

Honoring the Promise

Your child's Baptism deserves your careful, intentional, and honest consideration on how you will fulfill your promises. It also gives you an opportunity to reconsider your own Christian life. Use these questions below as a guide:

- **Prayer** is a way to talk to God, and to share joys and sorrows with each other. When will you pray together?
- **Devotional Times** are a way to share and grow in your faith together. Reading Bible stories and daily devotions will help your child and your relationship. When will you have devotions together?
- **Worship Participation** with your child is one of the promises you make at Baptism. How often will you worship together?
- **Christian Education** is essential for both your child and you. You are encouraged to learn about your faith so you can be a better teacher for your child. How will you and your child participate in Christian education?
- **Service Toward Others** is one way to grow into our Baptism and live out our faith. What are some ways you can help others?
- **Celebrating Baptism Anniversaries** will be a great help to your child to realize and appreciate their Baptism. What are some special things you will do to remember your child's Baptism?

Sponsors

Sponsors, or godparents, aid parents in the promises they make to God and their child in Baptism. Sponsors, therefore, need to be people who view Baptism as a sacramental gift from God, who will regularly pray for your child, remember him/her on their Baptismal anniversary, and provide a Christian witness in the way they live. This usually means that a sponsor needs to be an active member of a Christian church. In addition to the sponsors you choose, your brothers and sisters of Lutheran Church of Hope will also be your child's sponsors and promise to do all these things for your child.

Baptisms at Lutheran Church of Hope

We are happy and excited that you want to baptize your child at Lutheran Church of Hope. Please contact the church office (303-466-4823 or office@lchope.org) to confirm a date. Baptisms are held during the 9am Sunday liturgy. The office will provide a form for you to fill out, including sponsor names and an approximate number of family and friends who will attend the service.

Pastor Scott and the Minister of Faith Formation will provide baptismal instruction ahead of time. Because Baptism is a worship experience, discrete videotaping and photography are acceptable, both during and after the service. Contact Pastor Scott (pscott@lchope.org) with any questions.

Splashed with the Promise...

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism



“Child of God,
you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit
and marked with the Cross of Christ forever.”



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God's Promises

- You are a child of God (Matthew 28:19)
- You are washed clean of sin (Acts 22:16)
- You receive the Holy Spirit (Titus 3:5)
- You are a member of the body of Christ, the Church (Romans 6:5)
- You are granted eternal life (Mark 16:16)

In Baptism, God promises your child will be born again in a whole new life. The baptismal water is a physical sign of the covenant between your child and God.

Through Baptism, for the rest of life, your child can be sure of God's faithful and unconditional love.



Your Promises

- Help your child grow in faith through devotion and prayer
- Help your child grow in the community of faith, the Church
- Show your child God's steadfast love and mercy

In Baptism, you promise to read the Bible with your child, worship regularly, and teach him/her about the Christian faith at home and at church. Research has shown that a child's biggest faith mentors are their parents.

Your Baptismal promises are more valuable than anything the world can give.



The Church's Promises

- To make your child an important member of the Christian community
- To support you in making God's promises known to your child
- To support you in keeping the promises you make to your child at Baptism

At Baptism, we, the members of Lutheran Church of Hope, give our word that we will help you and your child in the lifelong journey of faith formation. Growing in faith is a partnership of both home and congregation.

Milestone Ministry events include First Bibles, Faith Communion workshops, Confirmation, High School Graduation, and beyond.

You and your child's regular attendance at worship opportunities is an important way to be fed with God's Word and grow in care and concern for each other and the world.

