



## 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.

### INTRODUCTION FOR TODAY'S READINGS

The glory of the Lord is revealed in the reading of scripture. People stand at attention. People weep. People prostrate themselves in prayer. The unity of the church is another reflection of the glory of God. Most gloriously, the promises of God are fulfilled in the person of Jesus Christ. Gather round. Listen up. Glimpse the glory of God.

Introduction

Confession and Forgiveness

Rev. Melissa Maxwell-Doherty

Opening Hymn

ELW Hymnal #532

"Gather Us In"

Kyrie

Hymn of Praise

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Prayer of the Day

Deacon Lynn Bulock

Children's Message

Merylee Blair

Reading: Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10 [click link for reading](#)

Merylee Blair

The exiles have returned and rebuilt Jerusalem. Now Ezra, the priest, reads the law of Moses to them in the public square. When they hear it, they weep for their sins and for the long years in exile, but Ezra reminds them that the joy of the Lord is their strength.

Gospel Acclamation

ELW p. 216

Gospel Reading: Luke 4:14-21 [click link for reading](#)

Rev. Melissa Maxwell-Doherty

Near the beginning of Jesus' public ministry, he visits his hometown of Nazareth. In the words of Isaiah, he states and claims his identity purpose, and mission

Sermon

Rev. Melissa Maxwell-Doherty

Hymn

ELW Hymnal #821

"Shout to the Lord"

Apostles' Creed

Rev. Melissa Maxwell-Doherty

Prayers of the People

Deacon Lynn Bulock

"God of grace, **hear our prayer.**"

Call to Stewardship

Deacon Lynn Bulock

Service of Holy Communion

Rev. Melissa Maxwell-Doherty

The Lord's Prayer

Blessing & Sending

Rev. Melissa Maxwell-Doherty

Closing Hymn

ELW Hymnal #798

"Will You Come and Follow Me"

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### Participants in Today's Worship

Deacon Lynn Bulock  
Rev. Melissa Maxwell-Doherty  
Merylee Blair, Children's Message

Audio / Video Technicians  
Calvin Beeker  
Gail Beeker  
Gabe Hoffman  
Laurie Scott

Vocals:  
Aleta Braxton, Music Director  
Mary Ann Fiore  
Terry Paulson

David Cohen, Pianist