

February 21, 2021 First Sunday in Lent



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

On Ash Wednesday the church began its journey toward baptismal immersion in the death and resurrection of Christ. This year, the Sundays in Lent lead us to focus on five covenants God makes in the Hebrew Scriptures and to use them as lenses thorough which to view baptism. First Peter connects the way God saved Noah's family in the flood with the way God saves us through the water of Baptism. The baptismal covenant is made with us individually, but the new life we are given in baptism is for the sake of the whole world.

Introduction and Announcements

Opening Hymn

Medley of "Restore in Us & Lord Throughout these 40 Days"

ELW Hymnal #328 and #319

Welcome

Prayer of the Day

Holy God, heavenly Father, in the waters of the flood you saved the chosen, and in the wilderness of temptation you protected your Son from sin. Renew us in the gift of baptism. May your holy angels be with us, that the wicked foe may have no power over us, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Children's Message Pastor Scott Fielder

Reading: 1 Peter 3:18-22 click link for reading

Mary Gallagher

As God acted through Christ's suffering and death to bring us to God, so God acts through baptism to save us from a sinful existence. This spiritual cleansing marks our new life in Christ.

Gospel Acclamation (ELW p. 171b)

Gospel Reading: Mark 1:9-15 click link for reading

The Spirit that comes upon Jesus at his baptism sustains him when he is tested by Satan so that he might proclaim the good news of God's reign.

Sermon Message

"Remote — God in Wild Places"

Rev. Craig R. Beeker

Hymn

"Come Unto Me"

by Bob Hurd

Prayers of the People

Hear us O God. Your mercy is great.

The Lord's Prayer

Benediction and Dismissal

Closing Song

"Led by the Spirit"

by Bob Hurd

Participants in Today's Worship

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