



THE CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY

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

The Last Sunday after Pentecost
November 21, 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

Dialogue from Messe pour les Paroisses:
"Lord God, heavenly King"

FRANÇOIS COUPERIN (1668-1733))

The Word of God

At the sound of the bell, all stand and sing

PROCESSIONAL HYMN-HYMN 450

All hail the power of Jesus' Name!

CORONATION

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

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)

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you

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, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

All: **Amen.**

All sit for the readings.

FIRST READING

Daniel 7: 9-10, 13-14

Bible, p. 816

After the reading:

Reader: The word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

All remain seated and say together

PSALM 93

- 1 The LORD is King;
he has put on splendid apparel; *
the LORD has put on his apparel
and girded himself with strength.
- 2 He has made the whole world so sure *
that it cannot be moved;
- 3 Ever since the world began, your throne has been established; *
you are from everlasting.

- 4 The waters have lifted up, O LORD,
the waters have lifted up their voice; *
the waters have lifted up their pounding waves.
- 5 Mightier than the sound of many waters,
mightier than the breakers of the sea, *
mightier is the LORD who dwells on high.
- 6 Your testimonies are very sure, *
and holiness adorns your house, O LORD,
for ever and for evermore.

SECOND READING

Revelation 1: 4b-8

Bible, p. 1388

After the reading:

Reader: The word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN-HYMN 598 Lord Christ, when first thou cam'st to earth

MIT FREUDEN ZART

✠ **THE HOLY GOSPEL**

John 18: 33-37

Bible, p. 1257

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

Let us pray for God's peace in the Church and in the world.

Keep the Church vigilant against error and false doctrine...

As we give thanks for our places of worship, help us to remember that all earthly things will pass away...

Teach us to the faithful in the Temple of the Spirit.

Leader: Lord hear us,

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

Have mercy on the world where nation rises against nation and the hearts of many are torn with anger...

Bring the blessings of peace where there is war and violence...

Protect your people from those who by abuse of power would deceive and lead astray those they govern.

Leader: Lord hear us,

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

Grant clear sight to us, to our families, friends and neighbors, that we may discern the truth and not fall into false ways...

Give integrity and sureness of purpose to those who hold authority in this community.

Leader: Lord hear us,

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

Visit and relieve all who are suffering from natural disasters, the victims of famine and the victims of human aggression...

Lead back into the right way all who have been brought to sorrow by following false leaders.

Leader: Lord hear us,

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

We pray for those who have come to the end of life in this world...

Grant them peace in the world where there is no strife or danger, but joy that will not pass away.

Leader: Lord hear us,

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

We offer our prayer through Christ, in whose name alone we put our trust.

All: **Amen.**

The celebrant may add a concluding collect here, 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

God omnipotent reigneth

(SUNG BY THE PARISH CHOIR)

God omnipotent reigneth, clad in apparel bright;
sovereign King he remaineth, girded about with might;
by him the world alone immutably was grounded;
in heaven hath he his throne, from everlasting founded.

Ocean billow and breaker uplift the voice of pride;
but their mightier Maker governeth wind and tide.
His laws and sure decree of holiness are telling,
which evermore shall be sole inmate of his dwelling. Amen.

TEXT: PARAPHRASE OF PSALM 93, GEORGE RATCLIFF WOODWARD (1849-1934)

MUSIC: 16TH CENTURY MELODY BY PIERRE DAQUES (N.D.), ARR. CHARLES WOOD (1866-1926)

PRESENTATION HYMN-HYMN 544

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun

DUKE STREET

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:

Christ, my hope, and Christ, my joy, — Christ, my strength, and my
light, Christ my con - fi - dence a - lone, in you I trust and have no
fear; in you I trust and have no fear.

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 494

Crown him with many crowns

DIADEMATA

THE DISMISSAL

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

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

POSTLUDE

Processional from *Suite 'Laudate Dominum'*: Psalm 93: 1-3

PETER HURFORD (1930-2019)

The flowers today are donated by
Kerry Sadler in loving memory of her
mother, Evelyn June Malloy.

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Week of Sunday, November 21, 2021

EPIPHANY CONNECTIONS

THIS WEEK AT EPIPHANY

- 11/21 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)
11:30 a.m. Epiphany Youth Group (EYG)
- 11/24 7:00 p.m. Education for Ministry (EfM)
- 11/24 7:00 p.m. Lectio Divina (Zoom)
- 11/25 6:30 p.m. Schola rehearsal
7:45 p.m. Parish Choir rehearsal
- 11/28 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)
11:30 a.m. Lector/Acolyte/Usher training

2022 STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN ENDS TODAY! COME SHARE IN OUR *CELEBRATION OF GRATITUDE* RECEPTION AFTER THE SERVICE

Today represents the final day of our “official” 2022 Stewardship Campaign, and we are *truly* grateful to all those who have made a pledge to help support Epiphany for the coming year! Your pledges, and the financial commitment they represent, will help operate and improve our church in many ways. What you give will determine how open-hearted our ministry toward one another and in our community can become in 2022.

