



We are so grateful you have joined us today as we come together to worship God.

Although we aren't together physically, we are still the church together.

Our worship has been pre-recorded and can be viewed on our website at http://newhopeagoura.com/
or you can view it on our Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/NewHopeLutheran/

Introduction to Worship

The welcome of baptism is for all God's children. This baptismal gift sets us free from the power of sin and death. In today's gospel, Christ promises that the disciple who gives a cup of water to the little ones serves Christ himself. From worship we are sent on our baptismal mission: to serve the little ones of this world and to be a sign of God's merciful welcome.

Prelude

Opening Song ELW Hymnal #532

"Gather Us In"

Welcome and Prayer of the Day

Children's Message Pastor Scott Fielder

Reading: Romans 6:12-23 Jax Rains-Turk

Sin is an enslaving power that motivates us to live self-serving, disobedient lives. Sin's final payoff is death. We, however, have been set free from sin's slavery to live obediently under God's grace, whose end is the free gift of eternal life.

Gospel Acclamation (ELW p. 188)

Gospel Reading: Matthew 10:40-42

When Jesus sends his disciples out as missionaries, he warns them of persecution and hardships they will face. He also promises to reward any who aid his followers and support their ministry.

Sermon Pastor Craig Beeker

"A Piece in God's Puzzle"

Hymn of the Day

"What a Beautiful City"

Godspeed

Jeff Turk, Jax, Grace and Celeste Rains-Turk

The Prayers of God's People

Lord's Prayer

Benediction and Dismissal

Closing Hymn

"Irish Blessing"

Postlude

Participants in Today's Worship

Rev. Craig R. Beeker Deacon Lynn Bulock Rev. Scott Fielder

Aleta Braxton, Choir Director David Cohen, Pianist

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