





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

In winter's deepest night, we welcome the light of the Christ child. Isaiah declares that the light of the long-promised king will illumine the world and bring endless peace and justice. Paul reminds us that the grace of God through Jesus Christ brings salvation to all people. The angels declare that Jesus' birth is good and joyful news for everyone, including lowly shepherds. Filled with the light that shines in our lives, we go forth to share the light of Christ with the whole world

Prelude and Announcements

Opening Hymn

"Joy to the World" ELW Hymnal #267

Welcome

Prayer of the Day

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Hymn ELW Hymnal #283

"O Come all Ye Faithful"

Children's Message Pastor Scott Fielder

Reading: Isaiah 9:2-7 click here for entire reading

Pastor Scott Fielder

This poem promises deliverance from Assyrian oppression, a hope based on the birth of a royal child with a name full of promise. While Judah's king will practice justice and righteousness, the real basis for faith lies in God's passion for the people: the zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this

Hymn ELW Hymnal #292

"Love Has Come"

Reading: Titus 2:11-14 click here for entire reading

Natalie Larkin

The appearance of God's grace in Jesus Christ brings salvation for all humanity. Consequently, in the present we live wisely and justly while also anticipating the hope of our Savior's final appearance.

Hymn ELW Hymnal #270

"Hark the Herald Angels Sing"

Gospel Reading: Luke 2:1-14 click here for entire reading

God's greatest gift comes as a baby in a manger. Angels announce the "good news of great joy" and proclaim God's blessing of peace.

Message Pastor Craig Beeker

"Let There Be Light"

Hymn LBW Hymnal #74

"A Stable is Lighted"

Prayers of the People Pastor Craig Beeker

The Lord's Prayer

Blessing and Sending

Hymn ELW Hymnal #281

"Silent Night"

Closing Pastor Craig Beeker

Song

"We Wish You a Merry Christmas"

Participants in Today's Worship

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