

# God's Word for Today

**Bible Point:** Jesus' Light Changes Us

**Key Verse:** "Look, darkness covers the earth, and deep darkness covers the peoples, but the LORD will dawn upon you, and His glory will be seen over you.." (Isaiah 60:2)

Old Testament: Isaiah 25:6-9 (*A Banquet for All*)

**Faith-Letter:** 2 Corinthians 3:12-18 (*The Unveiled Gospel*)

Good News: Matthew 17:1-8 (*Jesus' Appearance Changes*)

## Notes during the Service

What is a trouble in the world the sermon mentioned?

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What did Pastor specifically say about Jesus?

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What comfort or encouragement did you receive in this sermon?

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What change needs to happen in your life based on God's Word today?

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# Living Branch Lutheran Church

The First Sunday after Epiphany

January 24, 2021



**Living Branch Lutheran Church**

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*To Know Christ and to Make Him Known*

## **WELCOME to Living Branch Lutheran Church!**

Whether you are a longtime member or a first-time visitor, we pray the service blesses you today.

At Living Branch, **worship** is heaven on earth, where God comes to be with us and give us a taste of heaven, and we respond in faith with prayers and praises. We follow classic Christian patterns for worship, using a variety of Biblical songs, prayers, and dialogues to retell the Story of Life with Jesus.

## **Have little ones?**

**Here are some ideas:**

**Relax:** We are more than accepting of the many wiggles and noises that accompany children.

**Sit near the front:** That way, they can see what's going on.

**Participate:** Sing, pray, and go with the flow, and they will follow your lead.

**Explain:** Curiosity is a good thing! Explain what's happening in the service.

**Wander:** Use the sides to wander to the back if needed.

**Be reverent:** If church is important to you, it will be to them, too.

## **Have a prayer request?**

Feel free share your prayer requests in the service, following the sermon. Pastor will ask if there are any prayer requests.

For confidential prayer requests, please call or text Pastor at (832) 813-2613.

**Living Branch Lutheran Church** is a congregation of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod. Our mission is **to know Christ and to make Him known**, based on the words of our Lord in Matthew 28:18-20. For more about communities like ours, visit [www.LCMS.org](http://www.LCMS.org).



*I am the vine,  
you are the branches.  
John 15:5*

## **Activities & Announcements**

### ***This Week***

Sun. Jan 24

Sunday School ..... 8:00 am  
Divine Service..... 9:00 am

Wed. Jan 27

Confirmation ..... 5:30 pm

### ***Upcoming...***

Sun. Jan 31

Adult Bible Study & Sunday School..... 8:00 am  
Divine Service..... 9:00 am

Fri. Feb 5

**Women's Group MOVIE NIGHT! ..... 6:30pm**  
**More details to come**

### **February 2021 Time & Talents Schedule is Out!**

I mailed a copy to all on the schedule and will also email & put it on our website [www.livingbranch.org](http://www.livingbranch.org).

If you have questions, concerns or would like to see a change, let Stacey know.  
Email [office@livingbranch.org](mailto:office@livingbranch.org)

### ***Options For Women***

*Options for women has a goal of purchasing an ultrasound machine in 2021. Please join the leadership team in prayerfully considering how Living Branch can partner with them to help make this goal a reality.*

*Detailed information is included in the letter & proposal bulletin insert.*

*Have other news or announcements you'd like communicated?*

*Email Stacey: [office@livingbranch.org](mailto:office@livingbranch.org)*

### **TODAY January 24th**

Opening: John & Judy Pohl  
Usher/Greeter: Jeannie Fox  
Offering Counters: Bill Gravem & Mary Nelson  
Cleaning: The Pohl's

### **Sunday, January 31st**

Opening: Loren Yerks  
Usher/Greeter: Bill Gravem  
Offering Counters: Dawn Schlipp & Donna Rotherth  
Cleaning: The Hudella's