

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
October 15, 2023, 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! Please join us for coffee, donuts, and fellowship in the Bishop's Hall directly after the service.

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.

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Children: We welcome children in our worship. Their sounds are a gift from God – no need to subdue them! Our *pray ground* 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.

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The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

PRELUDE

Der Herr ist mein getreuer Hirt (two settings)
(The Lord is my true shepherd)

JOHANN PACHELBEL (1653-1706)

The Word of God

At the sound of the bell. all stand as able and sing.

ENTRANCE HYMN

Hymn 7

Christ, whose glory fills the skies

RATISBON

OPENING ACCLAMATION

The people standing, the Presider says

Presider Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY

The Presider says

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

OPENING ANTHEM OR SONG OF PRAISE S 280 *Glory to God (Canticle 20) (Powell)*

The following is sung, all standi



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.

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; 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: Isaiah 25:1-9

The people sit.

A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

¹O LORD, you are my God;
I will exalt you, I will praise your name;

for you have done wonderful things,
plans formed of old, faithful and sure.

²For you have made the city a heap,
the fortified city a ruin;
the palace of aliens is a city no more,
it will never be rebuilt.

³Therefore strong peoples will glorify you;
cities of ruthless nations will fear you.

⁴For you have been a refuge to the poor,
a refuge to the needy in their distress,
a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat.

When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm,
⁵the noise of aliens like heat in a dry place,
you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds;
the song of the ruthless was stilled.

⁶On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines,
of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

⁷And he will destroy on this mountain
the shroud that is cast over all peoples,
the sheet that is spread over all nations;
⁸he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces,
and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth,
for the LORD has spoken.

⁹It will be said on that day,
Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.
This is the LORD for whom we have waited;
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Silence may follow.

HYMN IN PLACE OF PSALM 23

Hymn 664 My Shepherd will supply my need

RESIGNATION

SECOND READING: Philippians 4:1-9

The people sit.

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

¹My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

²I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. ³Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

⁴Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ⁵Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. ⁶Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

⁸Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

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

Silence may follow.

SEQUENCE HYMN

All stand.

Hymn 487

Come my Way, my Truth, my Life

THE CALL

GOSPEL: Matthew 22:1-14

All stand.

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

¹Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: ²“The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. ³He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. ⁴Again he sent other slaves, saying, ‘Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.’ ⁵But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, ⁶while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. ⁷The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. ⁸Then he said to his slaves, ‘The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. ⁹Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.’ ¹⁰Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

¹¹“But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, ¹²and he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?’ And he was speechless. ¹³Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ ¹⁴For many are called, but few are chosen.”

Presider 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.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let us humbly approach our God, saying, "Remember us with favor, O Lord; *visit us with your saving help.*"

God our Savior, strengthen your Church to stand firm in your love. May we struggle not *with* one another, but instead struggle *beside* one another in the work of the gospel.

Silence

Remember us with favor, O Lord;
Visit us with your saving help.

God our Savior, you make happy those who act with justice. May the leaders and people of the nations dedicate themselves to pure and honorable dealings. Let your justice reign on this earth.

Silence

Remember us with favor, O Lord;
Visit us with your saving help.

God our Savior, you are good to us. You have blessed us with a rich creation and a beautiful planet for our home. May we cherish the gifts you have given us.

Silence

Remember us with favor, O Lord;
Visit us with your saving help.

God our Savior, you are always near. Assure the lonely; heal the sick; do mighty acts in the lives of the downcast. With thankful hearts, trusting in your mercy, we make our requests known to you. We pray especially for those on our parish prayer list: Chris, Carole, and Madden. We pray also for those who have asked for our prayers, but who wish to remain anonymous and for those on our long-term prayer list.

Silence

Remember us with favor, O Lord;
Visit us with your saving help.

God our Savior, your mercy endures forever. May those who have died glory in your inheritance and feast at your heavenly banquet for all eternity, especially Richard and Jeanne.

Silence

Remember us with favor, O Lord;
Visit us with your saving help. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Presider says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Presider and People

**God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.**

The Presider 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

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Then the Presider 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 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

The Lord is my shepherd

(sung by the Parish Choir)

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want,
he maketh me to lie down in green pastures,
he leadeth me beside the still waters.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil:
for you are with me, you will comfort me.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life:
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

TEXT: PSALM 23: 1-2, 4, 6
MUSIC: HOWARD GOODALL (B. 1958)

PRESENTATION HYMN

All stand as able and sing.

