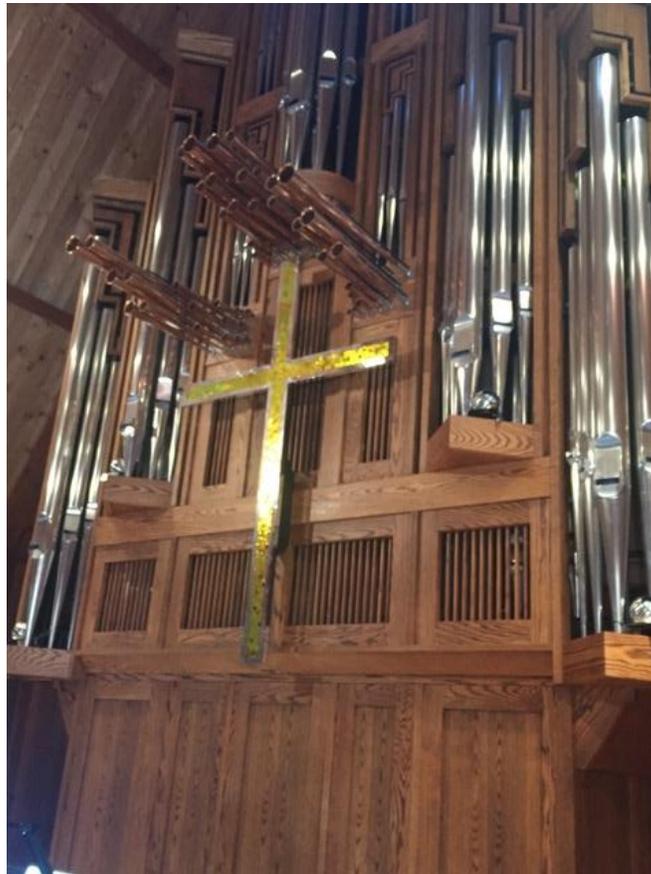




CHRIST CHURCH  
PORTOLA VALLEY & WOODSIDE

# First Sunday after the Epiphany



The Holy Eucharist, Rite Two  
January 9, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.

**WELCOME!**

The Episcopal Parish of Portola Valley & Woodside

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The following guidelines are in place for your safety, and particularly for the safety of our younger members for whom the vaccine has not yet been approved:

***Everyone eligible for the vaccine who joins us for in-person worship must show proof of vaccination (or signed doctor's exemption) to a greeter.***

*Masks must be worn at all times by persons over 2 years of age, except when consuming communion.*

*Social distancing must be maintained between households during the service. For your convenience, every other pew has been closed off. Please remain in your seats as directed by an usher.*

*Bathrooms are available off our breezeway. The parish hall is closed at this time.*

*Hand sanitizer can be found at the entrance of the church and at the bathroom doors.*

*Please pray aloud and sing with us! Local guidelines recommend that during sung or recited prayer, you keep your voice at a reduced volume and maintain social distancing.*

### **Thank you to today's volunteers!**

Coffee hour host	Norma Cance
Flowers	Diane Leonard
Greeter	Paul & Lenore Lovoi
Usher	Paul & Lenore Lovoi
Altar Guild	Mary Soubirous
Lesson	Andy Pflaum
Epistle	Danny Alegria
Prayers of the People	Anne Bertenthal

## **THE WORD OF GOD**

### **PRELUDE**

*Andante Religioso* from Sonata No. 4 Opus 65

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

*Please stand as you are able.*

**HYMN 448** O Love, how deep, how broad, how high

*Deus tuorum militum*



1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high, how pass - ing  
2 For us bap - tized, for us he bore his ho - ly  
3 For us he prayed; for us he taught; for us his  
6 All glo - ry to our Lord and God for love so



1 thought and fan - ta - sy, that God, the Son of  
 2 fast and hun - gered sore; for us temp - ta - tions  
 3 dai - ly works he wrought: by words and signs and  
 6 deep, so high, so broad; the Trin - i - ty whom



1 God, should take our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake.  
 2 sharp he knew; for us the tempt - er ov - er - threw.  
 3 ac - tions, thus still seek - ing not him - self, but us.  
 6 we a - dore for ev - er and for ev - er - more.

