



## Welcome to New Hope Online Worship

Let us worship together, even while we are apart

Our pre-recorded service can be viewed on our website at <http://newhopeagoura.org>

Links have been provided for today's bible readings

### Introduction to Worship

Stir up your power, and come! The psalmist's plea in [Psalm 80:2](#) has become familiar to us in the Advent prayers. Isaiah wants God to rip the heavens open. Both cry out for an apparently distant, angry God to show up, to save, to restore. When we hear Jesus describing the coming of the Son of Man with stars falling from heaven, it can sound dire and horrible, not like anything we would ever hope for. But when we really look at the suffering of people God loves, we can share the hope that God would tear open the heavens and come.

Welcome Song and Announcements

Music by David Cohen

Welcome and Introduction

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Mansmann Family

Opening Song

"It is Well"

Bethel Music

Prayer of the Day

Children's Message

Pastor Scott Fielder

Reading: Isaiah 64:1-9 [click here for entire reading](#)

Avery Mansmann

This lament comes from a people who have had their hopes shattered. The visions of a rebuilt Jerusalem and renewed people of God, spoken of in Isaiah 40-55, have not been realized. Instead, the people experience ruin, conflict, and famine. This lament calls God to account—to be the God who has brought deliverance in the past.

Advent Gathering Song

Gospel Reading: Mark 13:24-37 [click here for entire reading](#)

In today's reading, Jesus encourages his followers to look forward to the day when he returns in power and glory to end all suffering.

Message

Pastor Craig Beeker

"Let There Be... Hope"

Hymn

ELW Hymnal #257

"Oh Come, Oh Come Emmanuel"

vs. 1-2, 4

Prayers of the People

Deacon Lynn Bulock

The Lord's Prayer

Conversations With God

Poetry by Sarah Are

Benediction and Dismissal

Song

by Matt Maher

"Hope for Everyone"

Postlude

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### Participants in Today's Worship

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

Pianist  
David Cohen

Vocalists  
Zechariah Beeker  
Aleta Braxton, Choir Director  
Deacon Lynn Bulock  
Terry Paulson

Audio/Visual Team  
Calvin Beeker  
Chris Chigaridas  
Terry Paulson