Hymn 649

O Jesus, joy of loving hearts

DICKINSON COLLEGE

The Great Thanksgiving

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.**

Presider
All thanks and praise
are yours at all times and in all places,
our true and loving God;
through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word,
the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things.
You laid the foundations of the world
and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb;
You brought forth all creatures of the earth
and gave breath to humankind.
Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing,
all you create is a sign of hope for our journey;
And so as the morning stars sing your praises
we join the heavenly beings and all creation
as we shout with joy:

SANCTUS S 130 Holy, holy, holy (Schubert/Proulx)
Presider and People

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and
might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are

The musical score consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are". The piano accompaniment features chords and single notes, with some measures containing rests. The vocal line is primarily composed of chords and single notes, with some measures containing rests.

full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

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

in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na

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

The Presider continues

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all,
 your Word has never been silent;
 you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations,
 you delivered them from bondage
 and led them to a land of promise.
 Of your grace, you gave Jesus

to be human, to share our life,
to proclaim the coming of your holy reign
and give himself for us, a fragrant offering.
Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer,
you have freed us from sin,
brought us into your life,
reconciled us to you,
and restored us to the glory you intend for us.
We thank you that on the night before he died for us
Jesus took bread,
and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it,
gave it to his friends and said:
“Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”
After supper Jesus took the cup of wine,
said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said:
“Drink this, all of you:
this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood,
poured out for you and for all
for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”
And so, remembering all that was done for us:
the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension,
longing for Christ’s coming in glory,
and presenting to you these gifts
your earth has formed and human hands have made,
we acclaim you, O Christ:

Presider and People

Dying, you destroyed our death.

Rising, you restored our life.

Christ Jesus, come in glory!

The Presider continues

Send your Holy Spirit upon us
and upon these gifts of bread and wine
that they may be to us
the Body and Blood of your Christ.
Grant that we, burning with your Spirit’s power,
may be a people of hope, justice and love.
Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ,
and in the fullness of time gather us
with all your people
into the joy of our true eternal home.
Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ,
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
we worship you our God and Creator
in voices of unending praise.

All: Blessed are you now and for ever. 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.**

**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.**

**Padre nuestro que estás en los cielos,
santificado sea tu Nombre,
venga tu reino,
hágase tu voluntad,
en la tierra como en el cielo.**

**Danos hoy el pan de este día,
y perdona nuestras deudas,
como nosotros perdonamos nuestros deudores.
y no nos dejes caer en la tentación,
sino que líbranos del malo.**

**Porque tuyo es el reino,
el poder, y la gloria,
por los siglos de los siglos. Amén.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

The first system of musical notation consists of two staves. The top staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). The bottom staff is in bass clef with the same key signature and time signature. The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style with quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are printed below the top staff.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

The second system of musical notation is identical in structure to the first, with two staves (treble and bass clef) in one sharp key signature and common time. The melody continues with similar rhythmic patterns. The lyrics are printed below the top staff.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:
 give us your peace, give us your peace.

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.

Presider 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.

During the distribution of Communion, we welcome you to receive the sacrament or a prayer of blessing. If receiving a blessing, please come forward and simply cross your hands over your chest as you walk up to the presider. If you would like a gluten-free wafer, please tell the presider when you reach the front.

Put your hands out one on top of the other, and the wafer will be placed in your hand. Leave the wafer in place and move to the chalice bearer, who will then take it, dip it in the wine, and hand it back 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.

COMMUNION HYMNS



Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's ho - ly name.



Bless the Lord, my soul, he res - cues me from death.



Sing prais - es, all you peoples, sing prais - es to the Lord; sing



prais - es, all you peo - ples, sing prais - es to the Lord!

*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 Priest blesses the people.

POST-COMMUNION HYMN

Hymn 556

Rejoice, ye pure in heart

MARION

DISMISSAL

Presider Alleluia, alleluia! Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

The flowers are given this morning by Stephanie and John Harbourne in thanksgiving for their 23rd anniversary, and by the Rev. Jamie Barnett in loving memory of her daughter, Lila Ashley Barnett.

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THIS WEEK AT EPIPHANY

- 10/15 9:45 a.m. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
- 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist; in-person and live-streaming: www.tcote.org
- 12:00 p.m. Newcomers/Episcopal 101

- 10/16 7:00 p.m. EfM meeting

- 10/18 12:00 p.m. Feeding the Spirit Bible Study
- 5:00 p.m. Bishop's Committee meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Lectio Divina

- 10/19 6:30 p.m. Schola rehearsal
- 7:45 p.m. Parish Choir rehearsal

- 10/20 5:00 p.m. RDV Happy Hour

- 10/21 TBD (a.m.) RDV Bottling Event

- 10/22 10:00 a.m. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
- 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist; in-person and live-streaming: www.tcote.org
- 12:00 p.m. Newcomers/Episcopal 101



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FLOWER GIFTS FOR SUNDAYS



Sponsoring altar flowers on Sunday is a wonderful way to celebrate a special occasion, honor loved ones, or give thanks. If you would like to give, please fill out the card found in the church pews or visit www.tcote.org.