### OPENING ACCLAMATION

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

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

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

### GLORIA IN EXCELSIS S278

*William Mathias (1934-1992)*



1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and



peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -



might - y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we



praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,



on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you

take a-way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;

5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -

ceive our prayer. 6. For

you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,

Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of

God the Fa - ther. A - men.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Officiant The Lord be with you.

**People And also with you.**

Officiant Let us pray,

Officiant Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## THE LESSON *Isaiah 43:1-7*

Reader A reading from Isaiah.

Thus says the Lord,  
he who created you, O Jacob,

he who formed you, O Israel:

Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;

I have called you by name, you are mine.  
When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;  
and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;  
when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,  
and the flame shall not consume you.  
For I am the Lord your God,  
the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.  
I give Egypt as your ransom,  
Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you.  
Because you are precious in my sight,  
and honored, and I love you,  
I give people in return for you,  
nations in exchange for your life.  
Do not fear, for I am with you;  
I will bring your offspring from the east,  
and from the west I will gather you;  
I will say to the north, "Give them up,"  
and to the south, "Do not withhold;  
bring my sons from far away  
and my daughters from the end of the earth--  
everyone who is called by my name,  
whom I created for my glory,  
whom I formed and made."

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 29** (*read in alternation*)

*Celebrant* Ascribe to the Lord, you gods,  
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

*People* **Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his Name;  
worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.**

The voice of the Lord is upon the waters;  
the God of glory thunders;  
the Lord is upon the mighty waters.

**The voice of the Lord is a powerful voice;  
the voice of the Lord is a voice of splendor.**

The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees;  
the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

**He makes Lebanon skip like a calf,  
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.**

The voice of the Lord splits the flames of fire;  
the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness;  
the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

**The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe  
and strips the forests bare.**

And in the temple of the Lord  
all are crying, "Glory!"

**The Lord sits enthroned above the flood;  
the Lord sits enthroned as King for evermore.**

The Lord shall give strength to his people;  
the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.

**THE EPISTLE**     *Acts 8:14-17*

*Reader*     A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

*Reader*     The Word of the Lord.

*People*     **Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are able.*

**SEQUENCE HYMN 637** How firm a foundation

*Lyons*

1 How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,  
2 "Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dismayed!  
3 "When through the deep waters I call thee to go,

1 is laid for your faith in his ex - cel - lent word!  
 2 For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;  
 3 the riv - ers of woe shall not thee o - ver - flow;

1 What more can he say than to you he hath said,  
 2 I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,  
 3 for I will be with thee, thy trou - bles to bless,

1 to you that for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?  
 2 up - held by my right - eous, om - ni - po - tent hand.  
 3 and sanc - ti - fy to thee thy deep - est dis - tress.

**THE GOSPEL**      *Luke 3:15-17, 21-22*

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

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

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

*Please be seated.*

**THE SERMON**    *The Reverend Beth Phillips*

*Please stand as you are able and say together:*

**THE NICENE CREED**

**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**

(adapted from *Intercessions for the Christian People*)

*Leader*      With all our heart and mind let us offer to God our prayers, saying: Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For those who feed the believing community throughout the world, especially our Presiding Bishop Michael, our Bishop Marc, and our priest Beth, that they might lead us on the path of faithful discipleship, let us pray to the Lord:

**People** Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

*Leader* For leaders of nations, for those who serve us in government, for reconciliation among nations, races, creeds, and all that can divide us; for the gifts of unity, peace and grace, let us pray to the Lord:

**People** Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

*Leader* For the consolation and support of all who are in prison, physically, spiritually, and emotionally, especially for *Louise Delafield, Jim Raitt, Barb and Pete, Maria Magdalena Quintana Nacua (family member of Jim Szewczak and Pam Padilla), the Hebel family* and those we name now either silently or aloud (pause), let us pray to the Lord:

**People** Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

*Leader* For the dead and the bereaved and those who minister to them including *Jane Ulrich, Kenneth Trent Larkin, Hervey P. Clark, Terry Akerman, Clara Bergamini*, and those we now name either silently aloud (pause), let us pray to the Lord:

**People** Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

*Leader* For the concerns on our hearts today, we pray either silently or aloud (pause), let us pray to the Lord:

**People** Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

*Celebrant* *Holy God, lover of the human family and helper of all in need, hear the prayers we offer in faith, and strengthen us in your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

## CONFESSION OF SIN

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**All** 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.

