



HOPE FOR A NEW YEAR



Traditional Service 11:00

January 11, 2026

Baptism of Our Lord

“This is my Son, the Beloved.”

Hope Lutheran Church
January 11 — 11:00 am
Baptism of Our Lord



WELCOME

Pastor Kristin

CALL TO WORSHIP

Trust and Obey

Gail Mowry & Ron Prebe

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Pastor: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: **Amen.**

Pastor: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism. We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.

All: **Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom.**

Pastor: At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit.

All: **By water and your Word you claim us as your children, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.**

Pastor: We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ.

All: **Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.**

Pastor: To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

All: **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

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GREETING

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: **And also with you.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

1 Let us ever walk with Je - sus, fol - low his ex - am - ple pure,
through a world that would de - ceive us and to sin our spir - its lure.
On - ward in his foot-steps tread-ing, trav - 'lers here, our home a - bove,
full of faith and hope and love, let us do our Sav - ior's bid-ding.
Faith-ful Lord, with me a - bide; I shall fol - low where you guide.

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Music: LASSET UNS MIT JESU ZIEHEN, Georg G. Boltze, 18th cent.

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Pastor: O God our Father, at the baptism of Jesus you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized into Christ faithful to their calling to be your daughters and sons, and empower us all with your Spirit, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

All: **Amen.**



OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 42:1-9

¹ Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. ² He will not cry out or lift up his voice or make it heard in the street; ³ a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. ⁴ He will not

grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth, and the coastlands wait for his teaching.⁵ Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it:⁶ I am the Lord; I have called you in righteousness; I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations,⁷ to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness.⁸ I am the Lord; that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols.⁹ See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

Reader: The word of the Lord

All: **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
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Pastor: The holy Gospel according to Matthew.

All: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 3:13-17

¹³ Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him.¹⁴ John would have prevented him, saying, “I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?”¹⁵ But Jesus answered him, “Let it be so now, for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness.” Then he consented.¹⁶ And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw God’s Spirit descending like a dove and alighting on him.¹⁷ And a voice from the heavens said, “This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.”

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

THE APOSTLE'S CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

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. Amen.

PRAYERS OF OUR COMMUNITY

Each petition ends with Merciful God, and people respond **Receive our prayer.**

SHARING OF THE PEACE

Pastor: The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: And also with you.

Please be seated as the tithes & offerings to support our ministries are received.

CHOIR ANTHEM

When John Baptized by Jordan's River

Adult Choir

OFFERTORY RESPONSE



When John Baptized by Jordan's River

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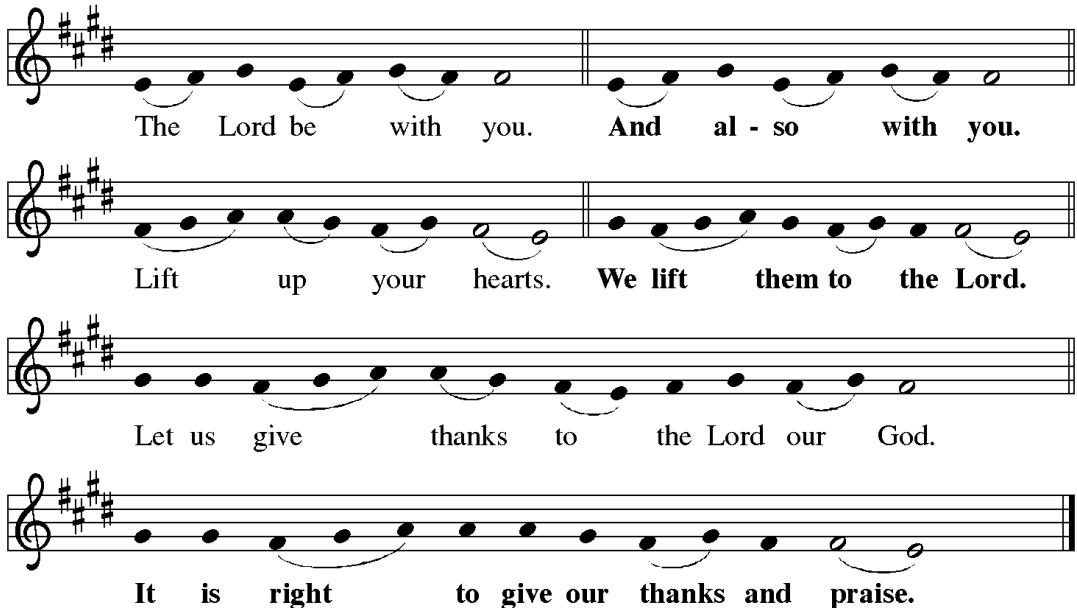
Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right
spir-it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take
not your Ho-ly Spir-it from me. Re-store to me the joy of
your sal - va - tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir - it.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Pastor: God of majesty, no eye has seen, no ear has heard what you have prepared for those who love you, yet in this meal you reveal the wideness of your mercy. Use what we have gathered to feed us with the reign of God come near, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

