



**living hope** Evangelical Lutheran Church  
Our Precious Lambs Childcare & Preschool

livinghopeomaha.com  
worship sun 10 am

christ for us +

Church Calendar **EPIPHANY**

**10 Jan 2021**

TO OUR  
GUESTS

*Living Hope exists to make disciples for Jesus, so we baptize in his name, and we teach what he taught us. Our privilege is to offer you fellowship with Jesus.*

Small children are restless? Dad or Mom, feel free to walk through the rest of our building. You will find our worship on TV.

OUR  
OFFER

Become a member of Living Hope - - make an appointment for *Faith Builders* class. Involve a friend.

OUR  
STAFF

*Ministers: every member a minister*  
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TODAY'S  
FOCUS

**Baptism of Jesus: "Heaven Torn Open"**

The Baptizer is reluctant to offer help to Jesus through his *baptism of repentance*. Jesus, however, both expects and demands the Sacrament. ("Sacrament" = "God at work.")

All who meet in this water participate in a sharing under an open heaven. Jesus is baptized into our sins so that our baptism might be into his death and resurrection.

*Those who hope in Me will not be disappointed (Isaiah 49:23).*



**WHAT TO  
EXPECT THIS  
MORNING**



**Path of Worship** today is *Service of the Word*, found in your red book, *Christian Worship*, on p 38.

**Music** Opening Praise ..... 79 v 1-3  
Psalm ..... 2 (red p 65)  
Hymn of the Day ..... 83  
Farewell Hymn ..... 79 v 4-5

**Prayer** before worship ..... p 10-11  
specific needs ..... p 134-139  
Mission of the Church ..... red p 129

**Video** connects the offering we bring to people we serve

**Lesson** [Mark 1:1-13](#) (Bible 1260)

John thinks, “Jesus, I’m sent to baptize the sinner. But I have nothing for you.”

Jesus thinks, “John, I meet sinners here in this water. Wash!”  
And high above, heaven is torn open.

**Lesson** [Acts 16:25-34](#) (Bible 1418)

THE WORD IS A DISTRIBUTING INSTRUMENT OF GOD’S GRACE

Epiphany light breaks through in the worst of times. Two beaten believers sing some psalms in the dark. The splash of the water takes place after midnight, but the next day both children and parents would walk outside in the light. What is the light? God’s love in the Lord Jesus. A new community has been created.

## God's People Pray

*Living Hope is made up of individuals, couples and families.  
Every few months we'll suggest a week to pray for each other  
... and be prayed for  
... by name.*

Please pray this week for ...



*If my people would but listen to me  
if they would follow my ways  
how quickly would I subdue their enemies  
and turn my hand against their foes! Psalm 81*

Add your prayer ...

3 families with infants needing God's gift of Baptism  
St. John Lutheran Church, Stanton, Nebraska  
the transfer of power between US Presidents

*put this list in a place you will see it this week*