# The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost July 7, 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

Three Variants on Foundation

RAYMOND H. HAAN (B. 1938)

# The Word of God

At the sound of the bell, all stand as able and sing.ENTRANCE HYMNHymn 636How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord

FOUNDATION

#### **OPENING ACCLAMATION**

The people standing, the Presider saysPresiderBlessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.PeopleAnd 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.

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; 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: Ezekiel 2:1-5

The people sit.

A Reading from the book of Ezekiel.

<sup>1</sup>[The LORD] said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you.<sup>2</sup>And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. <sup>3</sup>He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. <sup>4</sup>The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, "Thus says the Lord GOD." <sup>5</sup>Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Silence may follow.

## SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 12:2-10

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

<sup>2</sup>I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. <sup>3</sup>And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows—<sup>4</sup>was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. <sup>5</sup>On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. <sup>6</sup>But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, <sup>7</sup>even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. <sup>8</sup>Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, <sup>9</sup>but he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness." So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. <sup>10</sup>Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Silence may follow.

## **SEQUENCE HYMN**

All stand as able.	
Hymn 530	Spread, O spread, thou mighty word

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## GOSPEL: Mark 6:1-13

DeaconThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.PeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

<sup>1</sup>[Jesus] came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him.<sup>2</sup>On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! <sup>3</sup>Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. <sup>4</sup>Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." <sup>5</sup>And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. <sup>6</sup>And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. <sup>7</sup>He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. <sup>8</sup>He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; <sup>9</sup>but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. <sup>10</sup>He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. <sup>11</sup>If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." <sup>12</sup>So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. <sup>13</sup>They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them. DeaconThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise 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.

Blessed Creator, you have filled the world with beauty and our lives with precious freedom. Grant us a spirit of gratitude for all that we have in this nation. Keep us mindful of those whose lives are challenged and limited by oppression and poverty.

#### Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

You have claimed us for yourself and brought us close to your heart. Let your people rise to sing your praise as they align themselves with your mission. Keep us mindful of those whose hearts yearn for you and for those who are persecuted around the world in your name.

### Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We thank you for relationships that nurture and challenge us. Keep us mindful of those who live in pain or fear or isolation. Strengthen our resolve to bring your love into their lives, to surround them with compassion.

### Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We pray for those on our parish prayer list: Robert, Dean, Ronnie, Marilyn, and Sarah and family; we pray also for those who have requested our prayers and who wish to remain anonymous as well as for those on our long-term prayer list.

#### Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

We give thanks for those we have known and loved, and who now are in your eternal embrace. Keep us mindful of those who are dying and keep alive the lessons of love we have learned from them.

## Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer. 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

PresiderThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd 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
 Prelude
 ISAAC VAN VLECK FLAGLER (1844-1909)

As the peoples' gifts of bread, wine, and money are presented for a blessing, all stand as able and sing Hymn 671 Amazing grace, how sweet the sound NEW BRITAIN

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

- *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

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

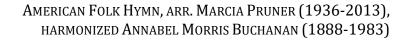
For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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:

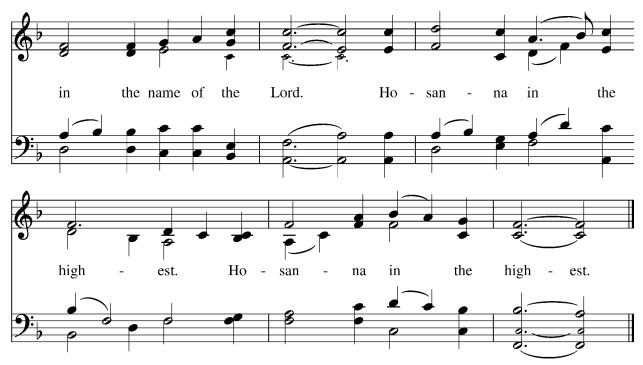
**SANCTUS** 

Presider and People WLP 858

Holy, holy, holy







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**

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

# INVITATION

*The Presider says* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

## 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**

Organ solo Tribute

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 718God of our Fathers, whose almighty hand

NATIONAL HYMN

#### DISMISSAL

- DeaconLet us go forth in the name of Christ.PeopleThanks be to God.
- **POSTLUDE** Fanfare for the Common Man

AARON COPLAND (1900-1990), ARR. THOMAS VOZZELLA (B. 1963)

In honor of Independence Day, all organ music this morning is by American composers.

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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, July 7, 2024 EPIPHANY CONNECTIONS

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#### THIS WEEK AT EPIPHANY

#### Sunday, 7/7

9:45 a.m. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd – atrium 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 11:15 a.m. Blood Drive 11:30 a.m. Catechesis Open House

#### **Monday, 7/8** 7:00 p.m. PFLAG

**Tuesday, 7/9** 6:30 p.m. Young Adults Group

Wednesday, 7/10 12:00 p.m. Feeding the Spirit Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Lectio Divina

**Thursday, 7/11** 6:30 p.m. Finance Committee

#### Sunday, 7/14

9:00 a.m. Summer Choir
9:45 a.m. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd - atrium
10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
11:30 a.m. Catechesis Open House
11:30 a.m. Outreach Committee meeting
11:30 a.m. Solar at Epiphany presentation

Are you new here? Please fill out the purple card in the pews, so that we may get to know each other!



