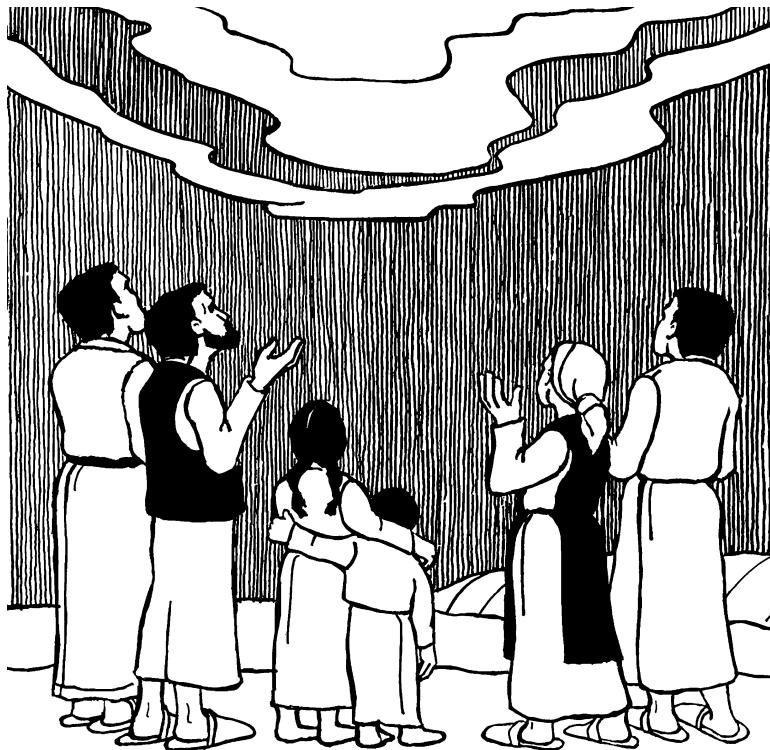


**The Seventh Sunday of Easter  
The Sunday after Ascension Day  
May 21, 2023, 10:00 a.m.**



**THE CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY**

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

The Rev. Jamie Barnett, Vicar

## Welcome to The Church of The Epiphany

**For our Visitors:** We are delighted you have come to worship with us today. There is coffee and fellowship in the Bishop's Hall directly after the service. Please join us!

**Worshipping with us:** 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.

During the distribution of Communion, we welcome you to receive the sacrament or a prayer of blessing. Additional information about communion is in that section of this booklet. If you have any questions, please feel free to speak to an usher or other congregants.

**Additional assistance:** To locate the restrooms proceed through the office door to the right of the church and go straight down the hall and to the left. Both restrooms have baby changing tables.

**Assisted listening devices** are available from the ushers in the back of the church.

**Children in the church:** We welcome children at all our worship services. The sounds of children are a gift from God. Please do not feel you have to subdue them! In the chapel to the left of the altar, we have our *pray ground*. This space is for parents and younger children to use quiet activities such as books, coloring, soft blocks etc., while still participating in worship. We offer activity bags for older children. Children aged 3-11 are welcome to join us in the atrium for our Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Sunday school program.

**Making Epiphany your spiritual home:** 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. Start by joining us for coffee after the service!

**When we are open:** The church is open Monday-Thursday for private prayer and meditation from 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Our office is open Monday-Thursday from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Our phone number is (818) 991-4797. The Rev. Jamie Barnett has office hours Tuesday through Thursday by appointment.

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# The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

## PRELUDE

The Ascension: IV. Prayer of Christ ascending to his Father

OLIVIER MESSIAEN (1908-1992)

(Please see note on this piece on the page before the Connections)

## The Word of God

At the sound of the bell, at stand, as able, and sing

### ENTRANCE HYMN

Hymn 215

See, the Conqueror mounts in triumph

IN BABILONE

### OPENING ACCLAMATION

The people standing, the priest says

Priest Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

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

The following is sung, all standing as able.

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.

