



# THE CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY

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

**The Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany**  
**February 7, 2021, 10:00 a.m.**

## The Celebration of the Holy Eucharist

**PRELUDE**

Fuga super Allein Gott in der Höh sei Ehr  
*All glory be to God on high, and peace on earth from heaven.*

JOHANN SEBASTIAN BACH  
(1685-1750)

## The Word of God

*A bell is rung to begin the service.*

**HYMN 401**

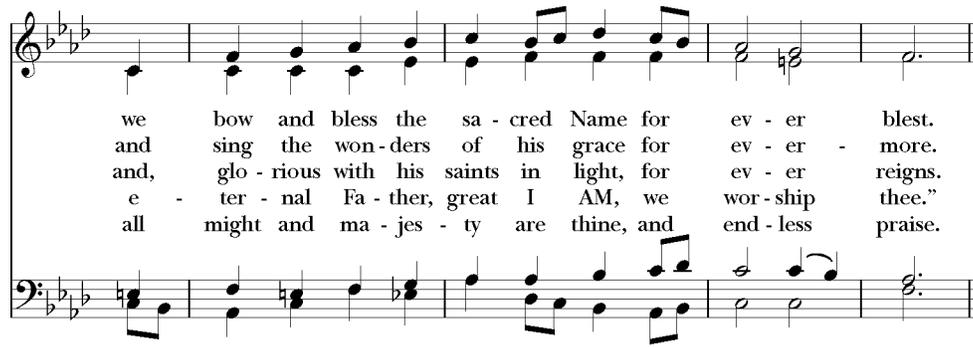
The God of Abraham praise

LEONI

1 The God of A - braham praise, who reigns en - throned a - bove;  
2 He by him - self hath sworn: we on his oath de - pend;  
3 There dwells the Lord, our King, the Lord, our Right - eous - ness,  
4 The God who reigns on high the great arch - an - gels sing,  
5 The whole tri - um - phant host give thanks to God on high;

1 An - cient of ev - er - last - ing days, and God of love;  
2 we shall, on ea - gle - wings up - borne, to heaven a - scend;  
3 tri - um - phant o'er the world and sin, the Prince of Peace;  
4 and "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly," cry, "Al - might - y King!  
5 "Hail, Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost!" they ev - er cry;

1 the Lord, the great I AM, by earth and heaven con - fessed:  
2 we shall be - hold his face, we shall his power a - dore,  
3 on Zi - on's sa - cred height his king - dom he main - tains,  
4 Who was, and is, the same, and ev - er - more shall be:  
5 hail, A - braham's Lord di - vine! With heaven our songs we raise;



we bow and bless the sa - cred Name for ev - er blest.  
 and sing the won - ders of his grace for ev - er - more.  
 and, glo - rious with his saints in light, for ev - er reigns.  
 e - ter - nal Fa - ther, great I AM, we wor - ship thee."  
 all might and ma - jes - ty are thine, and end - less praise.

**ACCLAMATION**

*Bishop* Arise, shine, for your light has come.

*People* **And the glory of the Lord has dawned upon us.**

**THE COLLECT FOR THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY**

*Bishop* The Lord be with you.

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

*Bishop* Let us pray.

*Silence is kept. The Collect is said, after which the people respond: Amen.*

**FIRST READING**

**Isaiah 40:21-31**

*Response after the reading: Thanks be to God.*

*All say together.*

**PSALM 147:1-12, 21C**

1 Hallelujah!

How good it is to sing praises to our God! \*  
how pleasant it is to honor him with praise!

2 The LORD rebuilds Jerusalem; \*  
he gathers the exiles of Israel.

3 He heals the brokenhearted \*  
and binds up their wounds.

4 He counts the number of the stars \*  
and calls them all by their names.

5 Great is our LORD and mighty in power; \*  
there is no limit to his wisdom.

6 The LORD lifts up the lowly, \*  
but casts the wicked to the ground.

7 Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; \*  
make music to our God upon the harp.

