



# THE CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY

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

The Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

October 17, 2021

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 Celebration of the Holy Eucharist

PRELUDE

Prélude en Fa

THÉODORE DUBOIS (1837-1924)

## The Word of God

*At the sound of the bell, all stand and sing*

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN-HYMN 583** O holy city, seen of John

MORNING SONG

### ACCLAMATION

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

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

### COLLECT OF PURITY

*Celebrant* 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.

*People* **Amen.**

### GLORIA: HYMNAL S-280

ROBERT POWELL (B. 1932)



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* Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

*All:* **Amen.**

*All sit for the readings.*

#### FIRST READING

Isaiah 53: 4-12

*Bible, p. 673*

*After the reading:*

*Reader:* The word of the Lord.

*All:* **Thanks be to God.**

*All remain seated and say together*

#### PSALM 91: 9-16

- 9 Because you have made the Lord your refuge, \*  
and the Most High your habitation,  
10 There shall no evil happen to you, \*  
neither shall any plague come near your dwelling.  
11 For he shall give his angels charge over you, \*  
to keep you in all your ways.  
12 They shall bear you in their hands, \*  
lest you dash your foot against a stone.

- 13 You shall tread upon the lion and adder; \*  
 you shall trample the young lion and the serpent under your feet.
- 14 Because he is bound to me in love,  
 therefore will I deliver him; \*  
 I will protect him, because he knows my Name.
- 15 He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; \*  
 I am with him in trouble;  
 I will rescue him and bring him to honor.
- 16 With long life will I satisfy him, \*  
 and show him my salvation.

**SECOND READING**

Hebrews 5: 1-10

*Bible, p. 1361*

*After the reading:*

*Reader:* The word of the Lord.

*All:* **Thanks be to God.**

**SEQUENCE HYMN-HYMN 660**

O Master, let me walk with thee

MARYTON

**✠ THE HOLY GOSPEL**

Mark 10: 35-45

*Bible, p. 1192*

*Priest:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ, according to Mark.

*All:* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

*Priest:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*All:* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*All sit for*

**THE HOMILY**

The Rev. Jamie Barnett

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

*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 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.**

Let us pray for right judgement and good desires in the Church and in the world.

Give to the servant Church grace to follow the example of her Lord who came into the world to serve...  
Shield her ministers from pride of place and desire for power, so that when they lead it shall be with humility and love.

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

Grant that those in authority shall act not as tyrants but with care for the rights of those they govern ...  
Draw the nations of the world together in the love of peace and the ending of old rivalries.

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

Bless us, our families, friends and neighbors, with the spirit of love that seeks no advantage but only the good of all...  
Bless with the same spirit those who make decisions for this community.

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

Have mercy on all who suffer under tyranny, the nations governed by fear, those who are unjustly treated in their work or in their homes...  
Forgive those who are locked in the struggle for power and bring them to a better understanding.

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

We give thanks for the departed who have passed from the temptations and dangers of this world...  
May they be forever joyful in the place prepared for them in glory.

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

We offer our prayers through Christ who gave his life for the ransom of many.

*All:*            **Amen.**

*After the final petition, the leader adds a concluding sentence, after which all respond: Amen.*

## THE CONFESSION OF SIN

*Priest* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence is kept.*

*All* **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 concludes with an absolution, after which all respond: Amen.*

## THE PEACE

*Priest* 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.*

## 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

Allegretto

CÉSAR FRANCK (1822-1890)

PRESENTATION HYMN-HYMN 348 Lord, we have come at your own invitation

O QUANTA QUALIA

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Book of Common Prayer, p. 361*

*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.**

*The priest continues with the prayer.*

SANCTUS S-130

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

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

10 ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, heav-en and earth are full,

20 full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na

30 in the high - est. Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

40 Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The people remain standing or may kneel, as the priest continues the prayer.*

*Priest* Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*People* **Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

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

*All say together*

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**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.**

**THE FRACTION**

*Priest* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

**INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

*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.

**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 MUSIC**

*All are invited to sing:*

In the Lord, I'll be ev - er thank-ful, in the Lord, I will re-

4  
joice! Look to God, do not be a - fraid; lift up your voi - ces, the Lord is

8  
near; lift up your voi - ces, the Lord is near.

*All stand for the*

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

*Priest* Let us pray.

*People* **Almighty and everliving God,  
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out  
to do the work you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you  
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

**THE BLESSING**

*The priest gives a blessing*

*All sing*

**CLOSING HYMN- HYMN 347** Go forth for God; go to the world in peace

LITTON

**THE DISMISSAL**

*Priest* Alleluia, alleluia. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

**POSTLUDE**

Choral - Offertoire

GABRIEL PIERNÉ (1863-1937)

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of her daughter, Lila Ashley Barnett.

