

The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
August 25, 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
The Rev. Karen James, Deacon

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.

Out of consideration for your fellow worshippers, please either turn off or silence your cell phones.

The Holy Eucharist, Rite II

PRELUDE

Triptych: I. Prelude

CRAIG PHILLIPS (B. 1961)

The Word of God

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

ENTRANCE HYMN

Hymn 690

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah

CWM RHONDDA

OPENING ACCLAMATION

The people standing, the Presider says

Presider Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

FIRST READING: Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18

The people sit.

A Reading from the book of Joshua.

¹Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. ^{2a}And Joshua said to all the people, ¹⁴"Now therefore revere the LORD, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. ¹⁵Now if you are unwilling to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD."

¹⁶Then the people answered, "Far be it from us that we should forsake the LORD to serve other gods; ¹⁷for it is the LORD our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; ¹⁸and the LORD drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Silence may follow.

SECOND READING: Ephesians 6:10-20

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

¹⁰Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. ¹¹Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. ¹²For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. ¹³Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. ¹⁴Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. ¹⁵As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. ¹⁶With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. ¹⁷Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

¹⁸Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. ¹⁹Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

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

Silence may follow.

SEQUENCE HYMN

All stand as able.

Hymn 440

Blessed Jesus, at thy word

LIEBSTER JESU

GOSPEL: John 6:56-69

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

[Jesus said,] ⁵⁶“Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. ⁵⁷Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. ⁵⁸This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever.” ⁵⁹He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

⁶⁰When many of his disciples heard it, they said, “This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?” ⁶¹But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, “Does this offend you? ⁶²Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? ⁶³It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. ⁶⁴But among you there are some who do not believe.” For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. ⁶⁵And he said, “For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father.”

⁶⁶Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. ⁶⁷So Jesus asked the twelve, "Do you also wish to go away?" ⁶⁸Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. ⁶⁹We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God."

Deacon 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.

Bless our questions and the stirring of our hearts. Grant us wonder and delight in your mystery.

We come before you, O God, saying

Bless us and keep us close.

We pray for wisdom for our leaders, for the president, the Congress, and the courts. We pray especially that in this season of preparation for local, state and national elections, all may be filled with the Spirit of wisdom, vision, and peace.

We come before you, O God, saying

Bless us and keep us close.

We pray for your church, that we may be alert to your stirring, and aware of your presence. Guide and strengthen those in leadership: our bishops, priests, and deacons. Empower all who worship and serve in your church, in your name.

We come before you, O God, saying

Bless us and keep us close.

Our hearts ache for people around the world who live in poverty, hunger, and oppression. Keep us mindful of their needs, and move us to make a difference in their lives.

We come before you, O God, saying

Bless us and keep us close.

We are surrounded by people who are in pain, physically and spiritually. We pray that they are upheld by our prayers and come to know healing in their lives. We pray especially for those on our parish prayer list: Marilyn, Arturo, Roberta, Pat, Don, Chip, and Hayven. 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.

We come before you, O God, saying

Bless us and keep us close.

Some among us are dying, and some have passed into eternal life. We pray for the repose of the soul of those who have died, especially Dylan Jones. We pray for those who mourn and ask that all may be assured of your unending presence and your promise of life eternal with your saints in light.

We come before you, O God, saying

Bless us and keep us close. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Deacon says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you**

**in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

The Presider 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

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you,
People **And also with you.**

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 SOLO

Laudamus te

Kate Listick and Sarah Pennywitt, sopranos

*Laudamus te,
benedicimus te,
adoramus te,
glorificamus te.*

We praise you,
we bless you,
we worship you,
We glorify you.

TEXT: A PORTION OF THE *GLORIA IN EXCELSIS* FROM THE
ORDINARY OF THE MASS

MUSIC: ANTONIO VIVALDI (1678-1741)

As the peoples' gifts of bread, wine, and money are presented for a blessing, all stand as able and sing
Hymn 315 Thou, who at thy first Eucharist didst pray

SONG 1

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Presider God dwells in you.
People **And also in 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

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, God Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS

Presider and People

WLP 858

Holy, holy, holy

AMERICAN FOLK HYMN, ARR. MARCIA PRUNER (1936-2013),
 HARMONIZED ANNABEL MORRIS BUCHANAN (1888-1983)

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

might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. 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 image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The lyrics are: 'in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.' The music is in a simple, homophonic style with a key signature of one flat (B-flat).

The People stand or kneel.

The Presider continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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."