8 He covers the heavens with clouds \*  
and prepares rain for the earth;

9 He makes grass to grow upon the mountains \*  
and green plants to serve mankind.

10 He provides food for flocks and herds \*  
and for the young ravens when they cry.

11 He is not impressed by the might of a horse; \*  
he has no pleasure in the strength of a man;

12 But the LORD has pleasure in those who fear him, \*  
in those who await his gracious favor.

21 Hallelujah!

**SECOND READING**

**1 Corinthians 9:16-23**

*Response after the reading: Thanks be to God.*

*Unison or harmony*

1 In Christ there is no East or West, in  
 2 Join hands, dis - ci - ples of the faith, what -  
 3 In Christ now meet both East and West, in

him no South or North, but one great fel - low -  
 e'er your race may be! Who serves my Fa - ther  
 him meet South and North, all Christ - ly souls are

ship of love through - out the whole wide earth.  
 as his child is sure - ly kin to me.  
 one in him, through - out the whole wide earth.

✠ THE HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 1:29-39

*Response before the reading: Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

*Response after the reading: Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

THE HOMILY

*We observe a time of silence after the homily.*

The Right Rev. John Taylor

## THE NICENE CREED

**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 sin. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*We observe a time of silence between each petition, offering our own intercessions, until the leader says, "Lord hear us."*

*All*           **Lord, graciously hear us.**

*The leader adds a concluding sentence, after which all respond: Amen.*

## THE PEACE

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

*People*    **And also with you.**

*All are invited to greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## 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

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on Thee.

The darkness is no darkness with Thee, but the night is as clear as the day: the darkness and the light to Thee are both alike.

God is light and with Him is no darkness at all.

Oh let my soul live and it shall praise Thee.

For Thine is the Kingdom, the power and the glory, for evermore.

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on Thee.

TEXT: ISAIAH 26: 3A; PSALM 139: 11; I JOHN 1: 5B;  
PSALM 119: 175A; MATTHEW 6:16  
MUSIC: SAMUEL SEBASTIAN WESLEY (1810-1876)

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Bishop* The Lord be with you.

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

*Bishop* Lift up your hearts.

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

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

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

## SANCTUS S-130

FRANZ SCHUBERT (1797-1828)  
ARR. RICHARD PROULX (1937-2010)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'rand might, — Ho - ly, ho - ly,  
ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r 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 Bishop continues the prayer.*

*Bishop* we praise you and we bless you.

*People* **We praise you, we bless you,  
we give thanks to you,  
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

*The Bishop continues with the prayer, at the end of which all respond: AMEN.*

#### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*Bishop* Now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we pray together.

*People* **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, for ever and ever. Amen.**

#### **SPIRITUAL COMMUNION**

*In this time of social distancing, when we long for the physical Sacrament of Holy Communion but cannot - for safety - partake of it, it can be meaningful to pray for God's presence in our lives, express our desire for Communion, and name our hope of taking part in the Sacrament soon.*

*Bishop* If you desire to receive the Eucharist, I invite you to pray with me this prayer of Spiritual Communion.

*People* **Jesus, my savior and friend, I believe that you are truly present in the Sacrament of Holy Communion and truly present to us here and now. Since I cannot now receive you in the bread and wine, I remember and trust your words, "This is my body; this is my blood – given for you." I love you and ask you to come spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite myself entirely to you. Keep all of us strong in faith, hope, and love until we can meet at your table again. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

HYMN 567

Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old

ST. MATTHEW

1 Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old was strong to  
 2 And lo! thy touch brought life and health, gave hear - ing,  
 3 Be thou our great de - liv - erer still, thou Lord of  
 heal and save; it tri - umphed o'er dis - ease and death,  
 strength, and sight; and youth re - newed and fren - zy calmed  
 life and death; re - store and quick - en, soothe and bless,  
 o'er dark - ness and the grave. To thee they went, the  
 owned thee, the Lord of light: and now, O Lord, be  
 with thine al - might - y breath: to hands that work and  
 blind, the deaf, the pal - sied, and the lame, the lep - er  
 near to bless, al - might - y as of yore, in crowd - ed  
 eyes that see, give wis - dom's heaven - ly lore, that whole and  
 set a - part and shunned, the sick with fe - vered frame.  
 street, by rest - less couch, as by Gen - nes - aret's shore.  
 sick, and weak and strong, may praise thee ev - er - more.