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Week of Sunday October 17, 2021

# EPIPHANY CONNECTIONS

## THIS WEEK AT EPIPHANY

- 10/17 9:00 a.m. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (Zoom)  
9:45 a.m. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (Atrium – Room 2 Mitchel Hall)  
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (Nave and [tcote.org](http://tcote.org))  
11:30 a.m. Epiphany Youth Group (EYG)
- 10/18 7:00 p.m. Education for Ministry (EfM)
- 10/20 7:00 p.m. Lectio Divina (Zoom)
- 10/21 6:30 p.m. Schola rehearsal  
7:45 p.m. Parish Choir rehearsal
- 10/24 9:00 a.m. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (Zoom)  
9:45 a.m. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (Atrium – Room 2 Mitchel Hall)  
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist (Nave and [tcote.org](http://tcote.org))  
11:30 a.m. Epiphany Youth Group (EYG)  
4:00 p.m. Trio Céleste Concert

## TRIO CÉLESTE IN CONCERT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24, AT 4 P.M.

**Trio Céleste** returns to the Church of the Epiphany in a concert to benefit the Epiphany Music Guild. The program will include selections from Debussy's *Pelléas et Mélisande* arranged for piano trio by Henri Mouton, Rachmaninov's lyrical *Trio élégiaque* No. 1 in G minor, and Beethoven's majestic *Piano Trio No. 7 in Bb Major*, Op. 97, the "Archduke" Trio. An outdoor reception at which you can meet the artists will follow the concert. Admission is free to members of the EMG; suggested donations for non-members are \$25 for adults, \$15 for seniors (65+), and \$5 for students.

## BLESSING OF THE COSTUMES SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31<sup>ST</sup>, ALL HALLOWS EVE, AT 10 A.M.

We invite all children and those young at heart to come in costume that day to have a special blessing! There may well be candy!

## ALL SAINTS' DAY MEMORIAL CARDS



In loving remembrance of family and friends, we invite you to record the names of the departed on one of the memorial cards we have made available. We will collect the cards and place them on the altar during our All Saints' service on November 7. The names will not be read; however, writing them and remembering is a beautiful spiritual practice that gives an opportunity to feel close to those whom we no longer see.

If you know someone who is not able to attend our in-person worship, please take a card for them, or they can email the names to Karen James ([kjames@tcote.org](mailto:kjames@tcote.org)) and a card will be made. We hope you will take time to engage in this prayerful activity.

## 2022 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN BEGINS: SHARING OUR TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE

Our 2022 Stewardship Campaign is about to launch! **Jim Wilson** will kick off our series of weekly speakers this Sunday. Jim and his wife, Betty, have been dedicated members of Epiphany for more than 10 years, contributing their time, their talent, and their treasure generously to our church in many meaningful ways. Watch for important information to arrive in your mailbox next week. If you have not yet updated your address or other contact information in our new Breeze database, this would be an excellent time to do so. Simply go to [tcote.org/parish-directory/](http://tcote.org/parish-directory/) and follow the directions on that page. Thank you for being part of our Epiphany family!

*Kerrie Sadler, 2022 Stewardship Campaign Chair*

## ABOUT THE CHOIRS

Two recent questions are: why we don't have a choir singing every week, and why there are so few singers?

Because of the delta variant of COVID-19, a number of our singers are reluctant to return at this time. In the meantime, a faithful remnant carries on our choral tradition. In addition, Bishop Taylor has asked that churches refrain from having choirs involving children until such time as children can be vaccinated. Since the Choristers sang one Sunday a month, that leaves us, at present, with one Sunday each month without a choir. We hope this ends soon, and we thank you for your support and encouragement!

## VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT: "ALL" (ACOLYTES, LAY READERS, AND LAY EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS)

*Our worship relies on volunteers to fill key roles. Perhaps you are being called to support Jamie in the leading of our communal worship. There are opportunities for you to help!*

**Acolytes** assist with the service by lighting candles before the service, by carrying the torches (candles) and the processional cross, by receiving the congregation's offerings at the end of the offertory, and by performing other needed duties. Youth Acolytes is an important way that young people can help lead our worship. Those 6<sup>th</sup> grade/11 years old (or older) are invited to join. If you are past high school age, you can be a pioneer in the new ministry of Adult Acolytes. Training will be necessary before serving and will be provided. If you are interested in this ministry, please speak with Jamie or Laurie Burns.

Our **Lay readers** (also called Lectors) read the Old Testament and New Testament Lessons, lead the reading of the Psalm by the congregation, (*cont'd next column*)

and lead us in intercessory prayer. Individuals need to be trained before the first time they read. If you are interested in this ministry, please speak with Jay.

**Lay Eucharistic Ministers** help the priest during communion by administering the chalice to members of the congregation. If you are interested in this ministry, please speak with Jamie. *NOTE: Because of COVID, we are not administering the chalice at the present time, but we will need volunteers when the administration of wine resumes.*

## DONATE ALTAR FLOWERS

For any Sunday, you can dedicate a beautiful arrangement by members of our Flower Guild as a memorial of thanksgiving, in memory of, or in honor of a loved one.

If you would like to donate flowers for the altar, please notify the church office at least a week in advance of the Sunday you wish to sponsor. Flower donation cards are available in the pews and can be dropped off in the office or you can call the church office at (818) 991-4797.

Your donations, remembrances, and thanksgivings will be acknowledged in the Sunday bulletin stating for whom they are intended and by whom they are donated. Schedule your donation soon!

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS TO THE ANIMAL MARKETPLACE 2021!

Thank you, Church of the Epiphany! Your generosity enabled us to exceed our \$600 goal by \$55—almost 10%! The \$655 raised will allow us to purchase 3 goats, 3 cow shares, 4 chicken flock shares and 6 pig shares through the Episcopal Relief and Development Gifts for Life program. Your generosity will transform the lives of those in need!

## PRAYERS

**Please pray for those on our Parish Prayer List:**

**Please pray for those on our Long-Term Parish Prayer list:** Maria and the Blackwood Family, Ken, Pam, Donna, Neil, Olivia, Jan Barnes, Bob, Meg, Stella

**Please pray for the repose of the souls** of all 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/](http://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.*

