# The Fifth Sunday in Lent March 17, 2024 - 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!

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.

**Coffee Hour:** Whether you are just visiting or have been here many times, we would love for you to join us for a time of fellowship with coffee and donuts in the Bishop's Hall directly after the service. If you are visiting and are not sure where the Bishop's Hall is, please ask anyone and they will be happy to show you!

**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 *prayground* 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. Children return to the service for communion.

**Contact**: Office hours are Tuesday-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.

**Communion:** By tradition, The Episcopal Church offers Holy Communion to all baptized persons. If you are not baptized, but wish to receive, we invite you to participate fully in the opening part of the service, called the Ministry of the Word, hearing God's word and reflecting on your life, enabling you to come to the table for communion, if you so choose, with a heart prepared to receive. We hope that if you feel touched by the word and sacrament and wish to learn more about the life-giving power of the Spirit of the Risen Christ, you will contact The Rev. Jamie Barnett to inquire about participating in Holy Baptism.

## The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

**PRELUDE** Erbarm dich main, O Herre Gott (second setting) Johann Nicolaus Hanff (1663-1711)

The German hymn *Erbarm dich main, O Herre Gott,* is a Paraphrase of Psalm 51, a portion of which is our psalm today.

### The Word of God

At the sound of the bell, all stand, as able, and sing ENTRANCE HYMN Hymn 495 Hail, thou once-despised Jesus

**OPENING ACCLAMATION** 

The people standing, the Presider says

PresiderBless the Lord who forgives all our sins.PeopleGod's mercy endures for ever.

#### **COLLECT FOR PURITY**

The Presider may say

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.* 

IN BABILONE



#### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider	The Lord be with you.
People	And also with you.
Presider	Let us pray.

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through 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: Jeremiah 31:31-34

The people sit.

A Reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

<sup>31</sup>"The days are surely coming," says the LORD, "when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. <sup>32</sup>It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband," says the LORD. <sup>33</sup>"But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days," says the LORD: "I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. <sup>34</sup>No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, 'Know the LORD,' for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest," says the LORD; "for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more."

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

Silence may follow.

#### PSALM: Psalm 51:1-13

Remain seated.

At the beginning of the Psalm the choir sings the Antiphon, which is then repeated by the congregation. All join with the choir in singing the Antiphon where indicated.



<sup>1</sup>Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; \*

in your great compassion blot out my offenses.

<sup>2</sup>Wash me through and through from my wickedness, \* and cleanse me from my sin.

<sup>3</sup>For I know my transgressions, \*

and my sin is ever before me.

<sup>4</sup>Against you only have I sinned \* and done what is evil in your sight. *Antiphon.*  <sup>5</sup>And so you are justified when you speak \* and upright in your judgment. <sup>6</sup>Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, \* a sinner from my mother's womb. <sup>7</sup>For behold, you look for truth deep within me, \* and will make me understand wisdom secretly. <sup>8</sup>Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; \* wash me, and I shall be clean indeed. <sup>9</sup>Make me hear of joy and gladness, \* that the body you have broken may rejoice. Antiphon. <sup>10</sup>Hide your face from my sins, \* and blot out all my iniquities. <sup>11</sup>Create in me a clean heart, O God, \* and renew a right spirit within me. <sup>12</sup>Cast me not away from your presence, \* and take not your holy Spirit from me. <sup>13</sup>Give me the joy of your saving help again \* and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit. Antiphon.

#### **SECOND READING: Hebrews 5:5-10**

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Hebrews.

<sup>5</sup>Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

"You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; <sup>6</sup>as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek."

<sup>7</sup>In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. <sup>8</sup>Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; <sup>9</sup>and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, <sup>10</sup>having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

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

Silence may follow.

#### **SEQUENCE HYMN**

All stand as able. Hymn 474

When I survey the wondrous cross

ROCKINGHAM.

#### GOSPEL: John 12:20-33

All stand.

PresiderThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.PeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

<sup>20</sup>Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. <sup>21</sup>They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." <sup>22</sup>Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. <sup>23</sup>Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. <sup>24</sup>Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. <sup>25</sup>Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. <sup>26</sup>Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

<sup>27</sup>"Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. <sup>28</sup>Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." <sup>29</sup>The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." <sup>30</sup>Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. <sup>31</sup>Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. <sup>32</sup>And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." <sup>33</sup>He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

Presider Beenle	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.

We come before our loving and gracious God, asking that God's grace and love be kindled in our hearts and spoken on our lips.

#### Write your word on our hearts, O Lord;

that we may do your will as we praise your name. We pray for our spiritual leaders, that they may speak your truth and call your people into deeper discipleship.

#### Write your word on our hearts, O Lord;

that we may support the leadership of this nation in the pursuit of peace and justice for all people.