THE DISMISSAL

*Bishop:* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

The Week of Sunday February 7, 2021



# EPIPHANY CONNECTIONS

Connect with us! Visit us at [tcote.org](http://tcote.org) or send us an email at [info@tcote.org](mailto:info@tcote.org) to receive the latest news.

## THIS WEEK: FEBRUARY 7- FEBRUARY 14

**Today** Morning Prayer, 10:00 a.m. (virtual service)  
Annual Meeting (following the 10 am service)

**Wed.** Bible Study, 12 p.m.

**Fri.** Private Prayer Time, Nave 1 p.m.- 5 p.m.

## ANNUAL MEETING TODAY

Join us for our Annual General Meeting today, after the 10 am service. We'll have a brief coffee hour, then transition into the important work of approving a budget, electing new Bishop's Committee members, reviewing last year, and looking with hope to the new year. See you there!

## YOUR PRESENCE IS REQUESTED

We welcome you all to view our service on Sunday through our social media platforms, Facebook and YouTube.

This week, we want to extend an extra hearty invitation to join us during our coffee hour that will lead us into our Annual Meeting. The link for the meeting will be the same zoom link used for our Sunday services. We have much to report and we want to make sure everyone has access to this meeting.

There are a couple of options available to obtain copies of the Annual Report. Hard copies will be available from Friday, they will be outside the church office for you to collect at your convenience. You will also have access to the report through our website, a link will be provided in the email sent out on Friday. Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to call the church office (818) 991-4797 or email [info@tcote.org](mailto:info@tcote.org)

## OPERATION FIREWOOD

Many homes on the Navajo and Hopi reservations lack electricity and propane. Until recently the tribes were able to use coal from the Kaenta Mine as a form of fuel to heat their homes. However, the recent closure of the Kaenta Mine has left families in northeastern Arizona looking for other sources of fuel to keep warm. For the month of February Epiphany Outreach is supporting our friends and partners on the reservation with an Operation Firewood campaign.

## FEBRUARY FOOD COLLECTION

Our food collection this month will be held on **Thursday, February 25** from **10:30am - 12:00pm** in the Church parking lot.

This month we will be supporting St Francis Episcopal Church, Simi Valley. Their Samaritan Center [samaritancentersimivalley.org](http://samaritancentersimivalley.org) supports the needy and those without housing in the area. The work they do is wonderful, their website is above so you can check them out. Their "Wish List" is below.

### Pantry Needs:

- Canned Protein (*spam, chicken & tuna*)\*
- Tuna/Chicken pouches
- Protein Bars, Drinks & Powders
- Ready to eat pasta (*e.g. Chef Boyardee, etc*)\*
- Powdered milk & shelf-stable milk\*
- Drink mix (*e.g. Emergen-C, Crystal Light etc.*)\*
- Juice pouches/boxes
- Ready to eat Chicken/ Tuna/ Salad Kits
- Peanut Butter & Jelly (*special request for strawberry & grape jelly*)
- 3 Compartment Takeout Containers - Large

*\*pop top cans preferred*

## INFORMATION ON COVID-19 VACCINATIONS

For the information on vaccination appointments and who is the county of Ventura is currently vaccinating, click on the link below.

[Vaccine Information – Appointments – Ventura County Recovers](#)

### **Prayers have been requested for:**

Dorothy, John, Jennifer, Bill, The Draper Family, Carol, Ken, David, Laurie, June, Kerrie and family, Neil and the Pennywitt family

## BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

In order to have an accurate list of names during the prayers for birthdays and anniversaries, we are now asking all prayer requests be submitted by email. Please send us the name or names and birthday (month & day) or anniversary date to [eanguiano@tcote.org](mailto:eanguiano@tcote.org). Thank you

## REFLECTION

*“Many people are so identified with the ordinary flow of their thoughts and feelings that they are not aware of the deeper well-springs of our being.”*

-Thomas Keating