesthood may perform this ordinance. They place their hands lightly on the person's head. The one who performs the ordinance:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. States the person's full name.</li> <li>2. States that the ordinance is performed by the authority of the Melchizedek Priesthood.</li> <li>3. Confirms the person a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.</li> <li>4. Bestows the gift of the Holy Ghost by saying, "Receive the Holy Ghost."</li> <li>5. Gives a priesthood blessing as the Spirit directs.</li> <li>6. <b>Closes in the name of Jesus Christ.</b></li> </ol>
	<p><b>Sacrament</b>  The prayer on the bread follows:  "O God, the Eternal Father, we ask thee in the name of thy Son, Jesus Christ, to bless and sanctify this bread to the souls of all those who partake of it, that they may eat in remembrance of the body of thy Son, and witness unto thee, O God, the Eternal Father, that they are willing to take upon them the name of thy Son, and always remember him and keep his commandments which he has given them; that they may always have his Spirit to be with them. Amen" (D&amp;C 20:77 and Moroni 4).</p> <p>The prayer on the water follows:  "O God, the Eternal Father, we ask thee in the name of thy Son, Jesus Christ, to bless and sanctify this [water] to the souls of all those who drink of it, that they may do it in remembrance of the blood of thy Son, which was shed for them; that they may witness unto thee, O God, the Eternal Father, that they do always remember him, that they may have his Spirit to be with them. Amen" (D&amp;C 20:79 and Moroni 5).</p> <p>The sacrament should be cleared from the table as soon as possible after the meeting. Any bread that remains may be used for food.</p> <p><b>Blessing and passing the sacrament requires authorization from the presiding authority.</b></p>
	<p><b>Administering to the Sick</b>  Only men who hold the Melchizedek Priesthood may administer to the sick or afflicted. Normally, two or more administer together, but one may do it alone. If consecrated oil is not available, a man who holds the Melchizedek Priesthood may give a blessing by the authority of the priesthood.  A father who holds the Melchizedek Priesthood should administer to sick members of his family. He may ask another man who holds the Melchizedek Priesthood to assist him.  Administering to the sick has two parts: (1) anointing with oil and (2) sealing the anointing.</p>
	<p><b>Sealing the Anointing</b>  Normally, two or more men who hold the Melchizedek Priesthood place their hands lightly on the head of the person who is sick. One of the men seals the anointing. To do so, he:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Calls the person by his or her full name.</li> <li>2. States that he is sealing the anointing by the authority of the Melchizedek Priesthood.</li> <li>3. Gives a blessing as the Spirit directs.</li> </ol> <p><b>Closes in the name of Jesus Christ.</b></p>
	<p><b>Dedicating Graves</b>  A person who dedicates a grave must hold the Melchizedek Priesthood and must be authorized by the priesthood officer who conducts the service. To dedicate a grave, he:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Addresses Heavenly Father.</li> <li>2. States that he is dedicating the grave by the authority of the Melchizedek Priesthood.</li> <li>3. Dedicates and consecrates the burial plot as the resting place for the body of the deceased.</li> <li>4. Where appropriate, prays that the place will be hallowed and protected until the Resurrection.</li> <li>5. Asks the Lord to comfort the family and expresses other thoughts as the Spirit directs.</li> <li>6. Closes in the name of Jesus Christ.</li> </ol> <p><b>If the family prefers, a person (preferably a man who holds the Melchizedek Priesthood) may offer a graveside prayer rather than a dedicatory prayer.</b></p>