Therefore, according to his command, O God,

Presider and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Presider continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [_____ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, 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 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.
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.**

The Breaking of the Bread

FRACTION ANTHEM

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

INVITATION

Presider Behold who you are.
People: **May we become what we receive.**

DISTRIBUTION

The Presider says

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

Triptych: II. Intermezzo

CRAIG PHILLIPS (B. 1961)

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Presider says

Let us pray.

Presider and People

**Eternal God, heavenly Father,
you have graciously accepted us as living members
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,
and you have fed us with spiritual food
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.
Send us now into the world in peace,
and grant us strength and courage
to love and serve you
with gladness and singleness of heart;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

BLESSING

The Presider blesses the people.

POST-COMMUNION HYMN

All stand as able and sing.

Hymn 563

Go forward, Christian soldier

LANCASHIRE

DISMISSAL

Deacon

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Triptych: III. Antiphon

CRAIG PHILLIPS (B. 1961)

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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.



THIS WEEK AT EPIPHANY

Sunday, August 25

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
10:00 a.m. Children in church
11:30 a.m. Atrium Open House

Tuesday, August 27

11:00 a.m. a grief shared
5:00 p.m. Laundry Love

Wednesday, August 28

12:00 p.m. Feeding the Spirit Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Lectio Divina

Thursday, August 29

7:45 Parish Choir rehearsal

Sunday, September 1

10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
10:00 a.m. Children in church



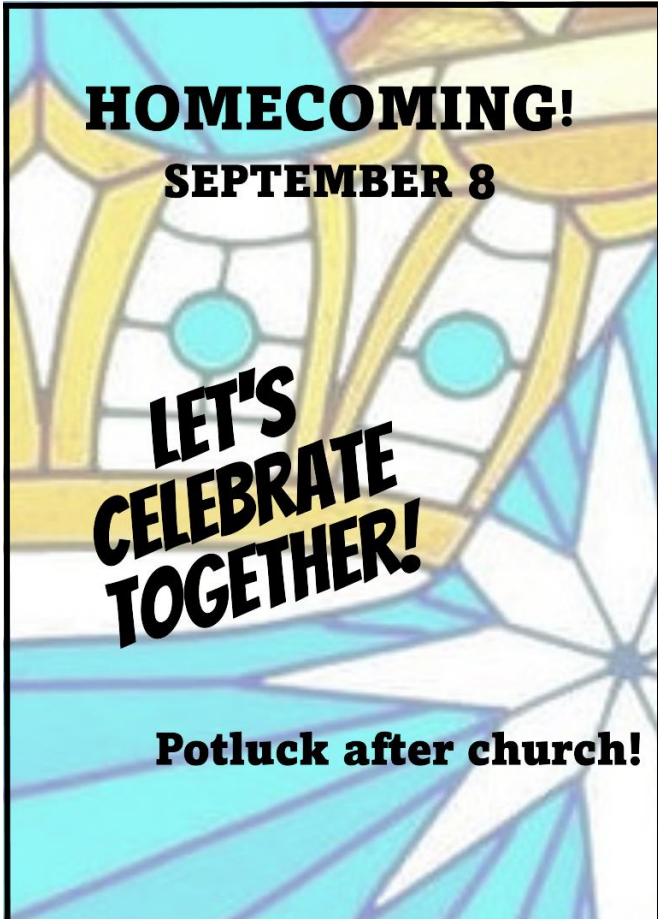
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CALLING ALL YOUNG MUSICIANS



The participation of children in the leadership of worship is of immense benefit to everyone. We will have a meeting on **Sunday, September 22, 2024,**

after the service to find out who might be interested in participating in a revival of our music program for children, and what the nature of that interest might be. We need and value your input in helping to design a program that will meet the needs of our young members! If you are interested and are unable to attend that meeting, please email Jay at jwilcox@tcote.org so that we can discuss your thoughts. Thank you!



POTLUCK SIGN-UP: See Karen Listick or Kim Seegan after church at the table or email Kim at kseegan@gmail.com to let her know what you want to bring. Thank you!

SPONSORING FLOWERS



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

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MINISTRIES – FIND YOUR CONNECTION

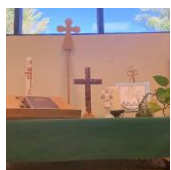
For more information on these and other ministries, please visit www.tcote.org



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 The Rev. Karen James: kjames@tcote.org.



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



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



Interested in being a **Coffee Host**? 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. Contact: info@tcote.org



Creation Care at 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



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.