Please join us after today’s service in (and just outside of) Bishop’s Hall for a **Celebration of Gratitude** hosted by your Bishop’s Committee. Come enjoy cake, coffee, champagne and sparkling cider ~ along with the glow of knowing that we are on a strong course, moving forward.

However, we still have work to do! Earlier this week, we had received approximately 50 pledges for a total of \$211,972.00, which is still quite a bit below the budget that has been set, and also below where we were at this time last year. So, although our official campaign ends

today, your opportunity to pledge does not! If you haven’t already, know that your pledges are (needed and) welcome through the end of the year. And if you have any questions that may be keeping you on the fence, please don’t hesitate to reach out to me, to your Bishop’s Warden Steve Stephens, or to Reverend Jamie.

Remember, it is only through our combined joy, commitment, and the sharing of our time, talent and *treasure* that our church community can continue to thrive and do Christ’s work in so many meaningful ways!

With gratefulness, Kerrie Sadler, Stewardship Chair

TRAINING FOR ACOLYTES, LAY READERS, AND USHERS

Today, after the service, our acolytes, lay readers, and ushers, will receive refresher training in preparation for Advent and Christmas. During the long break from live services during the pandemic, it was inevitable that some practices would slip our minds, and we want our upcoming celebrations to be the best that they can be.

If you are not already signed up to participate in these ministries but would like to do so, please feel free to show up for the training and you will be included.

If you cannot attend the training but would like to participate, please contact Laurie Burns (for acolytes), Jay Wilcox (for lay readers), or Bob Thomson (for ushers) to arrange to be trained.

ADVENT WREATH KITS

Come to the Advent table this Sunday during coffee hour and collect the makings of an Advent wreath for use during the season. Suggested donation \$5 - \$10 for Youth Group funds. Limited supply, so be quick!

CONFIRMATION CLASS

Live and in-person Confirmation classes are forming! Recommended age is 14 years or over. If you or someone you know is interested please contact Rev. Jamie.

REVERSE ADVENT CALENDARS

A reverse Advent Calendar is a practice where, instead of opening something every day, you contribute something to those in need. Our youth group have prepared boxes for your use, and you can collect one from church beginning on November 21.

For each day of Advent (November 28 through Christmas Eve), you put one food item to donate into the box. Please donate only non-perishable canned or jarred items, as they must be stored until they are collected in early January. Examples include canned chicken, beans, vegetables, tuna, soup, tomatoes, pasta sauce peanut butter, fruit cups, apple sauce. Once done, you can drop the full box off at the church when you come to Christmas services.

For more information contact Karen kjames@tcote.org or Laurie lburns@tcote.org

DISCERNING YOUR CALL

Epiphany relies on volunteers to fill key roles. If you feel called to help Epiphany's mission to the community, there are opportunities for you to help!

When you are trying to discern what your ministry is, consider where your deep joy and the world's great needs intersect. Once again, this Sunday we will have a Welcome table where you can sign up to serve in various ministries at Epiphany. Thank You!

SPIRITUAL RESOURCE FOR ADVENT

Advent Word, a global Advent Calendar, offers daily meditations and images during this holy season beginning Sunday, November 28. In addition to meditations and images, Advent Word invites your

personal reflections via social media to share your own Advent journey. Thousands participate each year, responding to the day's prompt words with photos, written responses, crafts, drawings, poems, found art, and Holy Spirit-filled posts. The website, where you can sign up for daily notifications, is:

<https://adventword.org/en/home/>.

ADVENT SERVICE OF LESSONS AND CAROLS

Please join us this afternoon at 4 p.m., as we acknowledge the season of Advent in our annual Advent Service of Lessons and Carols. The service tells in scripture and song of the saving work of God. It begins with the story of the fall of humanity, continues with prophecies of the coming of the Messiah, tells of God's great love for God's people, and concludes with the Annunciation and Mary's visit to Elizabeth, when Mary proclaims God's greatness and glory. Each lesson will be followed by a musical response in the form of either a congregational hymn or a choral anthem. This service helps us to look forward to Christmas with expectation and hope.

ACCESSING OUR LIVESTREAM

The easiest way to access our livestream is by going to www.tcote.org/live-stream-service. That page has the service stream for Sunday and most of the week after, and a link to the bulletin. It also has a link to Epiphany's YouTube channel for past services (or the immediate past service if that is no longer available through the website).

You can also get there by going to www.tcote.org and scrolling down to the rectangular box below "Latest Sermons." Click on that box, and you will be on the page described above.

PRAYERS

Please pray for those on our Parish Prayer List: Michelle.

Please pray for those on our Long-Term Parish Prayer list: Ken, Pam, Donna, Neil, Olivia and Byron, Bob, Meg.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all who have given their lives in service of their country and all 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.