Subscribe to our Epiphany Connections Newsletter at www.tcote.org/newsletter/

#### **BECOME A CATECHIST**



We invite you to come and explore the beautiful, sacred space that we share with the children, and see how you may be part of this transformative ministry on **Sunday**, **July 7**, and **Sunday**, **July 14** after the service - bring your coffee and donut with you and spend some time chatting with the Catechists. If you have any questions contact Laurie Burns, Director of

Formation at <a href="https://lburns@tcote.org">lburns@tcote.org</a>

#### SOLAR ENERGY AT EPIPHANY?



As you know, at the 2022 Episcopal Church General Convention, The Episcopal Church committed to carbon neutrality in all its 6,294 congregations by 2030. The Bishops'

Committee has been looking at solar options to help us achieve that goal. After church on July 14, a representative from Maxum Energy will present their proposal to install solar panels at Epiphany to the congregation. We will meet in Founders Hall, so please grab your coffee and a donut and come with any questions and ideas.

#### INTRODUCTION TO SIKHISM



**Tuesday, July 16, 7-8 pm, Introduction to Sikhism.** Epiphany is proud to host the location for every one of every faith to join us in our Bishop's Hall. The featured speaker and program are presented by the Ventura County Interfaith Community

(VCIC) . Please attend and learn more about this beautiful and spiritual religion that embodies the Sikh ideals of honesty, compassion, humility, and generosity in everyday life.

#### SUMMER FOOD DRIVE



Save the Date – Tuesday, July 30, 6 - 8:00 p.m. for the WIN Summer Food Drive and Community Picnic at Conejo Creek Park North. ALL DONATIONS GO TO MANNA, and the best way to

participate is to come to the picnic and bring your Manna donation. Check out the flyer and learn more at <u>www.tcote.org</u> or the *Epiphany Connections* newsletter. RSVP or questions: Aggie, <u>aggiew53@gmail.com</u> or call (805) 807-5001.

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



#### **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 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



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 June. 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.



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 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 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.* Contact: The Rev. 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 yvonnelux@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: <u>mponticelli@tcote.org</u>



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: <u>sschneider@tcote.org</u>



**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: <u>info@tcote.org</u>



**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 <u>reddoorvineyard@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>



The **Young Adult Group** (YAGs) meets on the *second Tuesday of each month from 6:30-8:30*. Please contact

kjames@tcote.org or Laurie: <u>lburns@tcote.org</u> if you are between the ages of 18 and 30 and would like more info or to join in.

The Rev. Karen James:

#### SPONSORING ALTAR 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 www.tcote.org

#### SUMMER CHOIR DATES



It's your opportunity to sing on July 14 and August 18. Meet us at 9:00 a.m. in the church to learn an easy anthem to sing at that morning's service.

Questions? Contact Jay at jwilcox@tcote.org . We look forward to hearing from you!

## GIVE US A CALL!



For those people without computers, we now have the option of phoning in and listening to our livestream services on Sunday mornings! *Please share* 

this news with anyone you know that you think would enjoy being able to listen in when they can't come in person. Phone: +1 720-256-2320. Enter the pin number 840327174, then hit #.

Are you in our Parish Directory? Have you checked your information lately? Please contact info@tcote.org for any new listing or correction necessary. You can access the directory at www.tcote.org.

#### FOCUS ON: A GRIEF SHARED



While we are capable of experiencing joy and meaning in our lifetime, we are not always prepared to face the trauma of profound loss.

We discover - all too quickly - that we cannot bear the pain of our grief alone. The process of sharing our grief fosters hope and healing and connects those whose experiences are profoundly shared with others. 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 group, entitled "a grief shared," meets on the fourth Tuesday of every month from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in Ascension Chapel. Please contact Laurie Burns if you need further information.

#### THE PHILADELPHIA ELEVEN



Join us for a screening of

The Philadelphia Eleven on their 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Thursday, July 25, 2024

6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Documentary Screening Followed by a Q&A session with The Rev. Canon Susan Russell Canon for Engagement Across Difference

Scan QR code to register:



#### A GENTLE REMINDER



Is your pledge up to date? Please remember that your pledges help pay our bills!

#### OUR MISSION AND VISION

## 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.



#### HARBOR HOUSE – JULY 17



Lunches for Our Neighbors in Need Many thanks to the Lunch Bunch! Your lunches are so very much appreciated by the unhoused and low-income folks that Harbor House serves. They need 80

lunches for July. They are expecting additional clients since Lutheran Social Services just closed down their operations in TO. Thanks! <u>yvonnelux@gmail.com</u>. More info at <u>www.tcote.org</u>

#### PRAYERS

**Please pray for those on our Parish Prayer List:** Robert, Dean, Ronnie, Marilyn, Sarah and family

Please pray for those on our Long-Term Parish Prayer List: Boyd, Kay, Neil, Sarah, Tom, Donna, Judith, Joe, Amanda, Tabitha, Paul, Norma, Pat, Curt, Francisco, Angela, Joanne, Madeline, Judie, Hannah, Kate J, Tom B, Dave, the Mullens family, Mona, Nancy, Georgia, Bill, Ivan, Melissa

To add yourself, family, or friends to the prayer list, please fill out a prayer card or submit your prayer request online at <u>www.tcote.org/prayer-</u> request/.