

January 31, 2021

Fourth Sunday After Epiphany



## 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 <a href="http://newhopeagoura.org">http://newhopeagoura.org</a>
Links have been provided for today's bible readings

## Introduction to Worship

In <u>Deuteronomy</u> God promises to raise up a prophet like Moses, who will speak for God; in <u>Psalm 111</u> God shows the people the power of God's works. For the church theses are ways of pointing to the unique authority people sensed in Jesus' actions and words. We encounter that authority in God's word, around which we gather, the word that trumps any lesser spirit that would claim power over us, freeing us to follow Jesus.

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Introduction and Announcements

Opening Hymn

"Gather Your People" by Bill Hurd

Welcome

Prayer of the Day

Compassionate God, you gather the whole universe into your radiant presence and continually reveal your son as our Savior. Bring wholeness to all that is broken and speak truth to us in our confusion, that all creation will see and know your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Children's Message Pastor Scott Fielder

Reading: 1Corinthians 8:1-13 click here for entire reading

Gail Beeker

Paul is concerned about how some Corinthian Christians use their freedom in Christ as license to engage in non-Christian behavior that sets a damaging example to other, impressionable, believers. Christians have a responsibility to each other that their behavior does not cause a sister or brother to sin.

Gospel Acclamation (ELW p. 188)

Gospel Reading: Mark 1:21-28 click here for entire reading

Forces that would bring death and disease have taken hold of a man, yet they recognize Jesus and know what his power means for them. Jesus commands these forces to leave and people are amazed at this authority.

Message Pastor Craig Beeker

"Dirty Glory"

Sermon Hymn ELW Hymnal #815

"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Benediction and Dismissal

Closing Song ELW Hymnal #871

"Shine, Jesus, Shine

Postlude

Participants in Today's Worship

Rev. Craig R. Beeker Rev. Scott Fielder Deacon Lynn Bulock Video Editor Terry Paulson Vocalist Aleta Braxton Pianist David Cohen