

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
October 8, 2023, 10:00 a.m.



THE CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY

The Episcopal Church in Agoura, Oak Park, and Westlake Village

The Rev. Jamie Barnett, Vicar

WELCOME

Visitors: We are delighted you have come to worship with us today! If you are interested in learning more about our church, please fill out the purple information card found in the slot in front of your seat and place it on the collection plate. We are excited to meet you and would love to get to know you! Please join us for coffee, donuts, and fellowship in the Bishop's Hall directly after the service.

This booklet contains the full order of service. If you are unfamiliar with our rituals and customs, just be present with us in this ancient liturgy and let the rest of the congregation carry you in worship. The bold type indicates where the people are invited to respond or pray.

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Children: We welcome children in our worship. Their sounds are a gift from God – no need to subdue them! Our *pray ground* is located in the side chapel and has quiet activities for parents and younger children to use while still in worship. Children ages 3-11 are welcome to join the atrium for our Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Sunday School program located in Mitchel Hall. Ask the ushers for directions. Children return to the service for communion.

Contact: Office hours are Tuesday-Thursday from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. and the sanctuary is open during these hours for private prayer or meditation. To speak with The Rev. Jamie Barnett, please call the office and make an appointment. Her office hours are Tuesday through Thursday.

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The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

PRELUDE

Westminster Abbey

RICHARD PROULX (1937-2010)

I. Diapasons

II. Cornet

III. Ayre

The Word of God

At the sound of the bell. all stand as able and sing.

ENTRANCE HYMN

Hymn 518

Christ is made the sure foundation

WESTMINSTER ABBEY

OPENING ACCLAMATION

The people standing, the Presider says

Presider Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

OPENING ANTHEM OR SONG OF PRAISE S 280 *Glory to God (Canticle 20) (Powell)*

The following is sung, all stand



1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and



peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly



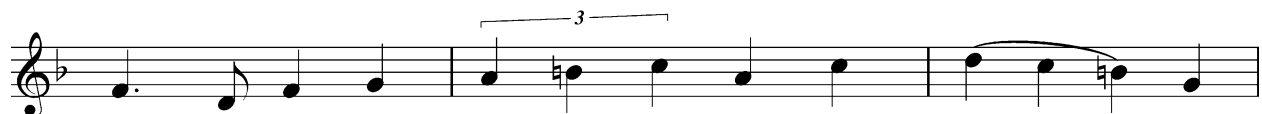
King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we



give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus



Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you



take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy

on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
 ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
 you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
 High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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COLLECT FOR PURITY

The Presider says

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

FIRST READING: Isaiah 5:1-7

The people sit.

A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

¹Let me sing for my beloved
my love-song concerning his vineyard:
My beloved had a vineyard
on a very fertile hill.

²He dug it and cleared it of stones,
and planted it with choice vines;
he built a watchtower in the midst of it,
and hewed out a wine vat in it;
he expected it to yield grapes,
but it yielded wild grapes.

³And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem
and people of Judah,
judge between me
and my vineyard.

⁴What more was there to do for my vineyard
that I have not done in it?
When I expected it to yield grapes,
why did it yield wild grapes?

⁵And now I will tell you
what I will do to my vineyard.
I will remove its hedge,
and it shall be devoured;
I will break down its wall,
and it shall be trampled down.

⁶I will make it a waste;
it shall not be pruned or hoed,
and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns;
I will also command the clouds
that they rain no rain upon it.

⁷For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts
is the house of Israel,
and the people of Judah
are his pleasant planting;
he expected justice,
but saw bloodshed;
righteousness,
but heard a cry!

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Silence may follow.

PSALM: Psalm 80:7-14 (*sung by all*)

Remain seated.



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- 7 Restore us, O God of | hosts: *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be | saved.
- 8 You have brought a vine up out of | Egypt; *
you cast out the nations and | planted it.
- 9 You prepared the | ground for it; *
it took root and filled the | land.
- 10 The mountains were covered by its | shadow *
and the towering cedar trees by its | boughs.
- 11 You stretched out its tendrils to the | Sea *
and its branches to the | River.
- 12 Why have you broken down its | wall, *
so that all who pass by pluck off its | grapes?
- 13 The wild boar of the forest has | ravaged it, *
and the beasts of the field have | grazed upon it.
- 14 Turn now, O God of hosts, look down from heaven;
behold and tend this | vine; *
preserve what your right hand has | planted.

