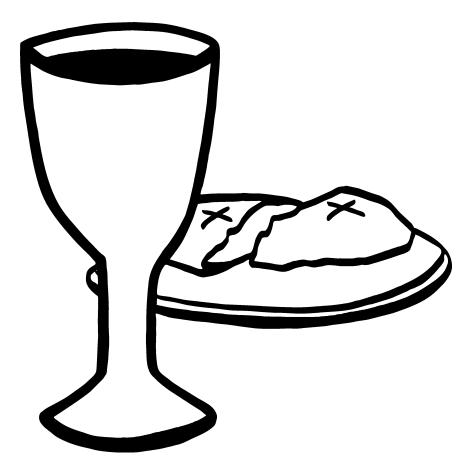
The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost August 18, 2024, 10:00 a.m.



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

Slane

HEALEY WILLAN (1880-1968)

The Word of God

At the sound of the bell, all stand as able and sing. ENTRANCE HYMN Hymn 420 When in our music God is glorified

ENGELBERG

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.

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

The Lessons

FIRST READING: Proverbs 9:1-6

The people sit.
A Reading from the book of Proverbs.
¹Wisdom has built her house, she has bewn her seven pillars.
²She has slaughtered her animals, she has mixed her wine, she has also set her table.
³She has sent out her servant-girls, she calls from the highest places in the town,
⁴"You that are simple, turn in here!" To those without sense she says,
⁵"Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed.
⁶Lay aside immaturity, and live, and walk in the way of insight."

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

Silence may follow.

SECOND READING: Ephesians 5:15-20

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

¹⁵Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, ¹⁶making the most of the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. ¹⁸Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, ²⁰giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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

Silence may follow.

SEQUENCE HYMN

All stand as able.	
Hymn 488	Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart

SLANE

GOSPEL: John 6:51-58

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

[Jesus said,] ⁵¹"I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

⁵²The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" ⁵³So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; ⁵⁵for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. ⁵⁶Those 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."

Presider	The Gospel of the Lord.
People	Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

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, The Rev. Jamie Barnett

begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead. and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

All remain standing. We come to you, trusting that our prayers will be heard. So, we pray, O God of abundant mercy **Hear our prayer.**

For your church in our neighborhoods and around the world, may we work toward unity and pray with one heart and one voice. 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

O God of abundant mercy Hear our prayer.

We come to you with thankful hearts, thankful for friends, family, and food; thankful for work, play and peace. Let us never forget those who are alone, hungry, out of work, and living in violent situations.

O God of abundant mercy

Hear our prayer.

We come to you trusting in your care and claiming the promise of your presence. We pray for healing for those who are in special need today. Arturo, Chip, Don, Marilyn, Pat, Roberta, and Hayven. We pray also for those who have requested our prayers but who prefer to remain anonymous, as well as for those on our long-term prayer list.

O God of abundant mercy Hear our prayer. We come to you for forgiveness—for paying more attention to our own needs than the needs of others, for listening more to our own voice than we listen to yours, and for all the ways we put up barriers between your love and our lives.

O God of abundant mercy Hear our prayer.

We come to you as disciples. May your love be known in the words we say and the lives we live.

O God of abundant mercy Hear our prayer.

We come to you for hope, bringing before you those we love and see no longer. We rejoice that they now are free from all pain and delight in the never-ending life that awaits us.

O God of abundant mercy Hear our prayer. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Presider 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	This is the hour	(sung by the Summer Choir)
	This is the hour of banquet and of song; this is the heavenly table spread for me; here let me feast, and feasting still prolong the brief, bright hour of fellowship with thee.	
	Here would I feed upon the bread of God, here drink with thee the Royal wine of heaven; here would I lay aside each earthly load, here taste afresh the calm of sin forgiven.	
	Too soon we rise; we go our separate ways; the feast, though not the love, is past and gone; the Bread and Wine consumed: yet all our days thou still art here with us, our Shield and Sun.	
	Feast after feast thus comes and passes by, yet passing, points to the glad feast above; giving us foretaste of the festal joy, the Lamb's great marriage feast of bliss and love	
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Text:	Horatius Bonar (1808-1889)
MUSIC:	RICHARD SHEPHARD (1949-2021)

As the peoples' gifts of bread, wine, and money are presented for a blessing, all stand as able and sing Hymn 341 For the bread which you have broken OMNI DIE

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:

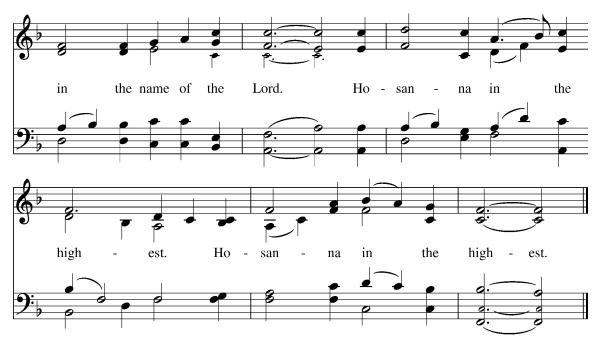
SANCTUS

Presider and People WLP 858

Holy, holy, holy

American Folk Hymn, arr. Marcia Pruner (1936-2013), harmonized Annabel Morris Buchanan (1888-1983)





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

PresiderBehold 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.

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 4320 praise ye the Lord!

