

The Episcopal Church of Agoura, Oak Park and Westlake Village

THE CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY

The Sixth Sunday after Pentecost July 17, 2022, 10:00 a.m.

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.

PRELUDE

Chorale Prelude on Slane

JAY WILCOX (B. 1954)

The Word of God

ENTRANCE RITE

OPENING ACCLAMATION

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People

Glory to God for ever and ever.

ENTRANCE HYMN

Hymn 440

Blessed Jesus, at thy word

LIEBSTER JESU

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Celebrant

Let us pray.

Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

The Lessons

FIRST READING: Amos 8:1-12

The people sit.

A Reading from the book of the prophet Amos.

¹This is what the Lord GOD showed me—a basket of summer fruit. ²He said, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A basket of summer fruit." Then the LORD said to me,

"The end has come upon my people Israel;

I will never again pass them by.

The songs of the temple shall become wailings in that day," says the Lord GoD;

the dead bodies shall be many,
cast out in every place. Be silent!"

⁴Hear this, you that trample on the needy, and bring to ruin the poor of the land,
⁵saying, "When will the new moon be over so that we may sell grain; and the sabbath, so that we may offer wheat for sale?

We will make the ephah small and the shekel great, and practice deceit with false balances,
⁶buying the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals, and selling the sweepings of the wheat."

⁷The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob:
Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.
⁸Shall not the land tremble on this account, and everyone mourn who lives in it,
and all of it rise like the Nile,
and be tossed about and sink again, like the Nile of Egypt?

On that day, says the Lord GOD,

I will make the sun go down at noon,
and darken the earth in broad daylight.

I will turn your feasts into mourning,

and all your songs into lamentation;

I will bring sackcloth on all loins,

and baldness on every head;

I will make it like the mourning for an only son,

and the end of it like a bitter day.

The time is surely coming, says the Lord GOD, when I will send a famine on the land; not a famine of bread, or a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the LORD.
They shall wander from sea to sea, and from north to east;
they shall run to and fro, seeking the word of the LORD, but they shall not find it.

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

Silence may follow.

PSALM: Psalm 52

Remain seated.

1You tyrant, why do you boast of wickedness * against the godly all day long? ²You plot ruin; your tongue is like a sharpened razor, * O worker of deception. ³You love evil more than good * and lying more than speaking the truth. ⁴You love all words that hurt, * O you deceitful tongue. ⁵Oh, that God would demolish you utterly, * topple you, and snatch you from your dwelling, and root you out of the land of the living! ⁶The righteous shall see and tremble, * and they shall laugh at him, saying, 7"This is the one who did not take God for a refuge, * but trusted in great wealth and relied upon wickedness." ⁸But I am like a green olive tree in the house of God; *

and declare the goodness of your Name in the presence of the godly.

SECOND READING: Colossians 1:15-28

The people sit.

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

I trust in the mercy of God for ever and ever. ⁹I will give you thanks for what you have done *

¹⁵[Jesus] is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; ¹⁶ for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

²¹And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, ²²he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him—²³provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven. I, Paul, became a servant of this gospel.

²⁴I am now rejoicing in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am completing what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church. ²⁵I became its servant according to God's commission that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, ²⁶the mystery that has been hidden throughout the ages and generations but has now been revealed to his saints. ²⁷To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. ²⁸It is he whom we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone in all wisdom, so that we may present everyone mature in Christ.

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

People

SEQUENCE HYMN

All stand.

Hymn 488

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart

SLANE

GOSPEL: Luke 10:38-42

Deacon

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

People

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

³⁸As [Jesus and his disciples] went on their way, he entered a village where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. ³⁹She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. ⁴⁰But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." ⁴¹But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; ⁴²there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

Deacon

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

Let us draw near to God, and pray for the Church and the world.

Keep the Church steadfast in faith, failing neither in worship of her Lord nor in service to his people...Bring all Christian people to sit at his feet and hear his word.

Lord, hear us.

Lord graciously hear us.

We pray for the people of the world who are occupied in many things and deaf to the voice of calm...Bless those who serve others in their material needs and those who serve them through prayer.

Lord, hear us.

Lord graciously hear us.

Make our homes places of welcome where those who enter may find rest and refreshment. In our daily work, grant us space to be still and know the presence of the Lord.

Lord, hear us.

Lord graciously hear us.

Look, with compassion on all who are stressed and wearied by the pressure of their lives... Bring healing and renewal to those who have been broken by overwork.

Lord, hear us.

Lord graciously hear us.

Please pray for those on our Parish Prayer List: Rick, Warren, Noah, Cathy, Toni, Deb, Becky, Roger, Jackie, Kristi, Ruben, Barbara, Bob, Donna, Ken, Neil, Olivia, Byron, Sarah, Susan, John, Lorraine, and Caity.

Lord, hear us.

Lord graciously hear us.

Receive in mercy the departed who have finished their work in this world, especially Boston, William and Sharon... Grant rest to the weary and joy to the troubled, as they come into the eternal presence of their Lord.

Lord, hear us.

Lord graciously hear us.

May our prayers be accepted through Christ in whom we find the better part. Amen.

Lord, hear us.

Lord graciously hear us.

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 Priest 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

All stand.

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 life; through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.

The Holy Communion

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

The Call (sung by the Summer Choir)

such a Way as gives us breath: such a Truth as ends all strife: such a Life as killeth death.

Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength: such a Light as shows a Feast: such a Feast as mends in length: such a Strength as makes his guest.

Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart: such a Joy as none can move: such a Love as none can part: such a Heart as joys in love.

TEXT: GEORGE HERBERT (1593-1633) MUSIC: JAY WILCOX (B. 1954

PRESENTATION HYMN

All stand. Hymn 711

Seek ye first the kingdom of God

SEEK YE FIRST

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 our thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels

in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity,

SANCTUS WLP 858 Holy, holy, holy (Folk/Pruner) (American folk melody) Celebrant and People



The Celebrant continues

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God.

Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you. On the night before he died for us. Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made. In the fullness of time bring us, and] all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. AMEN.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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

This is the true bread which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world. Whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

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.

Celebrant

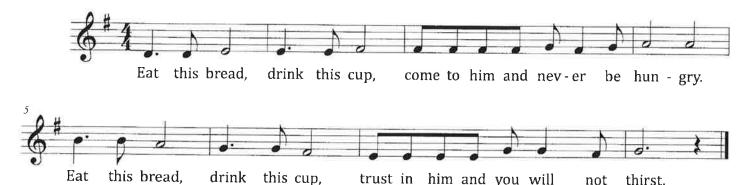
This is Christ's Banquet. It is made ready for those who love God, and for those who want to love God more. So, come, you who have much faith and you who have little, you who have been here often, and you who have not been here long. You who have tried to follow Jesus, and you who have failed. Come, 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 to the Celebrant when the ushers indicate, 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 for you into the wine 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



POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant 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 Priest blesses the people, saying

The Wisdom of God the Love of God and the Grace of God strengthen you to be Christ's hands and heart in this world, in the name of the Holy Trinity. *Amen*.

POST-COMMUNION HYMN

Hymn 467

Sing, my soul, his wondrous love

ST. BEES

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Wir danken dir, Herr Jesu Christ (We thank you, Lord Jesus Christ)

WILHELM FRIEDEMANN BACH (1710-1784)

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Concerns? Questions? Suggestions? Let us know! Please do not hesitate to contact any of our staff or our Priest-in-Charge, the Rev. Jamie Barnett. We look forward to hearing from you.

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EPIPHANY CONNECTIONS

THIS WEEK AT EPIPHANY

7/17 9:00 a.m. Summer Choir (nave)
9:45 a.m. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (In-person and livestreaming @tcote.org)

7/19 6:30 p.m. Book Group (Chapel) Every Tuesday

7/24 10:00 a.m. Children in Church

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (In-person and

livestreaming @tcote.org)

SERVICES AVAILABLE ON ZOOM AGAIN!

No access to a computer and want to worship with us on Sunday? No problem!

Dial the number below to listen to our Sunday Service.

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CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

We have revised the summer schedule for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd as follows: The first three Sundays of each month, we will meet in the Atrium. The fourth Sunday of each month, the children will be in church; (we encourage the children to sit in the front pews so that they can see in the church what they have learned and experienced in the Atrium.

EPIPHANY YOUTH GROUP (EYG)

Epiphany Youth Group will take a summer break and will reconvene on August 21st.

BOOK STUDY GROUP

Join us for a book study based on <u>Atlas of the Heart</u> by Brené Brown.

When: Tuesdays through TBD at 6:30 PM

Where: The Chapel at Epiphany

What: Whether or not you have read the book or missed other sessions, matters not! You are welcome to join us.

EPIPHANY PULSE BREAK

The Epiphany Pulse group will take a pause during the time our Book Club meets (every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. in the chapel). The Pulse group will resume after Book Club ends and/or takes a pause. It is our hope that the rich experience and deep conversations we have had reading "Atlas of the Heart" by Brene Brown will continue once Epiphany Pulse resumes.

SUMMER CHOIR

A future Summer Choir opportunity will be on Sunday, Sunday, August 7. If you are interested in participating, just join us at 9 a.m. on that Sunday to learn an easy anthem for use in that morning's service.

For more information, please contact Jay at jwilcox@tcote.org.

HARBOR HOUSE

Thanks to all who provided lunches for Harbor House families in June. With school out there is extra need. Our July date is July 19 and we need 7 volunteers to each make 10 lunches and deliver them to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church between 4:00 and 4:30 PM. The brown bag lunches should include a turkey, ham or peanut butter and jelly sandwich. Extras such as cheese sticks and granola bars are appreciated. Fruit and drinks should be packaged separately from the bagged lunches. If you can help email: yvonnelux@gmail.com. Holy Trinity Lutheran Church is at the corner of Los Arboles and Mt. Clef. Drop off is in the back parking lot.

SAVE THE DATE

An Evening of Celebration Fun, Fellowship, and Fundraising September 24, 2022 More info to follow...

MINISTRY FAIR

Mark your calendars for our 2022 Ministry Fair, which will take place on **Sunday**, **August 28** right after church. Epiphany is blessed to have a wide variety of ministries and activities in which to become involved, and each of them would welcome your participation! More details will follow as the date approaches. Questions? Call Kerrie Sadler at 818-292-3858.

PRAYERS



Please pray for those on our Parish Prayer List: Rick, Warren, Noah, Cathy, Toni, Deb, Becky, Roger, and Jackie, Kristi and Ruben.

Please pray for those on our Long-Term Parish Prayer list: Barbara, Bob, Donna, Ken, Neil, Olivia and Byron, Sarah, Susan, John, Lorraine, and Caity.

Please pray for peace and an end to suffering

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.