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Priest* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Priest* Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son our Savior Jesus Christ ascended far above all heavens that he might fill all things: Mercifully give us faith to perceive that, according to his promise, he abides with his Church on earth, even to the end of the ages; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

## The Lessons

### FIRST READING: Acts 1:1-11

*The people sit.*

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

<sup>1</sup>In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning <sup>2</sup>until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. <sup>3</sup>After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. <sup>4</sup>While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; <sup>5</sup>for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

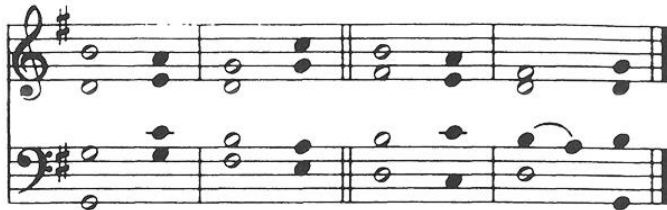
<sup>6</sup>So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?” <sup>7</sup>He replied, “It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. <sup>8</sup>But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” <sup>9</sup>When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. <sup>10</sup>While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. <sup>11</sup>They said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

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

*Silence may follow.*

**PSALM: Psalm 47**

*Remain seated.*



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<sup>1</sup>Clap your hands, all you | peoples; \*  
shout to God with a cry of | joy.  
<sup>2</sup>For the LORD Most High is to be | feared; \*  
he is the great King over all the | earth.  
<sup>3</sup>He subdues the peoples | under us, \*  
and the nations under our | feet.  
<sup>4</sup>He chooses our in|heritance for us, \*  
the pride of Jacob whom he | loves.  
<sup>5</sup>God has gone up with a | shout, \*  
the LORD with the sound of the | ram's-horn.  
<sup>6</sup>Sing praises to God, sing | praises; \*  
sing praises to our King, sing | praises.  
<sup>7</sup>For God is King of all the | earth; \*  
sing praises with all your | skill.  
<sup>8</sup>God reigns over the | nations; \*  
God sits upon his holy | throne.  
<sup>9</sup>The nobles of the peoples have gathered to|gether \*  
with the people of the God of | Abraham.  
<sup>10</sup>The rulers of the earth belong to | God, \*  
and he is highly ex|alted.

**SECOND READING: Ephesians 1:15-23**

*The people sit.*

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

<sup>15</sup>I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason <sup>16</sup>I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. <sup>17</sup>I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, <sup>18</sup>so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, <sup>19</sup>and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. <sup>20</sup>God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, <sup>21</sup>far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. <sup>22</sup>And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, <sup>23</sup>which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

*Reader*           The Word of the Lord.

*People*           **Thanks be to God.**

*Silence may follow.*

## **SEQUENCE HYMN**

*All stand.*

Hymn 214

Hail the day that sees him rise

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## **GOSPEL: Luke 24:44-53**

*Priest*           The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*People*           **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

<sup>44</sup>[Jesus said to his disciples,] “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.”<sup>45</sup>Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, <sup>46</sup>and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, <sup>47</sup>and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. <sup>48</sup>You are witnesses of these things. <sup>49</sup>And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.”

<sup>50</sup>Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. <sup>51</sup>While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. <sup>52</sup>And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; <sup>53</sup>and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

*Priest*           The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*           **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## **THE SERMON**

The Rev. Jamie Barnett

## **THE CREED**

*All stand.*

**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.*

Come, let us pray with thanksgiving to him who ascended with great triumph to God's heavenly kingdom, responding to each petition by saying, "*Hear us, Ascended Lord.*"

Open our minds to understand the truth of holy scripture, fashioning our lives to proclaim its saving message, and bearing witness to the power of forgiveness and mercy; for this we pray.

*Hear us, ascended Lord.*

Send us into places of poverty and despair, that we may feed the hungry, comfort those who are ill, be present to the lonely, offer hope to the downtrodden, and reveal the healing power of the Risen and Ascended Christ; for this we pray.

*Hear us, ascended Lord.*

Turn our hearts toward your will, that we may choose new life, receive the grace of your forgiveness, and bear witness to your loving and sacrificial hope; for this we pray.

*Hear us, ascended Lord.*

Move the leaders of Church and government to guide us into a simplicity of living, discovering our worth through virtuous living, and leaving behind the false promises of the world's wealth; for this we pray.