MUSIC GUILD CONCERT



The Epiphany Music Guild presents its second concert of the season on **Sunday, October 29 at 4:00 p.m. Seraphour: Spirit and Light**. From the Renaissance to present day with music from the old and new world, the women of

Seraphour celebrate Spirit and Light. With works by Sungji Hong paired with Taverner and a new setting of "Veni Creator," this program offers a sublime window into the eternal and divine. Come and experience the ensemble that Fanfare calls "meltingly beautiful." There will be a simple reception after the concert to greet the artists.

A GRIEF SHARED



Wherever and however you are experiencing grief - the death of a loved one, the loss of hope, the fear of the unknown - we invite you to come and share your story in a safe and supportive space. Our next meeting is **Tuesday, October 24 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in Ascension Chapel**. Please contact Laurie Burns at lburns@tcote.org if you need further information.

RDV HAPPY HOUR



All are invited to the Red Door Vineyard Happy Hour on **Friday, October 20, from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.** BYO beverage to share. Bring an appetizer (or not) to share (or not)

Drop in any time - stay as long as you'd like - no RSVP required. Hoping to provide a loose and lively end to your busy week.

OCTOBER LUNCH BUNCH



Many, many thanks for the lunches last month. The folks served by Harbor House very much appreciated them. Our next date is **Wednesday, October 18** and they are asking for 70 lunches. Let me know if you are able to help this month. e-mail: yvonneflux@gmail.com. Thanks so much! Details at www.tcote.org

OUR OFRENDA



El Día de los Muertos, also known as **the Day of the Dead** is a tradition of welcoming back deceased loved ones, remembering and honoring their lives. It is not a spooky holiday; it is a celebration and serves to portray death as a natural cycle of the human experience. On the Day of the Dead, according to tradition, it is believed that the souls of the dead awaken and return to the living to eat, drink, and be merry with their loved ones. In preparation, the living family members prepare an ofrenda – an altar covered with pictures, favorite foods, drinks, and other items of the ones they miss. This year, our ofrenda will be set up on **October 21. Before or after church on Sunday, October 22 or from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday, October 23 through Thursday, November 2**, we encourage you to bring pictures and items of ones you have lost and place them on our ofrenda. **You may also contribute on the morning of Sunday, November 5.** *The service on that Sunday will include a prayer for them.*

El Día de los Muertos, también conocido como the Day of the Dead, es una tradición de dar la bienvenida a los seres queridos fallecidos, recordando y honrando sus vidas. No es un día festivo espeluznante; es una celebración y sirve para retratar la muerte como un ciclo natural de la experiencia humana. En el Día de los Muertos, según la tradición, se cree que las almas de los muertos despiertan y regresan a los vivos para comer, beber y divertirse con sus seres queridos. En preparación, los miembros vivos de la familia preparan una ofrenda, un altar cubierto con imágenes, comidas favoritas, bebidas y otros artículos de los que extrañan. Este año, nuestra ofrenda será montada en **el 21 de octubre. Antes o después de la iglesia el domingo 22 de octubre o de 9:00 a.m. a 3:00 p.m. del lunes 23 de octubre al jueves 2 de noviembre**, lo alentamos a traer fotos y artículos de los que ha perdido y colocarlos en nuestra ofrenda. **También puede contribuir en la mañana del domingo 5 de noviembre.** *El servicio de ese domingo incluirá una oración por ellos.*

OPEN MOSQUE DAY



Join us for a rewarding and unique Interfaith journey by joining members of Epiphany for a tour of the Islamic Center of the Conejo at Open Mosque Day on Sunday on **October 22 at 2700 Borchard Rd in Newbury Park**. Meet our group leader Elizabeth Olson and check in at the front of mosque at 12:30 – 1:00 p.m. -**RSVP** by email to aggiew@gmail.com. See www.tcote.org for full schedule and details.

CREATION CARE



Join Payton Hoegh, Program Director for The Center for Spirituality in Nature on **October 28 for an Autumn Walk at Charmlee Wilderness Park in Malibu. Hike is from 3:00-5:00.**

As the days grow short and temperatures cool, the natural world is preparing for a season of rest and renewal. Patterns and practices of nature have much to tell us. Come and join in a peace-filled walk observing some of the subtle signs of Autumn in our Coastal landscape. Our time together will also include:

- Guided Meditation
- Solo Wandering
- Nature-based Spiritual Practice
- Community Conversation
- Refreshment

Fee: \$20.00 Register in advance:

<https://www.centerforspiritualityinnature.org/event-details/autumn-walk-finding-sabbath-in-nature-3>

We will meet in the Charmlee parking area off Encinal Canyon Rd. For carpool arrangements contact Mary Mendenhall mmidsgn@sbcglobal.net 818-585-5068.

