



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 warnings are plentiful and blunt on the third Sunday in Lent. Cut it out or get cut down! The warnings are accompanied by God's invitation to attentiveness: "Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live." The landowner's ultimatum is forestalled by the gardener's readiness to till the ground one more year. That is good news for all of us. Thanks be to God! (*visit our website for all the readings for this week www.NewHopeAgoura.org*)

Welcome	Pastor Scott Maxwell-Doherty
Confession and Forgiveness	
Opening Hymn "Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty"	ELW Hymnal #533
Invocation	Pastor Scott Maxwell-Doherty
Kyrie	NFC p.3
Hymn of Praise "Now the Feast and Celebration"	ELW Hymnal #167
Prayer of the Day	Pastor Scott Maxwell-Doherty
Children's Time	Merylee Blair
Reading: Isaiah 55:1-9 click link for reading	Alison Rowe
To those who have experienced long years in exile, the return to their homeland is a celebration of abundant life. God calls them into an everlasting covenant of love. Those who return to God will enjoy new life and forgiveness, because God's ways are not our ways.	
Gospel Acclamation	NFC p.16
Gospel Reading: Luke 13:1-9 click link for reading	Deacon Lynn Bulock
Asked about current tragic events, Jesus turns a lesson about whether suffering is deserved into a hard call to obedience. He then tells a parable that holds out hope that the timeline for ultimate judgment will be tempered by patience.	
Sermon "Return to the Lord"	Deacon Lynn Bulock
Hymn "Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil"	ELW Hymnal #215
Apostles' Creed	Pastor Scott Maxwell-Doherty
Prayers of the People "Merciful God, receive our prayer. "	Pastor Scott Maxwell-Doherty
Sharing the Peace	
Call to Stewardship	
Service of Holy Communion	Pastor Scott Maxwell-Doherty
The Lord's Prayer	
Communion Hymns "Lamb of God"	NFC p.30
"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"	ELW Hymnal #588
Post Communion Blessing	
Thanks and Praise "Thanks Be to You"	NFC p.32
Prayer, Blessing & Sending	Pastor Scott Maxwell-Doherty
Closing Hymn "This is Amazing Grace"	

Participants in Today's Worship

Pastor Scott Maxwell-Doherty
Deacon Lynn Bulock
Merylee Blair, Children's Message

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