The **Epiphany Music Guild** furthers the church's outreach mission to the 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/



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.



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



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 (818)519-1763 or via e-mail at karen@listick.com.



The **Interfaith Ministry's** mission is to involve members of Epiphany in the sharing of traditions among people of various faiths and cultures, to deepen and broaden mutual understanding, Contacts: Aggie Winston aggiew53@gmail.com and Kerrie Sadler sadlerkerrie@gmail.com



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 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.* Contact: Karen James kjames@tcote.org



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/lectio-divina or contact: Barry at burnscreative@gmail.com.



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 yvonnelix@gmail.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



Outreach: In response to the grace and love we have been given in Christ, we seek to serve our neighbors. Our commitment is to provide opportunities for The Church of the Epiphany to reach out locally, nationally, and globally so that we may grow, mature, and become more fully the people Christ calls us to be.



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: mponicelli@tcote.org



The **Pastoral Care Team** cares for parishioners who may be sick, recovering from surgery, or experiencing other life changes. If you would like to be a part of this rewarding ministry, contact Sharon Schneider: sschneider@tcote.org



PFLAG is the nation's largest organization dedicated to supporting, educating, and advocating for LGBTQ+ people and those who love them. We meet on the *second Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m.* Contact: info@tcote.org



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



The **Young Adult Group** (YAGs) meets on the *second Tuesday of each month from 6:30-8:30*. Please contact The Rev. Karen James: kjames@tcote.org or Laurie: lburns@tcote.org if you are between the ages of 18 and 30 and would like more info or to join in.

NAMETAGS



We wear nametags to help us feel more connected and so we can get to know each other better. If you're interested in having one, please fill out the form on the website (search for "nametag") or put your name on the clipboard in the narthex.

PARISH CHOIR REHEARSALS



Parish Choir rehearsals begin **August 29**. Please contact Jay at jwilcox@tcote.org. We hope you join us!

FOCUS ON: RDV



The vision of a few members of our choir and Bishop's Committee, the **Red Door Vineyard Guild** was formed in 2011 as a ministry. Planted in the spring of 2012, the Vineyard is located on the property situated above and behind the buildings on the Epiphany campus. Consisting of nearly 500 vines, it has become a unique symbol of our fellowship and our faith.

Our Founding Members were all parishioners. With our ever-increasing knowledge of viticulture and wine production, we now welcome new members from all walks of life. The Vintner's Board of the Red Door Vineyard Guild invites you to become a part of this unique and visionary ministry.

CULTIVATE and CONNECT

The mission of the Red Door Vineyard (RDV) Guild is to support and cultivate our community through working the soil, tending vines, harvesting grapes, and crafting wine. Guild members are invited to work together to dig, tend, trim, weed, harvest, crush, and bottle, all the while deepening and exploring our connection with our inner selves, our church community, our neighbors, the earth, and the universal.

BELONG and PARTICIPATE

ALL are invited to belong to the RDV Guild. Guild members are acknowledged and will enjoy the benefits of the Guild based on their level of giving. Beyond their gifts of treasure, Guild members will be encouraged to participate by joining together and laboring toward common goals.

Vineyard workers will be recruited, cultivated and organized by representatives of the Vintner's Board, and will be called upon as needed. Periodically recurring tasks may be handled by rotation or by specified teams. Certain work will be suitable for the whole family, including children, to work side by side on the hillside among the vines. Other important work will take place at a desk or computer, organizing Guild members and events. Still other tasks might include engaging the broader community in our

endeavors. All RDV Guild members are encouraged to accept the open invitation to labor in the fields, at a desk, or in the community.

Whether giving of your time, talents, or treasure, all will participate together, laboring toward common goals, with an awareness of community and an assurance of belonging - indeed, all are welcome here.

Contact: Stacey Stephens
reddoorvineyard@tcote.org

Our Vision

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

PRAYERS

Please pray for those on our Parish Prayer List: Marilyn, Roberta, Pat, Don, Arturo, Chip, Hayven

Please pray for those on our Long-Term Parish Prayer List: Boyd, Kay, Neil, Sarah, Tom, Donna, Judith, Joe, Amanda, Tabitha, Norma, Curt, Francisco, Angela, Joanne, Madeline, Judie, Hannah, Kate J, Tom B, Dave, Georgia, Bill, Robert, Sarah and family, Madden

Please pray for the soul of the departed: Dylan Jones

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/.