#### Write your word on our hearts, O Lord;

that with compassion we may respond to the needs of the world, neighbors near and far.

#### Write your word on our hearts, O Lord;

that we may speak comfort to those who suffer in any way and offer hope to those who grieve. We pray especially for those on our parish prayer list: Brian, Jane, Jean, Joanne, Michele, and Virginia. 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.

#### Write your word on our hearts, O Lord;

that we may live your truth in our lives and confess your truth with our lips. Amen.

#### **CONFESSION OF SIN**

*The Presider says* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Presider 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 Presider stands and says

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

PresiderThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

Then the Ministers 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 when *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** M

Miserere mei, Domine

(sung by the Schola)

Miserere mei, Domine, secundum magnam miserircordiam tuam: dele iniquitatem meam. Have mercy on me, Lord, according to your great loving-kindness blot out my sins.

TEXT: PSALMS 51:1 MUSIC: ORLANDO DI LASSO (1532-1594)

**PRESENTATION HYMN** Hymn 455

O love of God, how strong and true

DUNEDIN

### 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.

Facing the Holy Table, the Presider proceeds

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise. Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

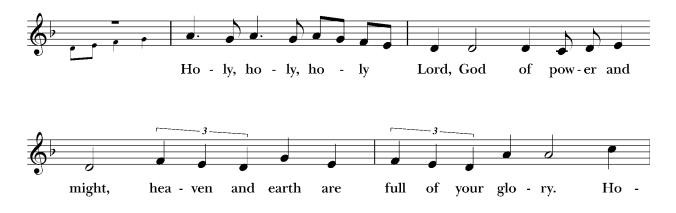
Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

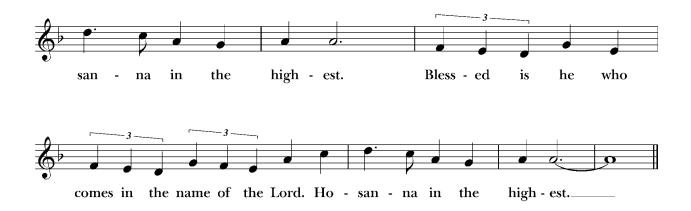
#### By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

#### SANCTUS S 129 Holy, holy, holy (Powell)

Presider and People





#### The Presider continues

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving, *We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.* 

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God of Sarah, Rachel, and Leah; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

#### Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. *AMEN*.

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

#### People and Presider

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. Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo, santificado sea tu nombre, venga tu reino, hágase tu voluntad, en la tierra como en el cielo. Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día, Perdona nuestras ofensas como también nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden. 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. No nos dejes caer en la tentación, y líbranos del mal. Porque tuyo es el reino, el poder, y la gloria, ahora y por siempre. Amén.

#### **FRACTION ANTHEM** Antiphon Cantor; then All 0 Who will live for bread ev - $\mathbf{er}$ this ev - er. eats Cantor >• 0 1. This the bread which comes down from is true hea - ven Cantor and gives life the world. [Ant.] 2. Who - ev to $\mathbf{er}$ 20 0 . believes in shall not hun - ger thirst, for the bread me or which I give for the life of the world is my flesh. [Ant.]

### The Breaking of the Bread

#### *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.

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.

All who seek God and desire a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion. During the distribution of Communion, we welcome you to receive the sacrament or a prayer of blessing. When you come to the altar rail, you may either stand or kneel.

If you desire to receive the sacrament, please receive the bread in open and outstretched hands. Once you have received it, you may keep it there and the chalice bearer will take it, dip it in the wine and return it 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. If you would like a gluten-free wafer, please tell the presider.

If you desire to receive a blessing, please cross your hands over your chest at the altar rail.

#### **COMMUNION MUSIC**

All are invited to sing



*After Communion, the Presider says* Let us pray.

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.

#### THE BLESSING

The Presider blesses the people.

#### **POST-COMMUNION HYMN**

Hymn 603	When Christ was lifted from the earth	ST. BOTOLPH
DISMISSAL		
Presider	Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.	
People	Thanks be to God.	

#### POSTLUDE

Praeludium in E minor

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If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to ask any member of our staff, our Wardens, or any member of our Bishop's Committee, and they will be happy to assist you.



# For the Week of Sunday, March 17, 2024 EPIPHANY CONNF

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#### THIS WEEK AT EPIPHANY

3/17	9:45 a.m.	Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
	10:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	- Children in the Atrium Holy Eucharist EYG Crop Walk Taize
3/18	7:00 p.m.	EfM
3/20	5:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Bishop's Committee meeting A Case for Love Lenten Series Lectio Divina
3/21	11:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:45 p.m.	Climate + Change (zoom) go to <u>www.tcote.org/adult-formation</u> Schola Rehearsal Parish Choir Rehearsal
3/23	9:30 a.m.	Altar/Flower Guild meeting
3/24	9:45 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	Children begin in church Holy Eucharist

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#### **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.