All: Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



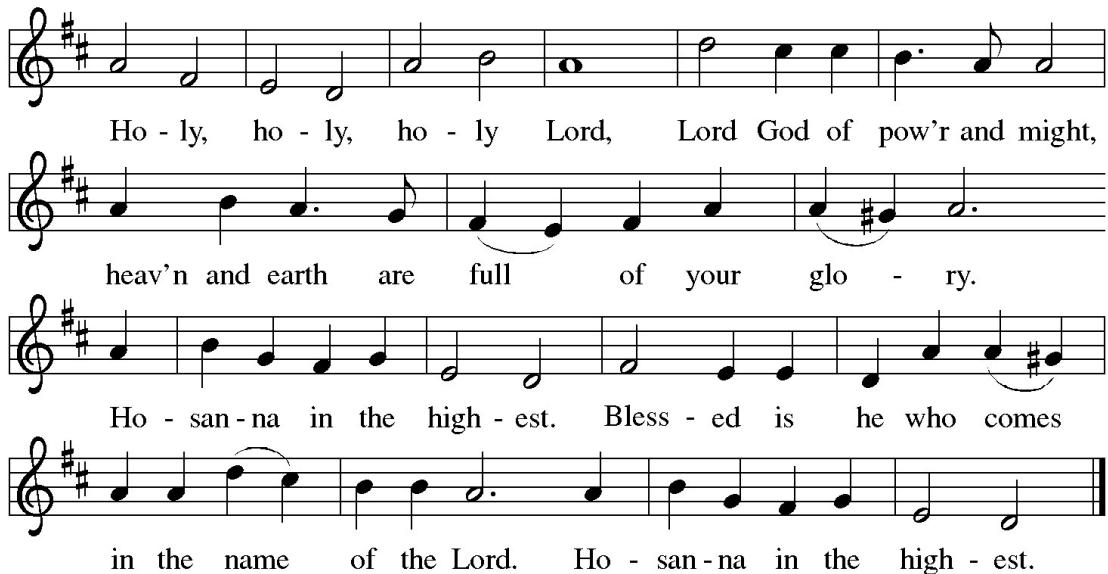
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is our duty and delight... and join in their unending hymn.



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,

heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.

Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE 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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

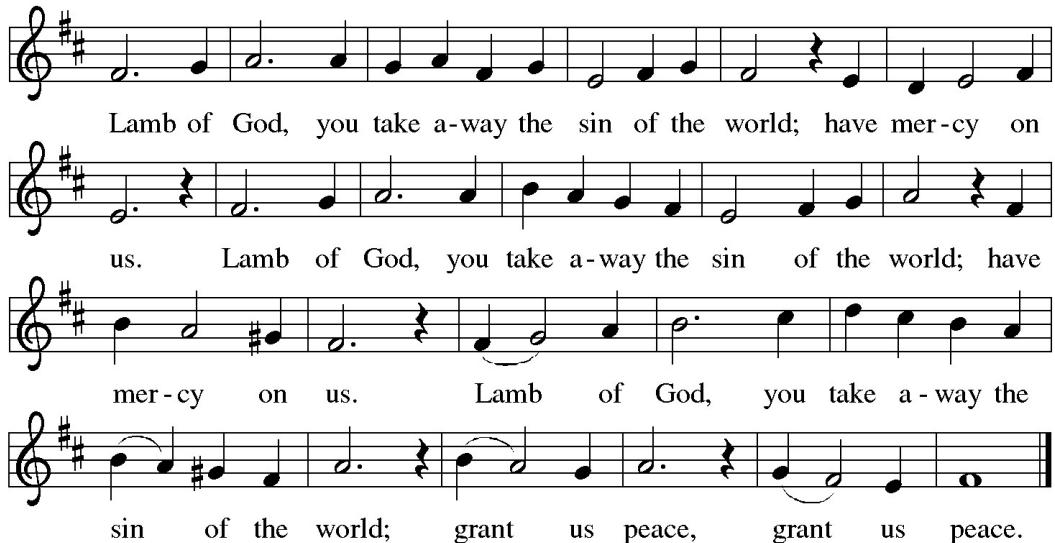
Pastor: Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! Come to the table; taste and see.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

Communion will be received around the altar. Follow the directions of the welcome team to kneel or stand around the rail. The pastor will place the wafer in your open hand. Wrapped gluten free wafers are available upon request. The communion assistant will follow with individual cups of wine and grape juice. You can then return to your seat by the side aisles.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

Lamb of God



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMN

Spirit of Gentleness

#396

For the Bread Which You have Broken

#494

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

All: Amen.



POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Pastor: Radiant God, we have seen your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. In the sacrament of his body and blood you have drawn us to your heart. Send us from this table with delight, that our lives may reflect the beauty of your love, and bear witness to all we have seen and heard, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

All: Amen.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: May the triune God, who has put a new song in your mouth and tuned your heart for praise bless you now and forever.

All: Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Guide Me Ever Great Redeemer

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Leader: As you go into the world, remember our mission!

All: Live out Servant Love,
Show Hospitality,
Extend Generosity,
Worship the Risen Lord.

Leader: Go in peace, a living example of the love of Jesus Christ

All: Thanks be to God!

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