



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

The psalmist calls on the natural world, celestial bodies, fire and earth, creatures, and all humanity, to praise God. The voices of Simeon and 84-year-old Anna join the chorus today, recognizing what God is doing in Jesus. Simeon's song is often sung after communion, for we have seen God's salvation in the assembled community and have held Jesus in our hands in the bread. Then, like the prophet Anna, we speak of Jesus to all who look for the healing of the world.

Prelude and Announcements

Opening Song

ELW Hymnal #289

"Angels We Have Heard on High"

Welcome

Prayer of the Day

Children's Message

Pastor Scott Fielder

Reading: Psalm 148 [click here for entire reading](#)

Gail McGinnis

The splendor of the Lord is over earth and heaven.

Hymn

ELW Hymnal #290

"Go Tell It on the Mountain"

Gospel Reading: Luke 2:22-40 [click here for entire reading](#)

Luke's narrative continues with stories that emphasize Jesus' connection to Judaism. His family is devout in its observance of the law, and Jesus himself is recognized as one who will bring glory to Israel.

Message

Deacon Lynn Bullock

"Guided by the Spirit"

Hymn

ELW Hymnal #296

"What Child is This?"

The Lord's Prayer

Benediction and Dismissal

Closing Song

ELW Hymnal #279

"O Little Town of Bethlehem"

Postlude

Participants in Today's Worship

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

Pianist
David Cohen

Vocalists
Aleta Braxton, Choir Director
Kevin Dalbey
Terry Paulson

Audio/Visual Team
Calvin Beeker
Chris Chigaridas
Terry Paulson