Have you put off making your pledge for 2024? It's never too late. You can fill out the card in the back of the pews or go to www.tcote.org/stewardship-2024/ today.

#### JOURNEY WITH US THROUGH HOLY WEEK



Palm Sunday Sunday, March 24, at 10:00 a.m.

**Maundy Thursday** Thursday, March 28, at 7:00 p.m.

**Good Friday** Friday, March 29, at 12:00 noon

Tenebrae Friday, March 29, at 7:00 p.m.

Vigil of the Light and Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, March 30, at 4:00 p.m.

The Great Vigil of Easter Saturday, March 30, at 8:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday, The Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ Sunday, March 31, at 10:00 a.m.

#### LOOKING FOR USHERS



Due to our increasing attendance on Sunday and our return to Communion at the altar, we are looking for more people to serve as ushers. Ushers are indispensable to welcoming parishioners and facilitating a smooth

service. We need your smiling face! Open to all! If you are willing to serve as an usher (about once a month) please let us know at info@tcote.org.

#### TAIZE - TONIGHT 7:00 P.M.



A Service of Contemplation and Prayer in the Style of Taizé. In the 1940s, a monastic community in Taizé, France, created a new form of prayer service that was designed to be ecumenical and non-

denominational. Brief, easy songs are repeated to create a meditative atmosphere, and are interspersed with readings and silence to encourage contemplation. Led by the Parish Choir, this quiet, reflective service is patterned on the worship practices at Taizé. This service offers worshipers the opportunity to enter into a prayerful experience of God.

#### TENEBRAE



This year, we are adding the service of **Tenebrae** to Holy Week on **Good Friday, March 29 at 7:00 p.m.** The name Tenebrae (the Latin word for "darkness" or "shadows") has for centuries been applied to the ancient

monastic night and early morning services of the last three days of Holy Week. Read more in our newsletter or at <u>www.tcote.org</u>. We hope you attend this profoundly moving service.

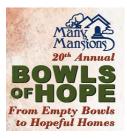
#### EASTER FLOWER GIFTS



If you would like to contribute for Easter flowers either in thanksgiving for something or someone in your life, or in memory of a loved one, please fill out the form in the back of the pews and place it on the offering plate with cash or check or

mail it to the church office. All Easter flower donations received by Sunday March 24 will be acknowledged in the Easter bulletins. Any donations received after that date will be acknowledged in the bulletin on April 7. You can donate at the website under Altar Flower Gifts at <u>www.tcote.org/epiphany-flower-guild/</u>

#### **BOWLS OF HOPE**



We believe everyone deserves a place to call home and an opportunity to thrive. Many Mansions is the leading provider of permanent supportive housing for the most vulnerable— the homeless and housing insecure— in Ventura County. Currently Many Mansions

operates 20 dignified housing communities for 1,700 residents and offers services that provide a foundation of stability, support, and education.

#### You are Invited Sunday, March 24 11:00 am – 2:00 pm HYATT REGENCY WESTLAKE Tickets: Adults \$50 Children \$15

Find the link to register in our *Connections Newsletter* or <u>Bowls of Hope | The Church of the Epiphany</u> (tcote.org)

Join us and enjoy savory food, crafts, a raffle, silent auction, and learn about how you can help prevent homelessness in your community.

#### **OUR LENTEN SERIES**



Our Lenten series is based on the movie *A Case for Love*. Meetings are **6:30 -7:30 p.m. in Ascension Chapel through this Wednesday.** Read more or at www.toote.org

in our newsletter or at <u>www.tcote.org.</u>

#### **BISHOP'S COMMITTEE MEETING**

The next Bishop's Committee meeting is **Wednesday**, **March 20, at 5:00 p.m.** in the Founders Hall and open to all. If you have an issue to be brought forward, please inform Rev. Jamie Barnett or the Bishop's Warden, Susan Halligan, prior to the meeting.

#### **CROP WALK!**



CONEJO VALLEY CROP WALK TODAY!

CLU Start outside William Rolland Stadium About 4 miles or 10-minute guided campus stroll

Registration: 12:00 – 1:00; Walk begins at 1:00

Walkups are welcome! \$200 in donations by the day of the walk earns a CROP t-shirt (can also be purchased)

#### **SHEPHERD'S CUP GOLF CLASSIC**



The Diocese of Los Angeles' second annual Shepherd's Cup Golf Classic and Dinner will be held on **Monday, April 29** at the Industry Hills Golf Club and Pacific Palms Resort in the City of

Industry. The day will begin with fellowship and registration at 9 a.m.; golfers will take to the course at 11 a.m.