*Hear us, ascended Lord.*

We pray especially for those on our parish prayer list: Juan Carlos, Connor, Jasmine, Marilyn, Lee, Katie, Danielle and Gabriel, the Rowe family and baby Noah, and the Bonus and Thompson families. We pray also for

all those who have asked for our prayers, but who prefer to remain anonymous, as well as those on our long-term prayer list. For them we pray,

*Hear us, ascended Lord.*

Give us faith to perceive that Christ dwells with his Church on earth and prepares for us a heavenly mansion, especially remembering today \_\_\_\_\_ and all who have died; for this we pray.

*Hear us, ascended Lord.*

In thanksgiving for the faith of the apostles, whose devotion to Jesus inspires our holy and life-giving commitment to proclaim his message today; for this we pray.

*Hear us, ascended Lord. Amen.*

## **CONFESSION OF SIN**

*The Priest says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Minister and People*

**Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*The Priest stands and says*

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

## **THE PEACE**

*All stand, as able.*

*Priest*           The peace of Christ be always with you.

*People*           **And also with you.**

*All may greet one another in the name of Lord.*

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES**



## 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 ANTHEM** Look, ye saints, the sight is glorious *(sung by the Parish Choir)*

Look, ye saints, the sight is glorious, see the Man of Sorrows now;  
from the fight returned victorious, every knee to him shall bow;  
Crown him, crown him! Crowns become the victor's brow.

Crown the Savior, angels, crown him! Rich the trophies Jesus brings,  
In the seat of power enthrone him, while the vault of heaven rings;  
Crown him, crown him! Crown the Savior King of kings.

Sinners in derision crowned him, mocking thus the sinner's claim:  
saints and angels crowd around him, own his title, praise his name.  
Crown him, crown him! Spread abroad the victor's fame.

Hark! those bursts of acclamation, hark! those loud triumphant chords!  
Jesus takes the highest station; O what joy the sight affords!  
Crown him, crown him! King of kings and Lord of lords.

TEXT: THOMAS KELLY (1769-1854)  
MUSIC: MELODY BY WILLIAM OWEN (1814-1893); SETTING  
BY MAX SINZHEIMER (1894-1977)

## PRESENTATION HYMN

Hymn 494 Crown him with many crowns

DIADEMATA

## The Great Thanksgiving

*The People remain standing.*

*Priest* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Priest* Lift up your hearts.

