

**The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
July 2, 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.

Communion: 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.

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: Available from the ushers in the back of the church.

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.

Contact: Office hours are Monday-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

Elegy

JAMES BIERY (B. 1956)

The Word of God

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

ENTRANCE HYMN

Hymn 444

Blessed be the God of Israel

THORNBURY

OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

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

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Lessons

The people sit.

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 28:5-9

A Reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

⁵The prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the LORD; ⁶and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the LORD do so; may the LORD fulfill the words that you have prophesied, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the LORD, and all the exiles. ⁷But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. ⁸The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. ⁹As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the LORD has truly sent the prophet."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Silence may follow.

PSALM: Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18

Remain seated.

**¹Your love, O LORD, for ever will I sing; *
from age to age my mouth will proclaim your faithfulness.**

**²For I am persuaded that your love is established for ever; *
you have set your faithfulness firmly in the heavens.
³**I have made a covenant with my chosen one; *
I have sworn an oath to David my servant:
⁴I will establish your line forever, *
and preserve your throne for all generations.’ ”
¹⁵Happy are the people who know the festal shout! *
they walk, O LORD, in the light of your presence.
¹⁶They rejoice daily in your Name; *
they are jubilant in your righteousness.
¹⁷For you are the glory of their strength, *
and by your favor our might is exalted.
¹⁸Truly, the LORD is our ruler; *
the Holy One of Israel is our King.****

SECOND READING: Romans 6:12-23

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

¹²Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. ¹³No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. ¹⁴For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

¹⁵What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! ¹⁶Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? ¹⁷But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, ¹⁸and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. ¹⁹I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification.

²⁰When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. ²¹So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. ²²But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. ²³For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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

Silence may follow.

SEQUENCE HYMN

All stand.

Hymn 609

Where cross the crowded ways of life

GARDINER

GOSPEL: Matthew 10:40-42

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

[Jesus said,] ⁴⁰“Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. ⁴¹Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; ⁴²and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.”

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.

Brothers and sisters, present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life. And with humble hearts, pray to the Lord, saying, “Look upon us; *answer us, O Lord our God.*”

Lord God, you have freed your Church from sin: sanctify us that we may be wholly dedicated to you and your purposes.

Look upon us;

Answer us, O Lord our God.

Incarnate God, help us to welcome Christ by welcoming the other. Give us eyes to seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving our neighbors as ourselves.

Look upon us;

Answer us, O Lord our God.

Righteous God, just as you provided a ram for Abraham, you have given us all we need. Encourage us to share what we have so that all may have their needs met.

Look upon us;

Answer us, O Lord our God.

O Lord, we put our trust in your mercy. We pray you make joyful the hearts of our neighbors—especially the displaced and sorrowful.

Look upon us;

Answer us, O Lord our God.

O Lord, answer those who cry out in their pain. Comfort those who feel forgotten. Give peace to those who are perplexed and grieving. We pray especially for those on our prayer list: Dave, Joe, and Stacey. 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.

Look upon us;

Answer us, O Lord our God.

Gracious God, your free gift is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord: Bless and keep the dying and the dead, especially Edna.

Look upon us;

Answer us, O Lord our God. 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 stands and 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

Jesu, dulcis memoria (Jesus the very thought is sweet)

GERALD NEAR (B. 1942)

PRESENTATION HYMN

All stand, as able, and sing

PENITENTIA

EDWARD DEARLE, 1880

Moderately slow

1 Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face; Here would I touch and
2 Here would I feed up - on the Bread of God; Here drink with thee the

han - dle things un - seen; Here grasp with firm - er hand e - ter - nal
roy - al Wine of heav'n; Here would I lay a - side each earth - ly

grace, And all my wea - ri - ness up - on thee lean.
load, Here taste a - fresh the calm of sin for - giv'n. A - men.

3 I have no help but thine; nor do I need
Another arm save thine to lean upon;
It is enough, my Lord, enough indeed;
My strength is in thy might, thy might alone.

4 Mine is the sin, but thine the righteousness;
Mine is the guilt, but thine the cleansing Blood.
Here is my robe, my refuge, and my peace;
Thy Blood, thy righteousness, O Lord, my God. Amen.

HORATIUS BONAR, 1855

The Great Thanksgiving

The People 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 WLP 858 *Holy, holy, holy (Folk/Pruner) (American folk melody)*

Priest and People

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

might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

The musical score is written in 6/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment on a bass clef staff. The lyrics are placed below the vocal line. The first system covers the lyrics 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and' and the second system covers 'might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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 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.