SECOND READING: Philippians 3:4b-14

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Philippi.

^{4b}If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: ⁵circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

⁷Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. ⁸More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. ¹⁰I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, ¹¹if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

¹²Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one

thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Silence may follow.

SEQUENCE HYMN

All stand as able.

Hymn 474

When I survey the wondrous cross

ROCKINGHAM

GOSPEL: Matthew 21:33-46

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

[Jesus said,] ³³“Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. ³⁴When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. ³⁵But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. ³⁶Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. ³⁷Finally he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ ³⁸But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.’ ³⁹So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. ⁴⁰Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?” ⁴¹They said to him, “He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.”

⁴²Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the scriptures:
‘The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;
this was the Lord’s doing,
and it is amazing in our eyes’?”

⁴³Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. ⁴⁴The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.”

⁴⁵When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. ⁴⁶They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

Presider The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON

The Rev. Jamie Barnett

THE NICENE CREED

All stand as able.

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,**

**the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
 he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
 he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
 and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
 he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
 in accordance with the Scriptures;
 he ascended into heaven
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
 and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
 and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

All remain standing.

Let us pray that the Church and the world shall be conformed to the sovereignty of God.

Grant that the Church may reveal the loving power of God in her works and in her worship . . . As we seek to use rightly the gifts we have received, teach us to honor those in every generation who make known God's commands.

Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

Give wisdom to all in authority not to seek for more power than has been entrusted to them . . . May all who have control of this world's good be just and faithful in their dealings.

Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

Bless us with the grace to tell our families and friends and all our acquaintances that all good things come from God and to show that faith in our lives . . . May this community be blessed with justice and compassion in all that affects the welfare of its members.

Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

Have mercy on those who suffer for speaking the words of truth and claiming for God the honor and obedience that are his due . . . Bring relief to all who suffer because what they need for their sustenance has been unjustly withheld.

Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

We pray especially for those on our parish prayer list: Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, Steve, Paul, Shirley, and Georgia. We pray also for those who have asked for our prayers, but who prefer to remain anonymous, as well as those on our long-term prayer list.

Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

We pray for all who, after being ignored and rejected in this world, have entered into glory, especially Chad . . . May they rejoice in the good fruit of eternal life.

Lord, hear us.

Lord, graciously hear us.

We pray in the name of Christ, the cornerstone of our faith. *Amen.*

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Presider says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Presider and People

God of all mercy,

**we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.**

**We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.**

**We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.**

**Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.**

The Presider says.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Then the Presider and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER FOR BIRTHDAYS

All **Watch over your *children*, O Lord, as *their* days increase; bless and guide *them* wherever they may be. Strengthen *them* when *they* stand; comfort *them* when discouraged or sorrowful; raise *them* up if *they* fall; and in *their* hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of *their* lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY

Elohim hashivenu

(sung by the Schola)

Elohim hashivenu v'haer panecha v'nivvashe'a.

Restore us, O God; show the light of your countenance and we shall be saved.

Elohim tsevaot hashivenu v'haer panecha v'nivvashe'a.

Restore us, O God of hosts; show the light of your countenance and we shall be saved.

Adonai Elohim tsevaot hashivenu v'haer panecha v'nivvashe'a.

Restore us, O Lord God of hosts; show the light of your countenance and we shall be saved.

TEXT: PSALM 80: 3, 7, 18

MUSIC: SALAMONE ROSSI (C. 1570-1630)

PRESENTATION HYMN

All stand as able and sing.

Hymn 483

The head that once was crowned with thorns

ST. MAGNUS

The Great Thanksgiving

Remain standing.

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Presider

All thanks and praise
are yours at all times and in all places,
our true and loving God;

through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word,
 the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things.
 You laid the foundations of the world
 and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb;
 You brought forth all creatures of the earth
 and gave breath to humankind.
 Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing,
 all you create is a sign of hope for our journey;
 And so as the morning stars sing your praises
 we join the heavenly beings and all creation
 as we shout with joy:

SANCTUS S 130 *Holy, holy, holy (Schubert/Proulx)*

Presider and People

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are

full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Presider continues

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all,
 your Word has never been silent;
 you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations,
 you delivered them from bondage
 and led them to a land of promise.

Of your grace, you gave Jesus
 to be human, to share our life,
 to proclaim the coming of your holy reign
 and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.

Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer,
 you have freed us from sin,
 brought us into your life,
 reconciled us to you,
 and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us
Jesus took bread,
and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it,
gave it to his friends and said:
“Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”
After supper Jesus took the cup of wine,
said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said:
“Drink this, all of you:
this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood,
poured out for you and for all
for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”
And so, remembering all that was done for us:
the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension,
longing for Christ’s coming in glory,
and presenting to you these gifts
your earth has formed and human hands have made,
we acclaim you, O Christ:

Presider and People

**Dying, you destroyed our death.
Rising, you restored our life.
Christ Jesus, come in glory!**

The Presider continues

Send your Holy Spirit upon us
and upon these gifts of bread and wine
that they may be to us
the Body and Blood of your Christ.
Grant that we, burning with your Spirit’s power,
may be a people of hope, justice and love.
Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ,
and in the fullness of time gather us
with all your people
into the joy of our true eternal home.
Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ,
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
we worship you our God and Creator
in voices of unending praise.

All: Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say, in the language of our hearts,

People and Presider

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

The first system of music consists of a treble and bass staff. The treble staff has a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature. The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and moving lines. The lyrics are placed below the treble staff.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

The second system of music continues the melody and accompaniment from the first system. The lyrics are placed below the treble staff.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

The third system of music continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are placed below the treble staff.

give us your peace, give us your peace.

The fourth system of music concludes the hymn. The lyrics are placed below the treble staff. The music ends with a double bar line.

The Presider says
The Gifts of God for the People of God.

DISTRIBUTION

The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

Presider This is Christ's Banquet. It is made ready for those who love God, and for those who want to love God more. So, come, you who have much faith and you who have little, you who have been here often, and you who have not been here long. You who have tried to follow Jesus, and you who have gotten lost. Come, because it is Christ who invites you.

During the distribution of Communion, we welcome you to receive the sacrament or a prayer of blessing. If receiving a blessing, please come forward and simply cross your hands over your chest as you walk up to the presider. If you would like a gluten-free wafer, please tell the presider when you reach the front.

Put your hands out one on top of the other, and the wafer will be placed in your hand. Leave the wafer in place and move to the chalice bearer, who will then take it, dip it in the wine, and hand it back to you. If you do not wish to receive the wine, simply consume the wafer and then you may place your hands on the base of the chalice and the chalice bearer will say the words of administration.

COMMUNION HYMN



Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's ho - ly name.



Bless the Lord, my soul, he res - cues me from death.



Sing prais - es, all you peoples, sing prais - es to the Lord; sing



prais - es, all you peo-ples, sing prais - es to the Lord!

After Communion, the Presider says
Let us pray.

Presider and People
**God of abundance,
you have fed us
with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
you have united us**

**with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one
with all your people in heaven and on earth.
Now send us forth
in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue for ever
in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

The Priest blesses the people.

POST-COMMUNION HYMN

Hymn 448

O love, how deep, how broad, how high

DEUS TUORUM MILITUM

DISMISSAL

Presider

Alleluia, alleluia! Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

Westminster Abbey

RICHARD PROULX (1937-2010)

IV. Trumpet Tune

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THIS WEEK AT EPIPHANY

- 10/8 10:00 a.m. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
- 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist; in-person and live-streaming: www.tcote.org
- 11:30 a.m. Outreach Committee Meeting
- 10/9 7:00 p.m. PFLAG
- 10/11 12:00 p.m. Feeding the Spirit Bible Study
- 7:00 p.m. Lectio Divina
- 10/12 12:00 p.m. OWLs event
- 6:30 p.m. Schola rehearsal
- 7:45 p.m. Parish Choir rehearsal
- 10/15 9:45 a.m. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
- 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist; in-person and live-streaming: www.tcote.org
- 12:00 p.m. Newcomers/Episcopal 101

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS



A blessedly fun time was had by humans and their furry friends alike - and the lizard, too! Go to www.tcote.org for pictures!

A NEW MINISTRY AT EPIPHANY!



During the Episcopal service of Holy Communion, or Eucharist, the offerings of bread and wine are brought to the altar along with the offering plates. The wine

carafe and bread container are carried by members of the congregation invited to participate prior to the service.

Frequently these members are a family unit, but they may be anyone who might be said to represent “the people of God” mentioned in the service. As they offer the “oblations” of the congregation, they are referred to as the “**Oblationers**” for that service.