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

*Priest* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

*Facing the Holy Table, the Priest proceeds*

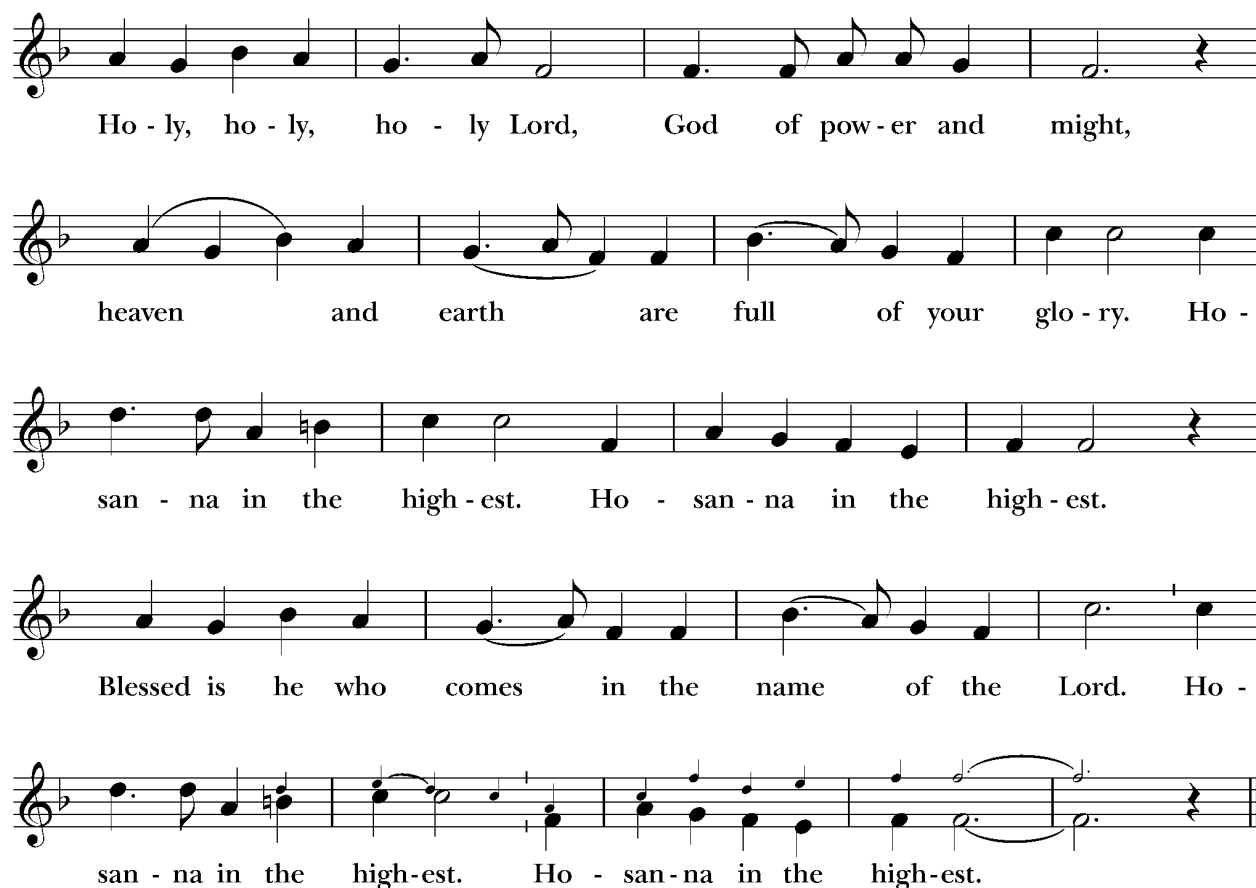
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through your dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord. After his glorious resurrection he openly appeared to his disciples, and in their sight ascended into heaven, to prepare a place for us; that where he is, there we might also be, and reign with him in glory.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

### **SANCTUS S 125 Holy, holy, holy (Proulx)**

*Priest and People*



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Blessed 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 People stand or kneel.*

*The Priest continues*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, according to his command, O God,

*Priest and People*

**We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

*The Priest continues*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Savior of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, through whom we are acceptable to you, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [\_\_\_\_\_ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, 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,