The fundraising event, which supports the mission and ministries of the diocese, will include the golf tournament, a banquet dinner, and live and silent auctions. Read more in our newsletter or at <u>www.tcote.org.</u>

#### **MINISTRIES – FIND YOUR CONNECTION**

For more information on these and other ministries, please visit <u>www.tcote.org</u>



Want to help on Sundays during the service? If you are interested in being an **usher**, **reader**, **or LEM**, please contact the church at <u>info@tcote.org</u>



Members of the Altar Guild prepare all that is necessary for the celebration of all of the sacraments of the church. Contact: Leigh Wallace

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Each week, talented and creative 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



Acolytes are a part of the team of ministers who lead the worship. This ministry is open to males and females aged 12 and up. If you would like to be involved, please contact Karen:kjames@tcote.org.



Do you like to entertain? The Holy Hosts are looking for people who are interested in cooking, serving, or helping to supply food for

church events. If you are interested in participating, please contact Karen Listick by texting (preferable) or calling at 818-519-1763 or via e-mail at karen@listick.com.



The Music Ministry at The Church of the Epiphany offers a variety of opportunities for participation and welcomes all. You may join the choir

at any time. Contact: Jay jwilcox@tcote.org



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 Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program is highly childcentered and allows children to enter into a relationship with God in their own ways, and in their own time. All children are welcome.

Contact: Laurie Burns lburns@tcote.org



At Epiphany, we embrace and appreciate the capacity and insight of our teen parishioners. EYG is a safe, encouraging space for spiritual exploration and asking important

questions. We meet every other Sunday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Contact: Laurie Burns lburns@tcote.org



Meeting at noon for one hour on Wednesdays, Feeding the Spirit Bible study is focused on upcoming lessons for the week and the themes found within. ON HIATUS **DURING LENT.** 



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 yvonnelux@gmail.com



The Women's Interfaith Network (WIN) has many opportunities to serve those in need in our community. Please check their page at www.tcote.org. Contact: Aggie Winston (805) 807-5001.

Creation Care at The Church of the Epiphany is about helping each other to grow in care for God's Creation. Seasonal Sacred Hikes help to create a

personal bond and connection. Contact: Mari Mendenhall mmidsgn@sbcglobal.net



Deepen your faith while discussing the Bible, church history, and practical theology. Education for Ministry (EfM) meets Monday nights from September to June, enrollment for 2024 begins in July.

Contact: Elizabeth at E.Vana.Bryant@gmail.com



Lectio Divina is a practice of scriptural reading, meditation, and prayer opening to a deeper communion with God. We meet via Zoom every

Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. Link at www.tcote.org/lectiodivina or contact: Barry at <u>burnscreative@gmail.com</u>.



A grief shared meets on the fourth Tuesday of every month from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in Ascension *Chapel.* Wherever and however you are experiencing grief, we invite you

to come and share your story in a safe and supportive space. Contact: Laurie Burns lburns@tcote.org

**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



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



The Pastoral Care Team cares for parishioners who may be sick, recovering from surgery, or experiencing other life changes. We

make phone calls, visit hospitals and homes, and help with their unmet needs, such as providing an occasional meal following surgery or illness. If you would like to be a part of this rewarding ministry, contact Sharon Schneider: sschneider@tcote.org



**OWLS** (Older Wiser Laity) strives to create community and fellowship opportunities among the more senior members of our church and the greater area, meeting on the second Thursday of the

*month at noon* for lunch and enriching programs from October - May. Contact Michelle Ponticelli: mponticelli@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



The Epiphany Music Guild furthers the church's outreach mission to the any Music Guild community by providing a regular series

of musical and other artistic events, enriching people's lives, and giving them opportunities to encounter beauty in a sacred space. Contact: Jay at jwilcox@tcote.org or www.tcote.org/music/

#### PRAYERS

Please pray for those on our Parish Prayer List: Joanne, Brian, Jane, Jean, Michele, Virginia, Betty

Please pray for those on our Long-Term Parish Prayer list: Boyd, Kay, Neil, Sarah, Tom, Donna, Judith, Kathy, Steve, Joe, Amanda, Tabitha, Judie, Steve, Paul, Madden, Norma, Hailey, John, Holly, Robyn, Bishop Michael Curry, Norma, Pat, Anne, Curt, Francisco, Susan K, Winnie and the Luppert family, Egan, Anna and the Justiniano family, Angela, Julie

#### Please pray for the soul of the departed: Vinod

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/.

### Mission

We seek to ensure that all who enter our doors know that they are loved, welcomed, and celebrated unconditionally, that we serve the world with gratitude, humility, and courage, and that we continue to grow in faith, recognizing reason and exploring the profound mystery that is God's creation.

### Vision

To live and love as true followers of Jesus, not just fans.

**Core Values** 

**RADICALLOVE** 

JOYFUL SERVICE

FAITHFUL LEARNING