



Welcome to New Hope

Watch our worship service LIVE from our website each Sunday at 10 a.m.

<https://www.newhopeagoura.org>

The recorded service will be available anytime following the live-stream.

In today's gospel many people take offense at Jesus' invitation to eat his flesh and drink his blood; even many of Jesus' disciples peel off. This is the backdrop in John's gospel for Peter's confession of faith. "To whom can we go?" asks Peter, in words we sometimes sing just before the gospel is read. "You have the words of eternal life." In order to take such a stand, as Peter and Joshua did, ([Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18](#)) Paul tells us to arm ourselves with the word of God. We pray in the spirit that we might be bold ambassadors of the gospel.

Welcome and Introduction

Opening Song

"Blessed Assurance"

ELW Hymnal #638

Kyrie

(ELW p. 203)

Hymn of Praise

(ELW p. 204)

"Glory be to God"

Prayer of the Day

Pastor Craig Beeker

Children's Message

Deacon Lynn Bulock

Reading: Ephesians 6:10-20 [click link for reading](#)

Darlene Daigle

Like a general giving a rousing speech to troops before battle, this letter closes by calling on Christians to be equipped for spiritual warfare against evil. The full armor of God includes truth, righteousness, peace, faith, the gift of salvation, and the word of God inspired by the Spirit.

Gospel Acclamation

(ELW p. 205)

Gospel Reading: John 6:56-69 [click link for reading](#)

Deacon Lynn Bulock

The "hard saying" that offends Jesus' disciples is his claim that his followers must eat his flesh and drink his blood. The followers who return to their old lives know something about how odd this sounds. Simon Peter, on the other hand, knows something about the scarcity of living, gracious words. He asks the most important questions: "To whom shall we go?"

Sermon Message

Deacon Lynn Bulock

"Loaves Abound"

Hymn of the Day

Spirit & Song #241

"Bread of Heaven"

Apostles' Creed

The Call to Stewardship

Prayers of the People

Pastor Craig Beeker

"Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer"

The Lord's Prayer

Benediction

Special Music

by Steve Green, arr. by Jim Raycroft

"People Need the Lord"

Vocalists: Aleta Braxton and Jim Raycroft

Participants in Today's Worship

Rev. Craig R. Beeker
Deacon Lynn Bulock

Audio / Video Technicians

Calvin Beeker
Joe Bulock
Gabe Hoffman
Laurie Scott

David Cohen, Pianist

Vocals:

Aleta Braxton, Music Director
MaryAnn Fiore
Terry Paulson
Jim Raycroft