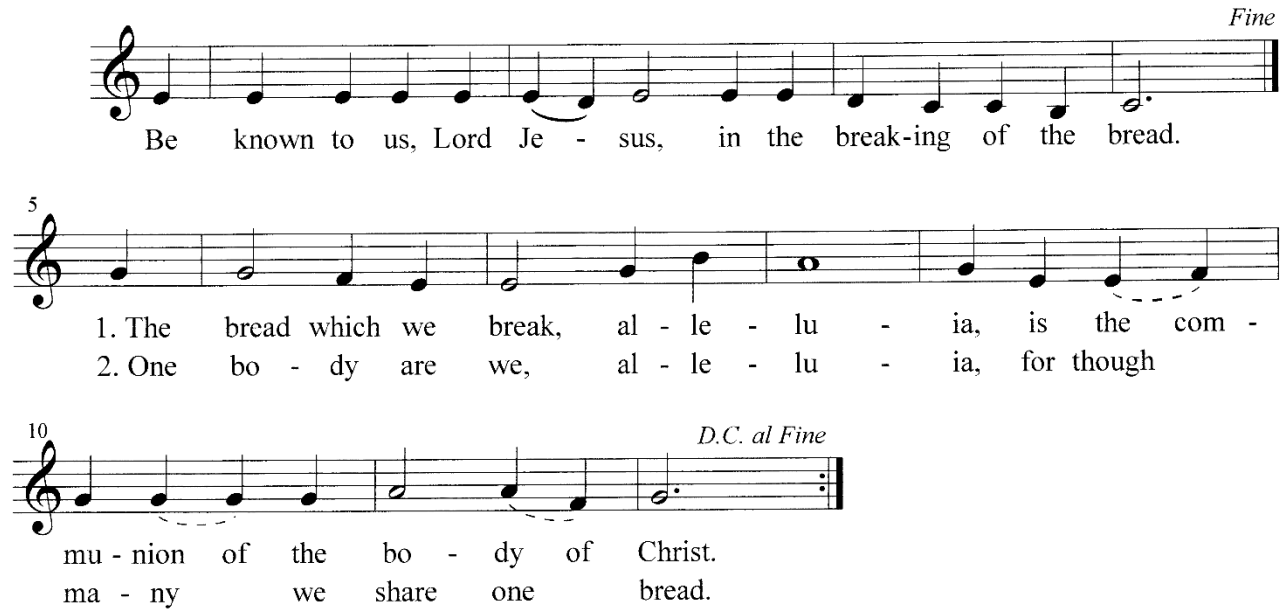
*People and Priest*

**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

## FRACTION ANTHEM

*Sung by all.*



*Fine*

Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break-ing of the bread.

5

1. The bread which we break, al - le - lu - ia, is the com -  
2. One bo - dy are we, al - le - lu - ia, for though

10 *D.C. al Fine*

mu - nion of the bo - dy of Christ.  
ma - ny we share one bread.

## INVITATION

*The Priest 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.*

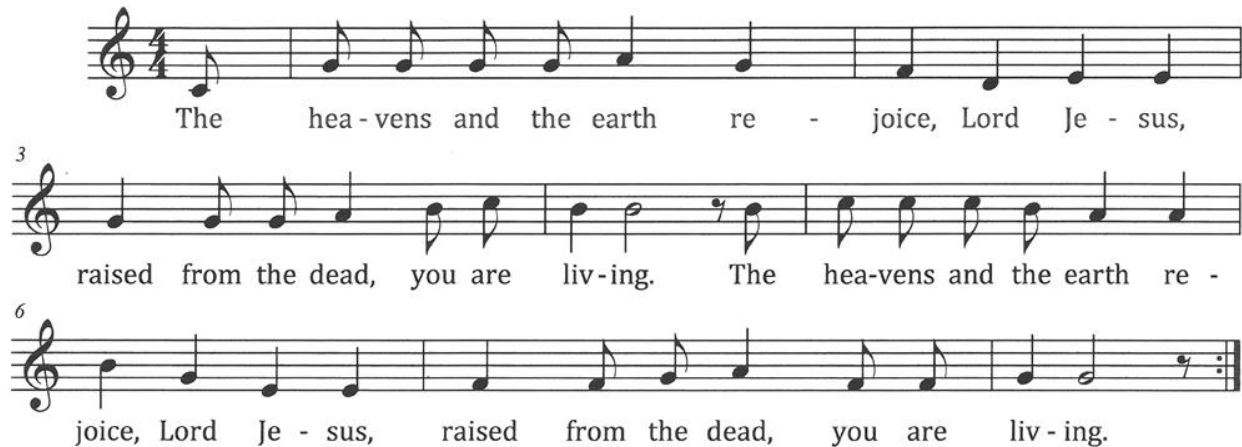
*Priest* This is Christ's Banquet. It is made ready for those who love God, and for those who want to love God more. So, come, you who have much faith and you who have little, you who have been here often, and you who have not been here long. You who have tried to follow Jesus, and you who have failed.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

*During Communion, all are welcome – even encouraged! – to come forward to receive the holy food of new and everlasting life in Jesus Christ. Simply put your hands out (one on top of the other), and the bread will be placed in your hand. (If needed, gluten-free wafers are available.)*

*You may then consume the wafer (if you do not wish to have it intincted in the wine) or leave the wafer on your palm and the chalice bearer will dip it into the wine for you and place it in your hand. If you aren't sure, or if you'd rather not receive the actual Sacrament, come up and cross your arms across your chest to receive a blessing. You may also cross your arms over your chest or touch the bottom of the chalice if you wish not to receive wine. Finally, if you'd like to receive Communion but mobility is an issue, alert an usher and Communion will be brought to you.*

## COMMUNION HYMN

*All are invited to sing*



The hea - vens and the earth re - joice, Lord Je - sus,  
raised from the dead, you are liv - ing. The hea - vens and the earth re -  
joice, Lord Je - sus, raised from the dead, you are liv - ing.

