

THE CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY

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

The Last Sunday after the Epiphany February 27, 2022

Welcome to the Church of the Epiphany! We are delighted you have come to worship with us today. We are part of the Episcopal Church; if you are unfamiliar with our rituals and customs, just be present with this ancient liturgy and let the rest of the congregation carry you in worship. Thanks for joining us today!

If you are interested in learning more about our church, please fill out the information card and place it in 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!

In case you need one, Assisted Listening Devices are available from the ushers in the back of the Church.

The Holy Eucharist

PRELUDE

Prelude on "Wareham"

HEALEY WILLAN (1880-1968)

The Word of God

At the sound of the bell, all stand and sing

ENTRANCE HYMN

Hymn 135

Songs of thankfulness and praise

SALZBURG

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

COLLECT FOR PURITY

The Celebrant 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*.

SONG OF PRAISE

Hymn 421

All glory be to God on high

ALLEIN GOTT IN DER HÖH



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Celebrant

Let us pray.

O God, who before the passion of your only-begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

The Lessons

All sit for the readings.

FIRST READING: Exodus 34:29-35

A Reading from the book of Exodus.

²⁹Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. ³⁰When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. ³¹But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. ³²Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. ³³When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; ³⁴but whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, ³⁵the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

All remain seated and say together

PSALM: Psalm 99

'The LORD is King;
let the people tremble; *
he is enthroned upon the cherubim;
let the earth shake.

'The LORD is great in Zion; *
he is high above all peoples.

'Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; *
he is the Holy One.

'"O mighty King, lover of justice,
you have established equity; *
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob."

'Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God
and fall down before his footstool; *
he is the Holy One.

6Moses and Aaron among his priests,
and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, *
they called upon the LORD, and he answered them.

7He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; *
they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.

8O LORD our God, you answered them indeed; *
you were a God who forgave them,
yet punished them for their evil deeds.

9Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God
and worship him upon his holy hill; *
for the LORD our God is the Holy One.

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 3:12--4:2

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

¹²Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, ¹³not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. ¹⁴But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. ¹⁵Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; ¹⁶but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. ¹⁷Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. ¹⁸And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.

^{4:1}Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. ²We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

All stand and sing

SEQUENCE HYMN

Hymn 129

Christ upon the mountain peak

MOWSLEY

GOSPEL: Luke 9:28-36 [37-43a]

All stand.

Celebrant

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

People

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

²⁸Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. ²⁹And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³⁰Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. ³¹They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. ³²Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. ³³Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you,

one for Moses, and one for Elijah"—not knowing what he said. ³⁴While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. ³⁵Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" ³⁶When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen. [

³⁷On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. ³⁸Just then a man from the crowd shouted, "Teacher, I beg you to look at my son; he is my only child. ³⁹Suddenly a spirit seizes him, and all at once he shrieks. It convulses him until he foams at the mouth; it mauls him and will scarcely leave him. ⁴⁰I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not." ⁴¹Jesus answered, "You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here." ⁴²While he was coming, the demon dashed him to the ground in convulsions. But Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, healed the boy, and gave him back to his father. ^{43a}And all were astounded at the greatness of God.]

Celebrant

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

All sit for the Homily

THE HOMILY

The Reverend Jamie Barnett

All stand and say together

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 THE PEOPLE

All remain standing.

Let us pray that the glory of the Lord may shine on the Church and on the world.

On the heights of worship and in the duties of daily life, keep the Church ever faithful...Grant that we, his disciples at this present time, may share the awesome joy which the first disciples felt in the company of their Lord.

Leader:

Lord, in your mercy,

All:

Hear our prayer.

Give to all in authority and power the desire to stand aside for the demands of their position and reflect quietly about the responsibility which they bear...may the wisdom and holiness of the past prevail for the guidance of the world today.

Leader:

Lord, in your mercy,

All:

Hear our prayer.

Day by day, in our homes and in our work, grant us the vision of glory in simple things around use...Teach us to know that in every situation it is good to be there because the Lord is with us.

Leader:

Lord, in your mercy,

All:

Hear our prayer.

Touch with your healing power the sick and afflicted and give strength to those who minister to them...Give times of refreshment and peace to those whose lives seem too full for them to find space for the things of the spirit.

Leader:

Lord, in your mercy,

All:

Hear our prayer.

We pray for the departed, that in the company of patriarchs and profits and all the saints, they may enter into eternal life...May the light of heaven shine for ever upon them.

Leader:

Lord, in your mercy,

All:

Hear our prayer.

We offer our prayers in the name of Christ the King of Glory. Amen.

The Celebrant may add a concluding Collect.

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Celebrant 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 Celebrant concludes with an absolution

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

Celebrant

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And also with you.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER FOR BIRTHDAYS

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

Jesus, take us to the mountain

(sung by the Parish Choir)

Jesus, take us to the mountain, where with Peter, James, and John, we are dazzled by your glory, light as blinding as the sun. There prepare us for the night by the vision of that sight.

What do you want us to see there, that your close companions saw? Your divinity revealed there fills us with the selfsame awe. Clothed in flesh like ours you go matched to meet our deadliest foe.

What do you want us to hear there, that your dear disciples heard? Once again the Voice from heaven says of the Incarnate Word: "Listen, listen, everyone, this is my beloved Son!"

Take us to that other mountain where we see you glorified, where you shouted, "It is finished!" where for all the world you died. Hear the stunned centurion: "Truly this was God's own Son!"

We who have beheld your glory, risen and ascended Lord, cannot help but tell the story, all that we have seen and heard; say with Peter, James, and John: "You are God's beloved Son!"