WALK WITH AMAL



AMAL the 12-foot puppet representing a 10-year-old Syrian refugee, will be in LA in early November. She has become a global symbol of human rights, especially those of refugees. Towns and cities across the U.S. and Mexico have created 100+ **free public events** to welcome her. Join other members of Epiphany at:

Queen of the Monarchs
Friday, November 3 at 10:30 a.m.
In Beverly Hills – exact location to be released later.

Visionary director and choreographer **Debbie Allen** creates a kaleidoscope of swirling monarch butterflies, echoing Amal's migration journey. If you would like to join a group "caravan" to the event, please contact Interfaith representative: Aggie Winston at (805) 807-5001 or email aggiew53@gmail.com.

LAUNDRY LOVE OCTOBER DATE



Laundry Love date change for October! The new date is October 24. We will meet at

the Coin Op Laundry, 1008 E. Avenida de Los Arboles (near the 99 Cents Only Store) 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Volunteers can come any time, for any length of time.

We would like some early shifters for this date.

Questions? Please contact Karen at kjames@tcote.org.

OCTOBER BISHOP'S COMMITTEE MEETING

The next Bishop's Committee meeting is **Wednesday, October 18, 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, Steve Stephens, prior to the meeting.

MINISTRIES – FIND YOUR CONNECTION

For more information on these and other ministries, please visit www.tcote.org.



During Holy Communion, the offerings of bread and wine are brought to the altar, carried by members of the congregation. They represent "the people of God" mentioned in the service. As they

offer the "oblations" of the congregation, they are referred to as the "**Oblationers.**" Please let us know when you would like to be an oblationer at: info@tcote.org. All are welcome.



Meeting *weekly for one-hour at noon on Wednesdays in Bishop's Hall, Feeding the Spirit Bible Study* is focused on upcoming lessons for the week and the themes found within. Bring a

lunch! We're feeding the Spirit and the Body! Upcoming readings will be found in our weekly *Connections* newsletter (subscribe at www.tcote.org) or on The Lectionary Page at www.lectionarypage.net



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



Members of the **Altar Guild** prepare all that is necessary for the celebration of the Eucharist and all of the other sacraments of the church. Contact: Leigh Wallace mizeinla@gmail.com

Want to help on Sundays during the service? If you are interested in being an **usher, reader, or LEM**, please contact the church at info@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 child-centered 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 the asking of important questions. Our youth group meets *every Sunday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.* Contact: Laurie Burns lburns@tcote.org

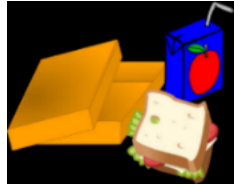


The Women's Interfaith Network (WIN) has many opportunities to serve those in need in our community. Please check their page on our website www.tcote.org. Contact: Aggie Winston (805) 807-5001.



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 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

yvonnlux@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 or contact: Barry Burns burnscreative@gmail.com.



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

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



The Epiphany Music Guild furthers the church's outreach mission to the community by providing a regular series of musical and other artistic events;

thereby enriching people's lives and giving them opportunities to encounter beauty in a sacred space.



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 the unmet needs they may have, 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 monthly for lunch and a variety of enriching programs from October-May. Contact Michelle Ponticelli: mponticelli@tcote.org



"Just the noise you make, and the camaraderie...it is the most life-affirming experience, singing in a choir." Sir Elton John. 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 Wilcox jwilcox@tcote.org

To access the bulletin from either your tablet or your cell phone, please scan the QR code:



PRAYERS

Please pray for those on our Parish Prayer List: Chris, Carole, Madden,

Please pray for those on our Long-Term Parish Prayer list: Boyd, Kay, Neil and Sarah, Tom, Donna, Arturo, Tommy, Judith, Matthew, Kathy, the Rowe family and baby Noah, Curt, Jana, Dave C, Steve, Joe, Rhonda, Catherine, Lynn, Dan, Amanda, Laura, Tabitha, Debbi, Judie, Viola Cleo, Cordelia, the Barsoum family, Georgia, Bishop Michael Curry, Steve, Paul,

Please pray for the souls of the departed: especially Richard and Jeanne

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/.

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 told otherwise.