Presider and People

Blessed are you now and for ever. AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

People and Celebrant

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

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

INVITATION

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 Communion, all are welcome – even encouraged! – to come forward to receive the holy food of new and everlasting life in Jesus Christ. 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 MUSIC Contemplation

CHARLES CALLAHAN (B. 1951)

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Presider says

Let us pray.

All stand as able.

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.

BLESSING

The Presider blesses the people.

POST-COMMUNION HYMN

Hymn 718

God of our Fathers, whose almighty hand

NATIONAL HYMN

DISMISSAL

Presider Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Festival Fanfare and Prelude on “God of our Fathers”

J. WAYNE KERR (B. 1958)

All of this morning’s organ music is by American composers.

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THIS WEEK AT EPIPHANY

7/2	9:45 a.m.	Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Children in the Atrium
	10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist; in-person and live-streaming: www.tcote.org
	11:30 a.m.	Epiphany Youth Group meeting
7/3	6:30 p.m.	RDV Mon. Night Fellowship
7/5	7:00 p.m.	Lectio Divina
7/9	9:45 a.m.	Catechesis of the Good Shepherd – Children in the Atrium
	10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist; in-person and live-streaming: www.tcote.org
	11:30 a.m.	Epiphany Youth Group meeting
	11:30 a.m.	Outreach Committee meeting



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FIESTA UNDER THE VINEYARD



Our Epiphany FUNdraising event *Fiesta Under the Vineyard* is now being planned! Let's make it a great success together by asking your favorite

restaurant, sport facility, hotel, salon, or store, for a gift card, certificate, or merchandise for the live or silent auction! Donor letters and forms are available at the entrance of the church or at www.tcote.org!

CREATION CARE



"The Earth will not continue to offer its harvest, except with faithful Stewardship. We cannot say we love the land and take steps to destroy it for use by future generations" John Paul II

Congress is hard at work writing the next Farm Bill. It is necessary to rebuild our food system into one that achieves environmental stewardship, provides living wages to farmers, food workers, and ensures access to fresh and healthy food for all. Decades of misguided policies have led to a food system that is wreaking havoc on independent farmers, rural communities, our health, and the environment. Ensuring that farmland is resilient to the impacts of climate change is vital to securing the future of our food supply.

Five Ways the 2023 Farm Bill could shape climate policy by:

- Incentivizing sustainable agriculture
- Enabling regional-specific climate decision making
- Tackling food waste emissions
- Promoting renewable energy and bioenergy in agriculture
- Promoting equity in agriculture

Please tell your Congressperson to advocate for a fair Farm Bill for all.

MINISTRIES



The **Music Ministry** at The Church of the Epiphany offers a variety of opportunities for participation and welcomes all. Join one of our choirs or the

Epiphany Music Guild – which brings great musical events to our space year after year. Contact: Jay Wilcox 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



Each week, talented and created 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



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 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Contact: Karen James kjames@tcote.org

PFLAG 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



Wherever and however you are experiencing grief, we invite you to come and share your story in a safe and supportive space. A **grief shared** meets on the fourth Tuesday of every month from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in Ascension Chapel. Contact: Laurie Burns lburns@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 Wed. at 7:00 p.m. Link at www.tcote.org or contact: Barry Burns burnscreative@gmail.com



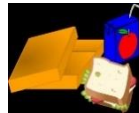
Education for Ministry (EfM) is a four-year program of theological education

designed for lay people who are interested in deepening their understanding of the Christian faith. Meetings are on every other Monday night September - May from 7:00-9:00 p.m. Contact: Elizabeth Bryant e.vana.bryant@gmail.com



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 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 yvonnlux@gmail.com

GIVE



Your ongoing financial support allows us to embrace and engage in the mission and ministry of The Church of the Epiphany. You may give at www.tcote.org/give or scan the QR code to the left.

PRAYERS

Please pray for those on our Parish Prayer List:
Dave C., Joe, and Stacey

Please pray for those on our Long-Term Parish Prayer list: Bishop Michael Curry, Kay, Boyd, Kristi, Neil and Sarah, Tommy, Donna, Byron and Olivia, Susan, Arturo, Judith, Matthew, Joann, Kathy, Ronnie, Mario, Curt, Jana, Davis, Carol, Cynthia, Lynn, Kim, Juan Carlos, the Rowe family and baby Noah, Jasmine

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Edna.

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

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