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

*After Communion, the Priest says*

Let us pray.

*Priest and People*

**Eternal God,**

**you have graciously accepted us as living members**

**of our Savior Jesus Christ,**

**and you have fed us with spiritual food**

**in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.**

**Send us now into the world in peace,**

**and grant us strength and courage**

**to love and serve you**

**with gladness and singleness of heart;**

**through Christ our Savior. Amen.**

## BLESSING

*The Priest blesses the people.*

## POST-COMMUNION HYMN

Hymn 460

Alleluia, sing to Jesus

HYFRYDOL

## DISMISSAL

*Priest* Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

## POSTLUDE

Llanfair

ROBERT J. POWELL (B. 1932)

The flowers this Sunday are donated by  
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Mary Jane McGraw.

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### A note about today’s prelude:

Olivier Messiaen, one of the greatest composers of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, had a profound and mystical faith. In order to express his faith in his music, he developed his own unique, personal harmonic language.

In 1932-33, he composed a suite for orchestra titled *L’Ascension* (The Ascension), a series of movements reflecting on the ascension of Christ into heaven forty days after the first Easter. In 1934, he arranged the suite for organ; however, because of the difficulties of arranging the third orchestral movement, he wrote an entirely new third movement for organ. The organ version was premiered a few days before the orchestral version, and remains more popular than the orchestral version today.

Messiaen intended the final movement, *Prayer of Christ ascending to his Father*, to be the “emotional peak” of *L’Ascension*. Marked “extremely slow,” it is serene and timeless. The movement is built around an ascending melody, supported by richly colorful chords. The harmonies are voiced in such a way that only three chords in the entire movement have a traditional foundation, which makes the music feel as if it is suspended in the air. The movement ends without a final resolution, perhaps implying that the ascension is not the end—there is more to come.

Under the title of this movement, Messiaen placed this scriptural quotation: “And now, O Father, I have manifested your name to humanity . . . and now I am no longer in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to you.” John 17: 6, 11



# EPIPHANY CONNECTIONS

## THIS WEEK AT EPIPHANY

- 5/21 9:45 a.m. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd – Children in the Atrium
- 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (In-person and live-streaming at [www.tcote.org](http://www.tcote.org))
- 11:30 a.m. Epiphany Youth Group meeting
- 11:30 a.m. LEM Training
- 5/23 11:00 a.m. a grief shared
- 5/24 7:00 p.m. Lectio Divina
- 5/18 7:45 p.m. Parish Choir Rehearsal
- 5/28 10:00 a.m. Children in Church
- 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (In-person and live-streaming at [www.tcote.org](http://www.tcote.org))
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## SAVE THE DATE!

**Save Saturday, September 16 for our Annual Epiphany Party! It will be a fiesta!**

## A GRIEF SHARED



While we experience joy and meaning in our lifetime, we are not always prepared to face the trauma of profound loss. We discover - all too quickly - that we cannot

bear the pain of our grief alone. The process of sharing our grief fosters hope and healing and connects those whose experiences are profoundly shared with others. Wherever and however you are experiencing grief - the death of a loved one, the loss of hope, the fear of the unknown - we invite you to come and share your story in a safe and supportive space. Our group meets **this Tuesday, May 25 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in Ascension Chapel.** Please contact Laurie Burns at [lburns@tcote.org](mailto:lburns@tcote.org) if you need further information.

## PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING



Congratulations to **Karen James** on receiving her Diploma in Theology from Bloy House, the Episcopal Theological School at Los Angeles. She received the Award for the Highest Academic Achievement in a Master of Divinity Degree Program, The Episcopal

Preaching Foundation Preaching Award for Bloy House, AND the Dorothy Anne Honeychurch Women's Leadership Award. Way to go Karen! We are blessed to have you in our midst.

## CHORAL EVENSONG FOR THE FEAST OF THE HOLY TRINITY



**Sunday, June 4,  
4:00 p.m.**

The Epiphany choirs are excited to invite you to join us for our first service of Choral Evensong since before COVID began! This service of psalms, scripture, prayers, and beautiful music is designed to help those present experience God in a profound way. The choral music will include a beautiful Magnificat and Nunc dimittis by Herbert Sumsion and an exciting anthem by Fred Gramann. The organ prelude and postlude will be the three large settings of the German Kyrie from Bach's Clavierübung III.

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



## SPOTLIGHT ON MINISTRY – COFFEE HOSTS



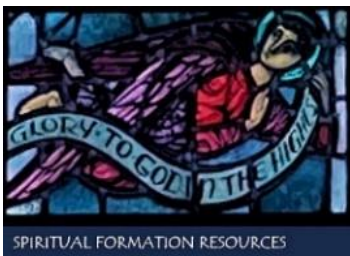
**Hospitality and warmth** are the first things I think of when being a coffee host. Giving someone a hot cup of coffee and a donut brings a smile to their face and something to hold while mingling with other parishioners.

During Covid, one thing I missed was the casual banter during coffee hour. It was nice catching up with people you hadn't seen in a week and meeting new people. Being a coffee host is a great casual way to participate in the church and add joy to others.

It's an easy setup of coffee, supplies, and donuts. Clean up is a breeze and volunteers usually are assigned a Sunday once every 6-8 weeks. If you would like to volunteer, please contact the church office at (818) 991-4797 or send an email to [info@tcote.org](mailto:info@tcote.org).

-Ministry Leader Shay Hass

## “LOVE GOD, LOVE GOD’S WORLD”



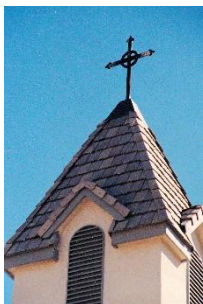
**Coming in July: New small-group resource on faith, creation care, and eco-justice.**

“Love God, Love God’s World” is a nine-session,

film-based curriculum, ideal for Episcopalians anywhere on the journey with creation care and environmental ministry—from newcomers looking to take their first step to seasoned leaders seeking a transformative small-group experience.

Go to [www.episcopalchurch.org/ministries/creation-care](http://www.episcopalchurch.org/ministries/creation-care) to learn more.

## STAY CONNECTED



Visit [www.tcote.org](http://www.tcote.org) to explore all things Epiphany, follow links to our greater Episcopal family, check out the calendar, donate flowers, listen to sermons, learn about our organ, stained-glass windows or our sacraments. **Subscribe to our bi-weekly e-mailed Connections Newsletter under Connect.** Find us on

Facebook at @EpiphanyOakPark and on Instagram at tcoteoakpark.

## EfM



**What Does It Mean to Love and Serve God?**

Each week we pray God "Send us now into the world in peace to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart." What does it mean to love and serve God in our everyday lives? **Education for Ministry (EfM)** is a four-year program of theological education that can help you answer that question. EfM is designed for lay people -- all of us! -- who are interested in deepening their understanding of the Christian faith and exploring their ministry as lay persons.

Through EfM, you will:

- Study the Bible, church history, and theology.
- Engage in theological reflection and discussion.
- Build deep relationships with other people of faith.

EfM is a great way to learn more about yourself, your faith, and your work in the world at large. If you are interested in learning more, please contact Elizabeth Bryant at (805) 469-8897 or [e.vana.bryant@gmail.com](mailto:e.vana.bryant@gmail.com). Enroll in EfM today and discover your call to everyday ministry!

## PRAYERS

**Please pray for those on our Parish Prayer List:** Lynn, Cynthia, Juan Carlos, the Bonus and Thompson families, Gabriel, Dani, Connor

**Please pray for those on our Long-Term Parish Prayer list:** Kay, Boyd, Kristi, Neil and Sarah, Donna, Byron and Olivia, Susan, Arturo, Dave, David, Tommy, Judith, Matthew, Joann, Kathy, Ronnie, Mario, Curt, Claudia, Cenovio, Jana, Davis, Carol

*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/](http://www.tcote.org/prayer-request/).*

*After two weeks on the Parish Prayer List, the names of those for whom we have prayed are*