LAUDATE DOMINUM

DISMISSAL

Presider	Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People	Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE When in our music

ROBERT POWELL (B. 1932)

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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, August 18, 2024 EPIPHANY CONNECTIONS www.tcote.org

THIS WEEK AT EPIPHANY

Sunday, 8/18 9:00 a.m. Summer Choir 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 10:00 a.m. Children in church

Wednesday, 8/21 12:00 p.m. Feeding the Spirit Bible Study 5:00 p.m. Bishop's Committee meeting 7:00 p.m. Lectio Divina

Saturday, 8/24 5:00 p.m. RDV Movie Night

Sunday, 8/25 10:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist 10:00 a.m. Children in church 11:30 a.m. Atrium Open House



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

ATRIUM OPEN HOUSE



We will have an Open House on **Sunday**, **August 25** after church during coffee hour. Come and experience the Atrium, and see if this is a ministry you would like

to be a part of.

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!



MOSQUE VISIT



Everyone is welcome to join Epiphany Interfaith Ministry to visit the Islamic Center of Ventura County at 7:00 p.m. on Friday,

August 23. Tour begins at 7:00 p.m., followed by prayers at 7:30 p.m. and a sermon by Imam Patel.

- Afterwards there will be time for refreshments with members of the mosque and our interfaith friends of the Ventura County Interfaith Community.
- Mosque Address is: 271 Riverpark Blvd., Oxnard, CA

Please invite anyone you know who might want to join us! View the flyer at <u>www.tcote.org</u>

RSVP with name and number of people attending in your group by August 20 or send questions to Aggie Winston, <u>aggiew53@gmail.com</u>, or Kerrie Sadler, <u>sadlerkerrie@gmail.com</u>.

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 www.tcote.org

MINISTRIES – FIND YOUR CONNECTION

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



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



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

Leigh Wallace 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 <u>lburns@tcote.org</u>



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



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 <u>E.Vana.Bryant@gmail.com</u>



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 <u>jwilcox@tcote.org</u> or <u>www.tcote.org/music/</u>



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 <u>lburns@tcote.org</u>



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 <u>aggiew53@gmail.com</u> and Kerrie Sadler <u>sadlerkerrie@gmail.com</u>



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 <u>kjames@tcote.org</u>



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 <u>www.tcote.org/lectio-divina</u> or contact: Barry at <u>burnscreative@gmail.com.</u>



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 <u>yvonnelux@gmail.com</u>



The **Music Ministry** at The Church of the Epiphany offers a variety of opportunities for participation and welcomes all. <u>You may join the</u>

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 the second Thursday of the month at

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: sschneider@tcote.org

PFLAG's vision is to create a world where difference is celebrated, and all people are valued inclusive of their sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression. We meet on the *second Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m.* Contact: info@tcote.org



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 The Rev. Karen James: <u>kjames@tcote.org</u> 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.

HARBOR HOUSE LUNCHES



Many thanks to those who volunteered to make lunches in July. They are much appreciated by the recipients. Harbor House is serving additional clients due to the closure of the Lutheran Social

Services operation in TO so, if you can, please sign up to make and deliver 10 lunches on Wednesday, August 14. Questions? Email <u>yvonnelux@gmail.com</u> More info at <u>www.tcote.org</u>.

NAMETAGS

Hello My Name is:

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.



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

FOCUS ON: MUSIC

The **Music Ministry** at The Church of the Epiphany offers a variety of opportunities for participation and welcomes all who are interested. We believe that we

are called to offer our gifts to the glory of God, the Giver, and in the service of one another. We seek not only to preserve and pass on the Church's great musical heritage of hymns and anthems but to explore new music that is becoming part of the Church's musical wealth. Music for use in services is selected to be appropriate to the service's scriptural themes and for the church season in which it is used. There are two choirs active in the music ministry: the Parish Choir and the Schola.

Anyone of high school age or older is welcome to join the Parish Choir. Singing is mentioned over 400 times in the Bible, and at least 50 of those are commands to sing to God. If that isn't enough motivation, consider that research has shown that singing in a choir has many benefits, musical, physical, social, mental, and spiritual!

To join our Parish Choir, you don't need to be able to read music, and you don't need to be able to sing like Pavarotti! You just need to enjoy singing, want to learn, and to become part of a group committed to serving the Epiphany community by enhancing our worship. First rehearsal of the Parish Choir is on August 28.

The Epiphany Schola is a select chamber choir specializing in music for small unaccompanied choir. The Schola leads services about a dozen times a year, including special services such as Evensong, Compline, and the Easter Vigil service.

In addition, 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 worship life of the congregation is also enriched by providing occasional additional financial support for special music in worship services above and beyond what is normally the responsibility of the parish budget.

If you are interested in participating in the Parish Choir or Schola, or joining EMG, please contact our Director of Music, Jay Wilcox jwilcox@tcote.org

MOVIE NIGHT UNDER THE STARS



We are excited to revive RDV's annual Movie Night Under the Stars, where wine-related entertainment is the main event!

We cordially invite you to a showing of <u>"A Good Year"</u> on **Saturday, August 24th**.

A British investment broker inherits his uncle's chateau and vineyard in Provence, where he spent much of his childhood. He discovers a new laid-back lifestyle as he tries to renovate the estate to be sold. (2006) (PG-13) (1 hr. 57 mins.)

- Join us on the grass outside of the Bishop's Hall
- Bring your own lawn chairs / blankets / snacks / beverages / etc.
- Come as early as **7:45pm** for fellowship and to get settled movie will screen around **8:30pm**
- Wine and popcorn will be served; <u>adults only</u> <u>please</u>
- A donation basket will be available, but this event is complimentary
- Bring a friend ALL are welcome!

RSVP to <u>reddoorvineyard@tcote.org</u> by Thursday 8/22 with the number in your party. We look forward to seeing you there!*CHEERS*

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, Nancy, Georgia, Bill, Robert, Sarah and family, Madden

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/.

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