



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 Psalm sets the tone this day: "Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, and whose sin is put away!" Happy are those who have "become the righteousness of God" in the merits of Christ Jesus. Happy are those for whom the forgiveness of God has "rolled away... the disgrace" of former times. Happy is the father at the return of his prodigal son. Happy are we that our sins are forgiven for Jesus' sake. Rejoice! (*visit our website for all the readings for this week www.NewHopeAgoura.org*)

Welcome Deacon Lynn Bulock

Confession and Forgiveness

Opening Hymn

"What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

ELW Hymnal #742

Invocation

Deacon Lynn Bulock

Kyrie

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Hymn of Praise

"Now the Feast and Celebration"

ELW Hymnal #167

Prayer of the Day

Deacon Lynn Bulock

Children's Time

Merylee Blair

Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21 [click link for reading](#)

Darlene Daigle

One way to describe the gospel is the promise that in Christ everything is transformed into newness. All mistakes, all deliberate sins, all old history is reconciled with Christ's resurrection. This is Paul's strong message to the congregation in the city of Corinth.

Gospel Acclamation

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Gospel Reading: Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32 [click link for reading](#)

Dr. Terry Paulson

Jesus tells a parable about a son who ponders his father's love only after he has spurned it. The grace he receives is beyond his hopes. That same grace is a crisis for an older brother who believed it was his obedience that earned his place in the father's home.

Sermon

"Our Own Prodigal Moments"

Dr. Terry Paulson

Hymn

"Come As You Are"

Apostles' Creed

Deacon Lynn Bulock

Prayers of the People

"Merciful God, **receive our prayer.**"

Deacon Lynn Bulock

Sharing the Peace

Call to Stewardship

Service of Holy Communion

Deacon Lynn Bulock

The Lord's Prayer

Communion Hymns

"Lamb of God"

"Only By Grace"

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Post Communion Blessing

Thanks and Praise

"Thanks Be to You"

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Prayer, Blessing & Sending

Deacon Lynn Bulock

Closing Hymn

"Living Hope"

Participants in Today's Worship

Deacon Lynn Bulock
Dr. Terry Paulson
Merylee Blair, Children's Message

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