TEXT: JAROSLAV J. VAJDA (1919-2008)
MUSIC: CARL SCHALK (1929-2021)

PRESENTATION HYMN

Hymn 137

O wondrous type, O vision fair

WAREHAM

The Great Thanksgiving

The People remain standing.

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Celebrant

Lift up your hearts.

People

We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant 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.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

Celebrant and People

RICHARD PROULX (1937-2010)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people remain standing or may kneel, as the Celebrant continues the prayer

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN*.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

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,
the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

THE FRACTION ANTHEM

Hymn 324, verse 4 only

Let all mortal flesh keep silence

PICARDY

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

The Celebrant says

This is Christ's banquet. It is made ready for those who love God and 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.

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

All are welcome and encouraged to come forward to receive the holy food of new and everlasting life in Jesus Christ. As you come forward, the bread will be placed in your hand for you to consume. Those who prefer not to receive the Sacrament may receive a blessing or prayer (please cross your arms across your chest). If you would like to receive the Sacrament and mobility is an issue, please let an usher know so that Communion may be brought to you.

COMMUNION HYMN



POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son 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 Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

The Celebrant blesses the people, saying

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen*.

POST-COMMUNION HYMN

Hymn 347

God forth for God; go to the world in peace

DISMISSAL

Celebrant

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Salzburg

GERALD NEAR (B. 1942)

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EPIPHANY CONNECTIONS

THIS WEEK AT EPIPHANY

	2/27	9:45 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Holy Eucharist (In-person and livestreaming@tcote.org)
		11:00 a.m.	Epiphany Youth Group (EYG)
	2/28	7:00 p.m.	Education for Ministry (EfM)
	3/2	12:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Ash Wednesday Service Ash Wednesday Service
	3/3	6:30 p.m. 7:45 p.m.	Schola rehearsal Parish Choir rehearsal
	3/6	9:45 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Holy Eucharist (In-person and livestreaming@tcote.org)
		11:30 a.m.	Epiphany Youth Group (EYG)

COVID-19 UPDATE

Masks are required at church services regardless of vaccination status. Surgical, N95 or KN95 mask are strongly recommended.

MARDI GRAS/ SHROVE TUESDAY CELEBRATION

Join us for Mardi Gras/ Shrove Tuesday Celebration and Holy Family Services Fundraiser on Tuesday, March 1, 2022, from 5:00 pm until 6:30 pm. We are celebrating in the Founders Room, outside, on the patio, and under the lights. Dress for warmth and be prepared to have a lot of fun. Please email membership@reddoorvineyard.org to RSVP.

Suggested donation \$10.

This is an adults only event.

LENTEN STUDY GROUP BEGINS

Wednesday, March 9th at 6:00. Our text will be Lent and Easter Wisdom from Henri J. M. Nouwen, by Judy Bauer.

You can order your book from Amazon.

If you need assistance, please email Rev. Jamie.

Please RSVP to RSVP@tcote.org.

JOIN THE WOMEN'S INTERFAITH NETWORK (WIN) IN SUPPORTING JAMES' STOREHOUSE

We are officially announcing Beautiful YOU 2022! Beautiful YOU is a free prom and professional preparation event for girls ages 15-22 years old. All participants will receive a prom gown and shoes, full makeovers, and more! We need prom gowns and shoes, spring dresses, and business casual attire for teen girls and young women. We believe each of every one of these girls are so worthy and loved! The collection will take place from March 1st until March 16th, and the young women will "shop" in April. Please contact Aggie Winston at (805) 807-5001 if you would like to participate. More information at: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0e48a5af22ab9-beautiful

CROP WALK 2022, SUNDAY, MARCH 6

The Crop Hunger Walk, sponsored by Church World Service, has a goal of ending hunger and poverty here and abroad. It will be held at California Lutheran University on Sunday, March 6th. Registration begins at 11:30 a.m. Participants are encouraged to recruit friends and neighbors to support their walk. Anyone can make a contribution. Jim Wilson will be at a table outside of church for the weeks leading up to it to accept donations and registration.

EPIPHANY PULSE ANNOUNCEMENT

To avoid a scheduling conflict with the Mardi Gras/Shrove Tuesday Celebration, the Epiphany Pulse Group will meet on the 2nd Tuesday in March only: March 8, 2022, beginning at 6:00 p.m. Here's the link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88079686223?pwd=U1loNjI wTHJ6ZEIvK1UwaVM4WkU3Zz09

LENTEN M&M MISSION AND MINISTRY COLLECTION

The M&M's are back!

Collect your tube of M&M's this Sunday after the service. Eat the contents before Ash Wednesday then fill the tube during Lent with coins or checks! Return the filled tube on Palm Sunday for the in-gathering. All proceeds will go to UTO United Thank Offering, the oldest Episcopal charity that funds projects all around the globe.

https://www.episcopalchurch.org/ministries/united-thank-offering/

THANK YOU FROM NAVAJOLAND

On behalf of the Episcopal Church in NAVAJOLAND we'd like to express our deepest gratitude to the parishioners and outreach teams at Church of the Epiphany, St.Patrick's and Trinity Episcopal for the generous donation of \$3,776.00 that will help provide firewood and fuel for the neediest elders and families on the Navajo reservation.

Hózhó. Walk in Peace and Beauty dear neighbors!

Sally Primm & David Thomson Co-chairs, Friends of Navajoland

PRAYERS



Please pray for those on our Parish Prayer List: Sharon Schneider and family, The Wilson family, Michelle, Mark, Dave, Steve, Donna, Jacky and Harris

Please pray for those on our Long-Term Parish Prayer list: Sarah, Maria, Ken, Pam, Neil, Olivia, Jan Barnes, Bob, Meg and Susan

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Elvira Flores Romero and of those who have died from COVID-19.

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/.

Please note: 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 stated otherwise.