Often those wishing to serve in this capacity might choose a specific date to do so based on a special occasion such as a birthday or an anniversary or in remembrance of a loved one who from their labors now rests. Whenever you chose to serve you will then stay up on the chancel platform during the celebration of the Eucharistic Prayer and receive communion with the altar party.

Please let us know when you would like to be an oblationer. info@tcote.org. All are welcome.

OCTOBER OWLS EVENT



Please come join us **Thursday, October 12 from noon – 2** for lunch and an English history talk from our very own Guy Walker. He will be speaking on the period of 1660-1714, which covers the latter half of the Stuart dynasty

(Restoration of Charles II, James II, William and Mary, and Queen Anne.) We ask for a \$10 donation to cover the cost of lunch. Please RSVP by October 9 to Michelle Ponticelli at 805-320-5003 or email her at mponticelli@tcote.org.



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FLOWER GIFTS FOR SUNDAYS



Sponsoring altar flowers on Sunday is a wonderful way to celebrate a special occasion, honor loved ones, or give thanks. If you would like to give, please fill out the card found in the church pews or visit www.tcote.org.

LAUNDRY LOVE OCTOBER DATE



Laundry Love date change for October! The new date is

October 24. We will meet at the Coin Op Laundry, 1008 E. Avenida de Los Arboles (near

the 99 Cents Only Store) 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Volunteers can come any time, for any length of time.

We would like some early shifters for this date.

Questions? Please contact Karen at kjames@tcote.org.

CREATION CARE



Wednesday October 4 was the Feast of St Francis, known as the Saint of Ecology. A central insight of Franciscan spirituality is that the created world is a window into the

divine that reveals God's own beauty. For Francis all of creation was a manifestation of the goodness of God. His Canticle of the Creatures reminds us that all that exists – the sun, moon, stars, water, wind, fire, and earth – gives praise to God, and that we humans and the rest of creation are dependent on one another and intimately interconnected.

In Pope Francis' encyclical "*Laudato Si.*" he says that "many things have to change course, but it is we human beings above all who need to change." Francis is talking about a change of both attitude and action. We need to stop living in a world where we are all separate and come together in a world of interbeing, a world where we are part of God's creation, not separate from creation.

PRESIDING BISHOP CURRY UPDATE



Presiding Bishop Michael Curry remains hospitalized as a precaution after his Sept. 20 surgery, and doctors have determined the mass they removed was not cancerous.

Out of an abundance of caution, Bishop Curry's doctors continue to monitor him in the hospital for a minor infection and management of his medication for atrial fibrillation. He is in good spirits and expresses his heartfelt thanks for all the prayers and well wishes during this challenging time.

DIOCESE CONVENTION 2023



Episcopal Diocese of Los Angeles

"Love in Action: For Healing, Housing & Hope" will be the theme

for the 128th meeting of Diocesan Convention, a two-day hybrid event on Friday and Saturday, November 10 and 11. Learn more at www.tcote.org or www.diocesela.org.

OCTOBER LUNCH BUNCH



Many, many thanks for the lunches last month. The folks served by Harbor House very much appreciated them. Our next date is **Wednesday, October 18** and they are asking for 70 lunches. Let me know if you are able to help this month. e-mail: yvonnellux@gmail.com. Thanks so much! Details at www.tcote.org

MINISTRIES – FIND YOUR CONNECTION

For more information on these and other ministries, please visit www.tcote.org.



Meeting weekly for one-hour at noon on Wednesdays in Bishop's Hall, **Feeding the Spirit Bible Study** is focused on upcoming lessons for the week and the themes found within. Bring a lunch! We're feeding the Spirit and the Body! Upcoming readings will be found in our weekly *Connections* newsletter (subscribe at www.tcote.org) or on The Lectionary Page at www.lectionarypage.net



The **Pastoral Care Team** cares for parishioners who may be sick, recovering from surgery or experiencing other life changes. We make phone calls, visit hospitals and homes, and help with the unmet needs they may have, such as providing an occasional meal following surgery or illness. If you would like to be a part of this rewarding ministry, contact Sharon Schneider: sschneider@tcote.org

Lectio Divina is a practice of scriptural reading, meditation, and prayer opening to a deeper communion with God. We meet via Zoom every Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. Link at www.tcote.org or contact: Barry Burns burnscreative@gmail.com.