*Celebrant* 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

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*During the peace, please maintain your six feet of social distance from other households. You are encouraged to share your peace with others using a bow, an air hug, a wave, or some other neighborly gesture!*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Dates for many of our upcoming events can be found on the back of this bulletin.*

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

**OFFERTORY HYMN 139** When Jesus went to Jordan's stream *Christus unser Herr*



1 When Je - sus went to Jor - dan's stream his Fa - ther's will o -  
2 The Ho - ly Spi - rit then was shown, a dove on him de -  
3 He came by wa - ter and by blood to heal our lost con -



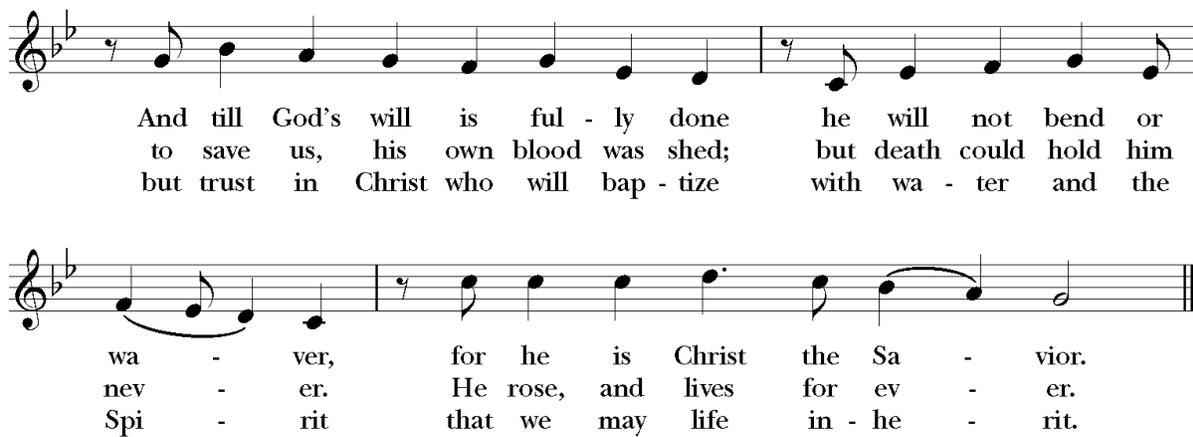
bey - ing, and was bap - tized by John, there came  
scend - ing; the Tri - une God is thus made known  
di - tion; he cleans - es, rec - on - ciles to God,



a voice from hea - ven say - ing, "This is my dear be -  
in Christ as love un - end - ing. He taught, he healed, he  
and gives the Great Com - mis - sion. Then let us not heed



lov - èd Son up - on whom rests my fa - vor."  
raised the dead, yet, in his great en - deav - or  
world - ly lies nor rest up - on our mer - it,



And till God's will is ful - ly done he will not bend or  
to save us, his own blood was shed; but death could hold him  
but trust in Christ who will bap - tize with wa - ter and the  
wa - ver, for he is Christ the Sa - vior.  
nev - er. He rose, and lives for ev - er.  
Spi - rit that we may life in - he - rit.

*At the start of The Great Thanksgiving, please stand as you are able.*

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

***People* And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

***People* We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

***People* It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

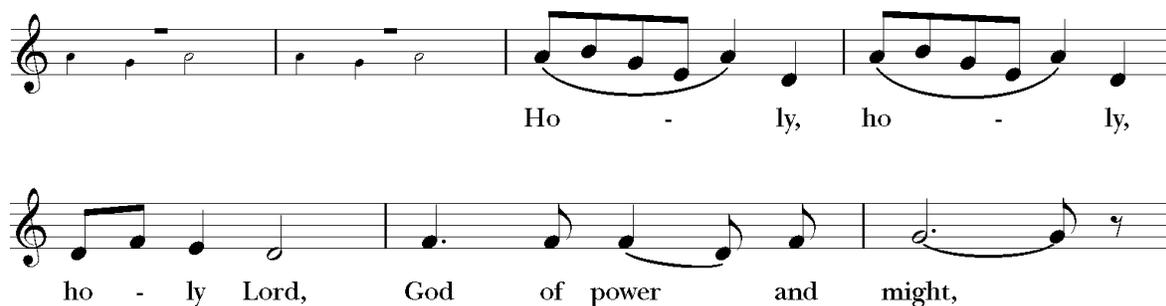
*Celebrant* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son 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 S128

*William Mathias*



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.

*Celebrant* 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 Father,

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

*Celebrant* 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 Mary,

Joseph, 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 Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*Celebrant* And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,  
*All* **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, for ever and ever. Amen.**

## **THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

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

*Please be seated until it is your turn to come forward for Communion. **Do not consume the host immediately upon receiving it.** Please return to your seat with the sacrament and together we will consume the bread as the celebrant says the following words:*

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God for the People of God.  
Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

## **THE COMMUNION**

*All people (including children of all ages) are welcome to receive Communion at this Church. Please come forward as directed by the ushers. To receive the bread, hold out your hands and the clergy will place it on your palm without touching your hands. The celebrant will take a sip of the wine on behalf of the congregation.*

*If you prefer not to receive the Communion, you may come forward placing your hands over your chest, and the clergy will be glad to offer you a blessing.*

1 "I come," the great Re - deem - er cries, "to do thy will, O Lord!"  
 2 "Thus it be - comes us to ful - fill all right - eous - ness," he said.  
 3 Hark, a glad voice! The Fa - ther speaks from heaven's ex - alt - ed height:  
 4 The Sa - vior Je - sus, well - be - loved! His Name we will pro - fess,  
 5 No more we'll count our - selves our own but his in bonds of love.

1 At Jor - dan's stream, be - hold! He seals the sure pro - phet - ic word.  
 2 Then, faith - ful to the Lord's com - mands, through Jor - dan's flood was led.  
 3 "This is my Son, my well - be - loved, in whom I take de - light."  
 4 like him de - sir - ous to ful - fill God's will in right - eous - ness.  
 5 Oh, may such bonds for ev - er draw our souls to things a - bove!

*Please stand as you are able.*

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

*Celebrant*

Let us pray.

*All*

**Mysterious God, we thank you  
 for feeding us with yourself;  
 and for making yourself known to us  
 in the holy child Jesus, the Christ.  
 Let us carry within our hearts your Holy Spirit,  
 that same Spirit which was in Jesus,  
 so that that we may help bring your peace  
 to all the earth in Jesus' Name. Amen.**

**THE BLESSING** *The Celebrant blesses the People, who respond Amen.*

HYMN 135 Songs of thankfulness and praise

Salzburg

1 Songs of thank-ful - ness and praise, Jes - us, Lord, to thee we raise,  
 2 Man - i - fest at Jor - dan's stream, Pro-phet, Priest, and King su - preme;  
 3 Man - i - fest in mak - ing whole pal - sied limbs and faint - ing soul;  
 4 Man - i - fest on moun - tain height, shin - ing in re - splen - dent light,

man - i - fest - ed by the star to the sa - ges from a - far;  
 and at Ca - na, wed - ding - guest, in thy God - head man - i - fest;  
 man - i - fest in val - iant fight, quell - ing all the dev - il's might;  
 where dis - ci - ples filled with awe thy trans - fi - gured glo - ry saw.

branch of roy - al Da - vid's stem in thy birth at Beth - le - hem;  
 man - i - fest in power di - vine, chang - ing wa - ter in - to wine;  
 man - i - fest in gra - cious will, ev - er bring - ing good from ill;  
 When from there thou led - dest them stead - fast to Je - ru - sa - lem,

an - thems be to thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
 an - thems be to thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
 an - thems be to thee ad - dressed, God in man made man - i - fest.  
 cross and Eas - ter Day at - test God in man made man - i - fest.

## THE DISMISSAL

*One*            Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
*People*        **Thanks be to God.**

## POSTLUDE

*Toccatà in E Major*

*J. S. Bach (1685-1750)*

Special thanks to our guest organist, Ed Jennings!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Check our weekly email\* for more details.

**Sunday, January 09**

4:30 p.m.

Sequoias Vespers

**Tuesday, January 11**

9:30 a.m.

Zoom Outreach Meeting

**Saturday, January 22**

2:00 p.m.

Services for The Rev. John Oda Burns

**Sunday, January 23**

5 p.m.

Confirmation Class

**Sunday, January 28**

5 p.m.

Youth Group

**Sunday, January 30**

*Annual Meeting*

**Orange:** Outreach events

**Green:** Church events

**Yellow:** Youth events

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