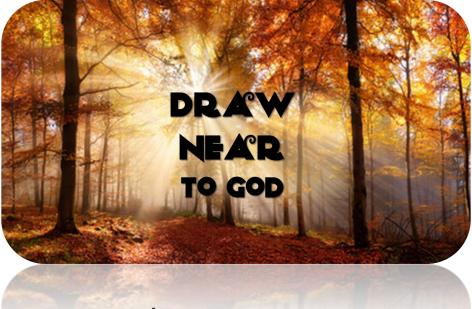


## September 19, 2021 17th Sunday after Pentecost



# 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.

Today we hear James warn against selfish ambition, while the disciples quarrel over which one of them is the greatest. Jesus tells them the way to be great is to serve. Then, to make it concrete, he puts in front of them a flesh-and-blood child. We are called to welcome the children God puts in front of us, to make room for them in daily interaction, and to give them a place of honor in the assembly. Welcome and Introduction

Opening Hymn	
"God, the Maker of All Things"	by Sam Hargreaves
Kyrie	(ELW p. 184)
Hymn of Praise	(ELW p. 185)
Prayer of the Day	Deacon Lynn Bulock
Children's Message	Pastor Craig Beeker

#### Reading: James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a click link for reading

The wisdom God gives unites our hearts and minds. Instead of living to satisfy our own wants and desires, we manifest this wisdom in peace, gentleness, mercy, and impartiality toward others.

(ELW p. 188)

Charlie Croft

#### Gospel Reading: Mark 9:30-37 *click link for reading*

#### Pastor Craig Beeker

Jesus' teaching and action in this text are directed to the church whenever it is seduced by the world's definition of greatness: prestige, power, influence, and money. The antidote to such a concern for greatness is servanthood.

Sermon Message	Pastor Craig Beeker
"Draw Near"	
Hymn of the Day	ELW Hymnal #397
"Loving Spirit"	
The Call to Stewardship	
Baptism of Hannah Rose Mader	Shannon and Leila Mader, parents
	Gary and Gail McGinnis, sponsors
Apostles' Creed	
Song of Blessing	
Prayers of the People	Deacon Lynn Bulock
"Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer"	
The Lord's Prayer	
Benediction	
Closing Hymn	Spirt & Song #354
"Take Up Our Cross"	

## Participants in Today's Worship

Rev. Craig R. Beeker Deacon Lynn Bulock

Audio / Video Technicians Calvin Beeker Gary McGinnis Gabe Hoffman Laurie Scott David Cohen, Pianist

Vocals:

Aleta Braxton, Music Director MaryAnn Fiore Robin Martin Terry Paulson