A grief shared meets *on the fourth Tuesday of every month from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in Ascension Chapel.* Wherever and

however you are experiencing grief, we invite you to come and share your story in a safe and supportive space. Contact: Laurie Burns lburns@tcote.org

OWLS (Older Wiser Laity) strives to create community and fellowship opportunities among the more senior members of our church and the greater area, meeting monthly for lunch and a variety of enriching programs from October-May. Contact Michelle Ponticelli: mponticelli@tcote.org



PFLAG's vision is to create a world where difference is celebrated, and all people are valued inclusive of their sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression. We meet on the *second Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m.* Contact: info@tcote.org



The Lunch Bunch prepares and delivers 70-80 brown bag lunches to Harbor House once a month for low income and homeless families and individuals. Join us! Contact: Yvonne

Lux yvonnellux@gmail.com

Laundry Love is a nationwide program that assists low-income families and individuals in doing their laundry. We meet on the *last Tuesday of each month from 5:00 - 7:30 p.m.* Contact: Karen James kjames@tcote.org



The Women's Interfaith Network (WIN) has many opportunities to serve those in need in our community. Please check their page on our website www.tcote.org. Contact: Aggie Winston (805) 807-5001.

Creation Care at The Church of the Epiphany is about helping each other to grow in care for God's Creation. Seasonal Sacred Hikes help to create a personal bond and connection. Contact: Mari Mendenhall mmidsgn@sbcglobal.net



Want to help on Sundays during the service? If you are interested in being an **usher, reader, or LEM**, please contact the church at info@tcote.org



Members of the **Altar Guild** prepare all that is necessary for the celebration of the Eucharist and all of the other sacraments of the church. Contact: Leigh Wallace mizeinla@gmail.com



Each week, talented and creative team members of the **Epiphany Flower Guild** purchase and arrange our altar flowers. No experience necessary; on-the-job training provided! Contact:

Carrie Wilcox (703) 508-2628



"Just the noise you make, and the camaraderie...it is the most life-affirming experience, singing in a choir." Sir Elton John.

The **Music Ministry** at

The Church of the Epiphany offers a variety of opportunities for participation and welcomes all. You may join the choir at any time. Contact: Jay Wilcox jwilcox@tcote.org

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program is highly child-centered and allows children to enter into a relationship with God in their own ways, and in their own time. All children are welcome. Contact: Laurie Burns lburns@tcote.org



At Epiphany, we embrace and appreciate the capacity and insight of our teen parishioners. **EYG** is a safe, encouraging space for spiritual exploration and the asking of important questions.

Our youth group meets *every Sunday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.* Contact: Laurie Burns lburns@tcote.org



Coffee hour is a tradition of hospitality and fellowship, a time to catch up with friends and acquaint yourself with new people of the congregation. Interested in

being a **Coffee Host**? Contact: info@tcote.org



The **Epiphany Music Guild** furthers the church's outreach mission to the community by providing a regular series of musical and other artistic events;

thereby enriching people's lives and giving them opportunities to encounter beauty in a sacred space.

Contact: Jay at jwilcox@tcote.org



Red Door Vineyard's vision is to be a source of congregational growth, strength and spirituality as we share in the journey of crafting wine in God's name. In

addition to ongoing vineyard activities, we gather monthly for Monday Night Fellowship and Friday Evening Happy Hour and arrange a variety of social and cultural experiences. Contact: Stacey Stephens

reddoorvineyard@tcote.org

PRAYERS

Please pray for those on our Parish Prayer List: Bishop Michael Curry, Steve, Paul, Shirley, and Georgia

Please pray for those on our Long-Term Parish Prayer list: Boyd, Kay, Neil and Sarah, Tom, Donna, Arturo, Tommy, Judith, Matthew, Kathy, the Rowe family and baby Noah, Curt, Jana, Dave C, Steve, Joe, Rhonda, Catherine, Lynn, Dan, Amanda, Laura, Tabitha, Debbi, Judie, Viola Cleo, Cordelia, the Barsoum family,

Please pray for the souls of the departed, especially Chad.

To add yourself, family, or friends to the prayer list, please fill out a prayer card or submit your prayer request online at www.tcote.org/prayer-request/.

After two weeks on the Parish Prayer List, the names of those for whom we have prayed are moved to the Long-Term Prayer List for two more months, unless told otherwise.

To access the bulletin from either your tablet or your cell phone, please scan the QR code:

