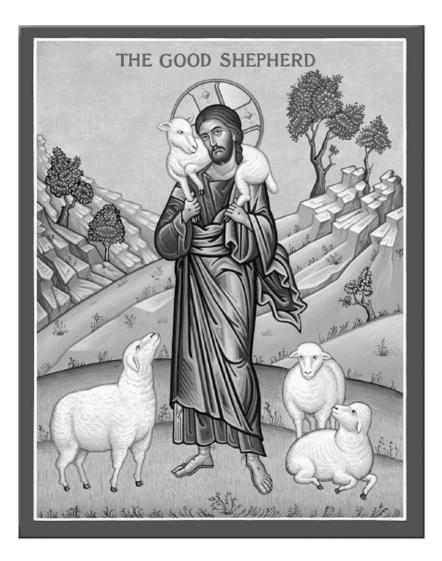
# EPIPHANY Seattle



# The Fourth Sunday of Easter

HOLY EUCHARIST April 21, 2024 at 8:45 am

#### When Caught Between a New Idea and a Fixed Idea, Be As Jesus Would Be

Dear Epiphany,

I was on the phone with a former parishioner earlier in the week. She moved to the far end of the South Sound a while back, but hasn't found her new Epiphany, so reached out to me in a time of need. During the conversation, she told me about a conversation she was a part of at her beauty salon. The topic fell under the rubric of all things LGBTQ.

It was disquieting to her, because so much of the room's opinion revolved around their own Christian perspective. The tension for her was that while she too is a deeply faithful Christian, she held a very different opinion of LGBTQ identity.

It was as if she had been put in a time machine that sent her back to the 17th century. Up until the Middle Ages, God was known to be the creator of all things, the orienting point for all things, and the thing to which all things moved toward. Galileo disrupted this perspective by shifting final causality to efficient causality, which is to say, the primary question became *how* something moves, not *why* something moves. The fixed cosmology of theology was shattered by the position of the sun, and a war began between science and religion.

Descartes did everything in his power to settle the situation. The Jesuit trained philosopher sought to move the center of the cosmos from the planets to the human mind: "I think therefore I am," replacing the sun with the human as the center(s) of creation. The subjectivity of this perspective, however, unintentionally further displaced the *why* of God, to the observational *how* of science. Then Darwin arrived and posited that human-ity was simply a link in the chain of natural, material movement toward some evolutionary end... and the why seemed to further dissipate into the ether of public relevance.

And so, my friend found herself in an ancient struggle within a new context, that of human gender identity, with the pressing question being: Is human gender a fixed proposition, or a moving, evolving revelation? If completely fixed (by God), then deviation from this fixed standard is against God's will. If this position is claimed, it is very difficult to move someone off it. It is as fixed as the earth was to the center of the cosmos in the 17th century.

Jesus found himself in that situation often. The fixed system he was coming up against was the hierarchy of holiness based on the measure of one's privilege. The greater the privilege, the greater one is loved by God. While Jesus always stayed in conversation with the community that held this static idea, he propagated a different insight—that to be alive, breathing, and present in the world was to be immeasurably and immutably loved by God. Furthermore, as a human being made in the image and likeness of God, every living person is a soul inalterably connected to God.

While this insight isn't an argument that would necessarily convince someone to change their understanding of gender identity, it is a way of being that radically includes both the person with a fixed idea, and the person who experiences their gender, beyond outward appearances in some cases, as core to how God created them. It is this broad embrace that is modeled by Jesus, showing how the *why* and the *how* are both the same, inextricably anchored to the deeper connectivity of God's divine love.

Jesus is the model we seek to emulate as Christians. When we find ourselves in a situation caught between a fixed idea and a new perspective be as Jesus would be.

Peace upon your souls. Doyt+

### THE GATHERING

We invite you to help create the experience of silence before our service. Our hope is to calm our hearts as we prepare to enter into an intensity of shared presence. Thank you for turning off all electronic devices.

#### VOLUNTARY: Variations on Psalm 23

Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck (1562-1621)

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

At the sound of the bell, all rise as able. HYMN 518: Christ is made the sure foundation

Westminster Abbey



Presider Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

*Presider* 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.** 





PresiderThe Lord be with you.AllAnd also with you.PresiderLet us pray.

#### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

All O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### All are seated. THE LESSON: 1 John 3:16-24

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

LectorThe Word of the Lord.AllThanks be to God.

#### The people stand as able and sing. HYMN 645: The King of love my shepherd is



Words: Henry Williams Baker (1821-77) Music: Irish melody

#### THE GOSPEL: John 10:11-18

GospelerThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.AllGlory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."

Gospeler	The Gospel of the Lord.
All	Praise to you, Lord Christ.

#### THE SERMON: The Reverend Lex Breckinridge

Reflective silence and stillness are kept after the sermon.

Sermon Notes

The people stand to say **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

The intercessor and people pray responsively.

Intercessor Gathered in the care of the good shepherd who laid down his life for the sheep, let us pray to God who knows our every need.

The people remain standing or kneel.

- *Intercessor* For the holy catholic church throughout the world, sharing the death and resurrection of Christ, let us pray to the Lord.
- All Lord, graciously hear us.
- Intercessor For the nominees for the next bishop of the Diocese of Olympia and those who will choose our next bishop, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries, let us pray to the Lord.

#### All Lord, graciously hear us.

- Intercessor For the world and its leaders, our nation and its people, we pray especially for peace in Ukraine and Israel/ Palestine, let us pray to the Lord.
- All Lord, graciously hear us.

	Intercessor	For all who struggle to establish greater peace upon earth, especially those who serve in the military, those on missions of hope and mercy, and their families, let us pray to the Lord.				
	All	Lord, graciously hear us.				
	Intercessor	For all those in need, the suffering and the oppressed, those who are sick and hospitalized, especially Briggs, Jim, Nancy, Chev, Rich, Suzi, Bev, Susannah, William, Susan, Thurston, John, Amber, and Cheryl, let us pray to the Lord.				
	All	Lord, graciously hear us.				
	Intercessor	For those who rest in Christ and for all the departed, especially Marge Lutton, let us pray to the Lord.				
	All	Lord, graciously hear us.				
	Intercessor	For those on our hearts, offering intercession and solace, comfort and healing, praise and thanksgiving, for those we now name silently or aloud.				
The people may add their own petitions.						
	Intercessor	Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;				
	All	Who put their trust in you.				

#### The presider adds a concluding Collect.

*Presider* Blessed are you, O Lord our God, who soothes our head with oil and fills our cup with wine. Hear the prayers we offer for every need, and revive us with your Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

The people stand.

#### THE PEACE

PresiderThe peace of the Lord be always with you.AllAnd also with you.

The ministers and people greet one another in the name of Christ.

## THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

#### **OFFERTORY SENTENCE**

*Presider* Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.



The offertory is the time during the service when we give offerings to God, acknowledging that all we have comes from God. The choir offers their gift of music, and this is our opportunity to offer thanks to God through a monetary gift to support the ministries of Epiphany. Active Epiphany parishioners make an annual pledge commitment toward the vitality of our ministries. In some cases pledging parishioners also make a financial contribution at the offertory. Money placed in the hunger basket at Communion supports our outreach ministry of feeding those in need. You may use the QR code, either during the anthem or later at your convenience, or place your offering in the offering plate as it is passed.

#### **OFFERTORY ANTHEM:** The Lord my Shepherd

The Lord my Shepherd guards me well, and all my wants are fed: amid green pastures made to lie, beside still waters led. My careworn soul grows strong and whole when God's true path I tread.

Though I should walk in darkest ways through valleys like the grave, no evil shall I ever fear; your presence makes me brave. On my behalf your rod and staff assure me you will save.

For me a table has been spread where all my foes can see; you bathe my head with fragrant oil to soothe and honor me. My heart and cup are both filled up with joyful ecstasy.

Your steadfast love will follow me to shield me all my days and bring me to your holy house, redeemed from error's ways, my whole life long to join the song of those who sing God's praise.

Darlene Franz, oboe

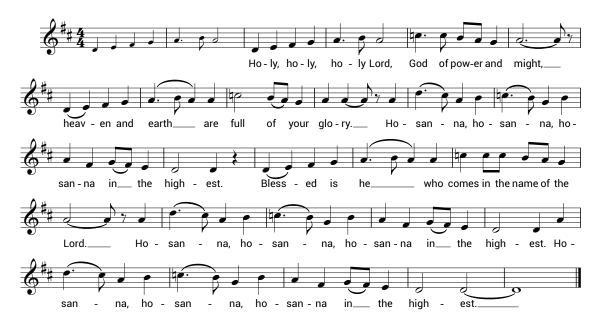
The people stand.

#### **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A**

Presider	The Lord be with you.
All	And also with you.
Presider	Lift up your hearts.
All	We lift them to the Lord.
Presider	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All	It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

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:



The people stand or kneel. Then the Presider continues.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

#### Presider and people

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him.

#### Presider and people

Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

#### Presider

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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**.

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER said by 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.

#### **BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

#### FRACTION ANTHEM: Christ our Passover

Frank Boles

The refrain is sung once by the cantor and then by all, and again after the verse.



#### THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*Presider* 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.

All are invited to receive the Holy Communion. It is your choice as to whether you receive Holy Communion or a blessing. You may receive Communion or a blessing at the standing station in the front of the nave or proceed to the altar rail. The bread will be placed in your palm. You may consume the bread and then drink from the chalice (please grasp the bottom of the chalice firmly and guide it to your lips); or, you may leave the bread in your palm for the chalice bearer to dip it into the wine and place it on your tongue. Self-intinction is strongly discouraged by the Episcopal church. The people's response to receiving the bread and the wine is "Amen." Gluten-free wafers are available. To indicate to the Eucharistic minister that you would like a gluten-free wafer, please present your hands palms down. Those who do not wish to receive Communion are invited to come forward for a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest.

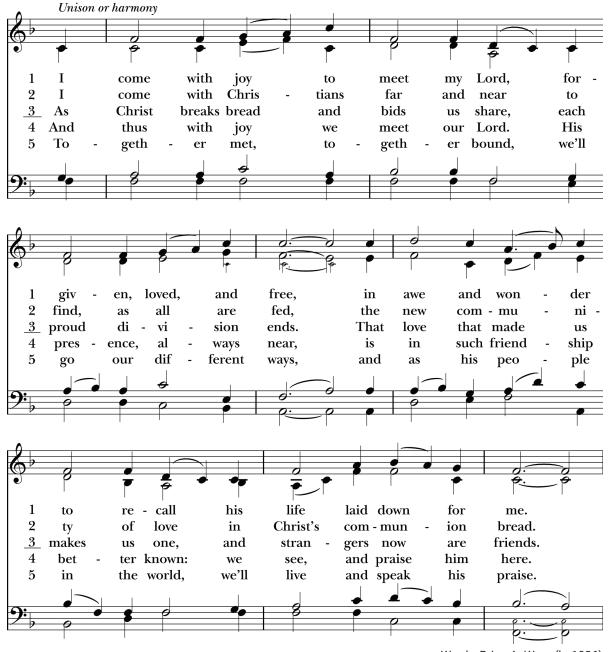
#### MUSIC AT COMMUNION-The Lamb

John Tavener (1944-2013)

Little Lamb who made thee? Dost thou know who made thee? Gave thee life & bid thee feed. By the stream & o'er the mead; Gave thee clothing of delight, Softest clothing wooly bright; Gave thee such a tender voice, Making all the vales rejoice! Little Lamb who made thee? Dost thou know who made thee? Little Lamb I'll tell thee, Little Lamb I'll tell thee! He is called by thy name, For he calls himself a Lamb: He is meek & he is mild, He became a little child: I a child & thou a lamb, We are called by his name. Little Lamb God bless thee. Little Lamb God bless thee.

#### Hymn 304: I come with joy to meet my Lord

Land of Rest



Words: Brian A. Wren (b. 1936) Music: American folk melody

#### The people stand as able. **POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER**

Presider Let us pray.

All Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

#### THE BLESSING

*Presider* The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you, and remain with you always. **Amen.** 

#### HYMN 334: Praise the Lord, rise up rejoicing

Alles ist an Gottes Segen



Music: melody att. Johann Balthasar Konig (1691-1758)

#### DISMISSAL

MinisterLet us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!AllThanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleuia!

After the procession has led the way out of the church, we invite you to remain for the Voluntary or depart quietly.

#### **VOLUNTARY:** Ceremonial March

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Herbert Sumsion (1928-67)

#### PARISH PRAYER LIST

#### WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHOSE BIRTHDAYS FALL BETWEEN APRIL 21 AND APRIL 27

Elin Moseberry, Ron Lee, Mary McGuire, Joel Melin, Zane Davis, Wylie Davis, Peter Bellinger, Isobel Moure, Fletcher Weld, Lucas King, Libby Goldstein, Monique Richards Lipman, Matias Stiff

#### WE PRAY FOR THOSE ON THE DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

St. Bede's, Port Orchard St. Paul's, Port Townsend St. Luke's, Sequim

#### WE PRAY FOR THOSE IN OUR PARISH WHO ARE ILL OR GRIEVING

Cheryl Morgan, Eileen Riley, The Osterlind Family, Steve, Lynn Manley, Alice Foreman, Thomas, John Kirkpatrick, Barbara Lock, Amber Gregory, Dennis Hogan, Jessica Khan, Arthur Sullivan, Linda Baker, Bill Hess, Jane Hess, Jeremy Bacon, Janet Salisbury, Norma Lorenzana, Janet Hoehne, Bill Ingham, Cooper Sayer, Kathleen Balducci, Lisa Robertson, Ava Hall, Mary Magee, John, Joanna Reams, The Most Reverend Michael Curry, Mary Jo, Kris, Fr. Michael, Faye, Joel Connelly, David Ferguson, Joleen Hiltner, Justin, Denise Glasco, Chris, Paul Wyckoff, Peter, Thurston Roach, Martha Sampson, Sally Holford, Kweko Andoh, Sr., Jeannine Black, Kate, Tim Hall, Suzi Hill, Lynn Pitchford, Susan Pitchford, William, Rich, Bev, Nancy Burns, Jim Burns, Briggs Tinsley

#### WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Hal Moore, Roger Pinckney, Tom Luethy, Marjorie Lutton

Are you or a loved one in need of some extra, tender loving care? Pastoral Care Ministries at Epiphany can reach out through a written prayer, a Eucharistic visit, a phone call, a greeting card, a bouquet of Epiphany flowers, a prayer shawl, and/or a meal delivered. Please contact Diane Carlisle at *dcarlisle@epiphanyseattle.org* 

# SPRING CONCERT: **BACH'S MAGNIFICAT &** HANDEL'S GLORIA

APRIL 26 & 27 7:30 PM

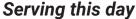
Epiphany's world class choir and baroque orchestra will join with four superb soloists for a evening featuring mesmerizing Bach's magnificent Magnificat, Handel's glorious Gloria, and Charpentier's awe-inspiring Te Deum. This concert is a rare opportunity to hear masterworks by three of the Baroque era's greatest composers, each work representative of their unique style.



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#### Weekly Offerings at Epiphany

#### Adult Formation | Sundays (except First Sundays, when there is a brunch) | 10:00 am | Great Hall

Join others for an hour of learning. Topics vary each week from spiritual formation, human interest, current affairs, and more.

#### Choral Evensong | Sundays | 5:30–6:30 pm | Church and YouTube

Sung at the close of day in cathedrals and churches throughout the world, Choral Evensong is a service of Evening Prayer, derived from the ancient offices of Vespers and Compline. The choir sings the traditional evening prayers of the church that have been offered for centuries, while the congregation listens, joins in the hymns, and adds their own prayers to those of the choir.

#### Chapel Open | Monday through Friday | 9:00 am-4:00 pm | Chapel

The chapel as a place for prayer is open during the week. Come by and sit in this sacred space. Occasionally the chapel will be closed for other events; during these times we will open the church.

#### C. S. Lewis Minyan | Thursdays | 8:40–9:40 am | Christie House Library and Zoom

Jonathan Roberts

This minyan meets in person and online. If you would like to be on the email distribution list and receive notes each week or you would like the Zoom link please email Jonathan Roberts at *Jonro@rprime.com*.

#### All Threads Together | Thursdays | 10:00-noon | Christie House Library

Bring your latest needle craft project to our weekly meetings of fellowship and fun. We work on individual projects as well as prayer shawls and hats for local ministries. All are welcome!

#### Zoom Bible Study | Thursdays | 11:00-noon | Zoom

Join other parishioners from Epiphany and parishioners from St. John's in Essex, Connecticut for a Zoom only study class on the Bible. This class will look in depth at some of the stories from the previous week's reading from the Year in the Bible. Please contact Lisa Ozaeta at *lisa@epiphanyseattle.org* for information and the Zoom link.

#### Bible Study | Fridays | 10:30–11:30 am | Christie House Library and Zoom

#### The Rev. Doyt Conn, Jr.

The Bible is the core document that defines the framework in which followers of Jesus live. And so, this class is not just about becoming familiar with the Bible, it is about unpacking it and pulling it apart, and seeking out links and allusions and associations between different parts of the Bible. This Bible study is a journey into words and meaning and characters, and the context behind them. We do not rush things in this class, and furthermore, because of the slow pace and our theological orientation, you can drop in and quickly find your way, even if you haven't been attending the class. Come be part of this biblical quest of Christian meaning, understanding, and relevance with the Rev. Doyt Conn. All are welcome. Contact Diane Carlisle at **verger@epiphany-seattle.org** for information and the Zoom link.

#### Today at Epiphany

#### Adult Formation: A Dinner Party with C. S. Lewis | 10:00-10:45 am | Great Hall

Jonathan Roberts

Jonathan will outline the background for a play which imagines a dinner party hosted at the Kilns between C. S. Lewis, Joy Davidman, and Will and Ariel Durant. It would occur in 1958 or 59. It brings together the foremost historian and atheist of the era with the foremost Christian Apologist. Freud's Last Session imagined a meeting between Freud and C. S. Lewis (*https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Freud%27s\_Last\_Session*), and it is the model for Jonathan's Creative Brief.

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#### **Upcoming Special Events**

#### Cathedral Day | April 27 | 10:30 am | St. Mark's Cathedral

Cathedral Day is a "family reunion" for Episcopalians from across western Washington. It's a time for connecting across congregations and experiencing all your cathedral has to offer. This year, for Cathedral Day in the Diocese of Olympia, all are encouraged to consider the day's journey as a pilgrimage to your cathedral. Come and see... Epiphany will have 17 youth and adults being confirmed or received by the Bishop Provisional. If you register you will receive a coupon for lunch at one of several food trucks who will be at the cathedral following the service. There will also be many activities for people of all ages. You may register by going to: **ecww.org/cathedral-day-2024**/

#### Parents' Night Out | Sunday | April 28 | 5:00-7:00 pm | Great Hall

Parent's night out is a unique event where parents of children 12 and under can drop off their kids at the church for up to two hours free of charge, allowing the parent(s) to be free to do other activities. It is essentially free babysitting for the kids. Parents can spend their time doing things like going on a date with their spouse, shopping without kids, attending Evensong, or just having a break from parenting. The children will enjoy things like games, crafts, activities, and other supervised fun. We have staff who are trained and will watch and care for your young ones while you are out. We will even provide a meal for the kids so you do not need to worry about feeding them before you come.

Check in or out anytime between 5:00 pm and 7:00 pm (you do not need to use the full 3 hours). Kids checked in by 5:00 pm will be provided a meal. The cost is FREE! (including the meal!). Reservations in advance are REQUIRED. Signing up in advance is so important because it gives us an accurate number and helps us to prepare for who is coming. Please contact Amanda at **amanda@epiphanyseattle.org** or call 206-992-0427 to sign up, for more information, and for volunteer opportunities.



# HAVE A RELATA EXPERIENCE: SIGN UP FOR RBT TODAY!

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### *Relata* means things in relationship, all at the same time. We (humans) are included in all things, all at the same time.

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Any time during the year, except for the seasons of Advent and Lent, you can remember a special person or event by donating to the Epiphany Parish Flower and Liturgy Fund. Perhaps you would like to acknowledge the birth of a baby, a marriage, or a loved one now departed, in our Sunday service bulletins.

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