



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 second covenant in this year's Lenten readings is the one made with Abraham and Sarah, first introduced in [Genesis 17](#). God's promise to make them the ancestors of many, with whom God will remain in everlasting covenant. Paul says this promise comes to all who share Abraham's faith in the God who brings life into being where there was not life. We receive this baptismal promise of resurrection life in faith. Sarah and Abraham receive new names as a sign of the covenant, and we too get new identities in baptism, as we put on Christ.

Introduction and Announcements

Opening Hymn

"In Every Age"

by Janet Sullivan Whitaker

Welcome

Prayer of the Day

O God, by the passion of your blessed Son you made an instrument of shameful death to be for us the means of life. Grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ that we may gladly suffer shame and loss for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy spirit, on God, now and Forever.

Children's Message

Pastor Scott Fielder

Reading: [Romans 4:13-25](#) *click link for reading*

Paul presents Abraham as the example for how a person comes into a right relationship with God not through works of the law but through faith. Though Abraham and Sarah were too old for bearing children, Abraham trusted that God would accomplish what God had promised to accomplish

Gospel Acclamation

(ELW p. 171b)

Gospel Reading: [Mark 8:31-38](#) *click link for reading*

After Peter confesses his belief that Jesus is the Messiah, Jesus tells his disciples for the first time what is to come. Peter's response indicates that he does not yet understand the way of the cross that Jesus will travel.

Sermon Message

Rev. Craig R. Beeker

"Set Your Mind on Heavenly Things"

Hymn

ELW Hymnal #606

"Our Father, We Have Wandered"

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Memorial Announcement and Prayers

Jacqueline "Jax" Rains-Turk

Prayers of the People

Hear us O God. Your mercy is great.

The Lord's Prayer

Benediction and Dismissal

Closing Song

ELW Hymnal #838

"Beautiful Savior"

Participants in Today's Worship

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