



Jesus heals the ten lepers and one turns back, praising God, German, Codex Aureus of Echternach, c. 1030, Manuscript, Germanisches Nationalmuseum, Nuremberg

The Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

11 a.m. Solemn High Mass + October 9, 2022

Church of the Ascension, Chicago

This week's Calendar

Sun Oct 9 18th Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 23C) 9 a.m. & 11 a.m., Rosary

Wed Oct 12 Wednesday evening Mass: Edith Cavell, Nurse, 6:30 p.m.

Fri Oct 14 Bible Study: Book of Revelation via Zoom 10 a.m. with St. Chrysostom's

Sun Oct 16 19th Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 24C) 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.

The Rosary

The Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary will be prayed at the Shrine of Saint Mary the Virgin immediately following the 11 a.m. Mass. All are invited to join.

Book of Revelation Bible Study

Join in a study of the Book of Revelation on Friday at 10 am via Zoom with nearby St. Chrysostom's. (See TWAA newsletter for the link.)

Please silence all electronic devices that may distract you or others from worship.

Cameras in the church are for the purposes of live-streaming and/or recording our liturgies and music, but anyone in the church may be incidentally viewed.



ORGAN

Pastorella BWV 590

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

I. Pastorale II. Allegro III. Adagio

ENTRANCE RITE

Please stand as you are able as the Ministers enter. The Altar, Ministers and People are asperged, sprinkled with holy water, a reminder of our baptism as we prepare to worship God. During the Introit, the Altar is censed.

Opening Hymn 372

LEONI

Introit "Si iniquitates" (Ps. 130) Mode III

Si iniquitates observaveris Domine, Domine quis sustinebit? Quia apud te propitiatio est, Deus Israel. Ps. De profundis clamavi ad te Domine: Domine exaudi vocem meam. V. Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto. Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in saecula saeculorum. Amen. Si iniquitates ...

If thou, O Lord, wilt be extreme to mark what is done amiss, O Lord, who may abide it? For there is mercy with thee, O God of Israel. Ps. Out of the deep have I called unto thee, O Lord: Lord, hear my voice. V. Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen. If thou ...

The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant

Bless - ed be God: Father, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit.

People

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ev - er. A - men.

The Celebrant may say

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.**

Kyrie eleison

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Setting: Healey Willan (1880-1968) *Missa Brevis* No. 2 in F minor

Gloria in excelsis Deo



1. Glo - ry be to God on high, and on earth peace,
good will towards men. 2. We praise thee, we bless thee,
we wor - ship thee, we glo - ri - fy thee, we give
thanks to thee for thy great glo - ry, 3. O Lord God, heaven - ly
King, God the Fa-ther Al - might - y.
4. O Lord, the on - ly be - got - ten Son, Je - sus Christ;
5. O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, that
ta - kest a - way the sins of the world, have mer - cy up -

on us. 6. Thou that ta - kest a - way the sins of the

world, re - ceive our prayer. 7. Thou that sit - test at the

right hand of God the Fa - ther, have mer - cy up - on us.

8. For thou on - ly art ho - ly; thou on - ly art the Lord; 9. thou

on - ly, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost, art most

high in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. —

A - - - - - men.

The Salutation and The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The people sit.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The First Lesson

Ruth 1:1-19a

In the days when the judges ruled, there was a famine in the land, and a certain man of Bethlehem in Judah went to live in the country of Moab, he and his wife and two sons. The name of the man was Elimelech and the name of his wife Naomi, and the names of his two sons were Mahlon and Chilion; they were Ephrathites from Bethlehem in Judah. They went into the country of Moab and remained there. But Elimelech, the husband of Naomi, died, and she was left with her two sons. These took Moabite wives; the name of the one was Orpah and the name of the other Ruth. When they had lived there about ten years, both Mahlon and Chilion also died, so that the woman was left without her two sons and her husband. Then she started to return with her daughters-in-law from the country of Moab, for she had heard in the country of Moab that the LORD had considered his people and given them food. So she set out from the place where she had been living, she and her two daughters-in-law, and they went on their way to go back to the land of Judah. But Naomi said to her two daughters-in-law, "Go back each of you to your mother's house. May the LORD deal kindly with you, as you have dealt with the dead and with me. The LORD grant that you may find security, each of you in the house of your husband." Then she kissed them, and they wept aloud. They said to her, "No, we will return with you to your people." But Naomi said, "Turn back, my daughters, why will you go with me? Do I still have sons in my womb that they may become your husbands? Turn back, my daughters, go your way, for I am too old to have a husband. Even if I thought there was hope for me, even if I should have a husband tonight and bear sons, would you then wait until they were grown? Would you then refrain from marrying? No, my daughters, it has been far more bitter for me than for you, because the hand of the LORD has turned against me." Then they wept aloud again. Orpah kissed her mother-in-law, but Ruth clung to her. So she said, "See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law." But Ruth said, "Do not press me to leave you or to turn back from following you! Where you go, I will go; Where you lodge, I will lodge; your people shall be my people, and your God my God. Where you die, I will die—there will I be buried. May the LORD do thus and so to me, and more as well, if even death parts me from you!" When Naomi saw that she was determined to go with her, she said no more to her. So the two of them went on until they came to Bethlehem.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual “Ecce quam bonum” (Ps. 133) Mode I

Ecce quam bonum, et quam iucundum habitare fratres in unum!

Behold, how good and joyful a thing it is, brethren, to dwell together in unity!

The Epistle

2 Timothy 2:3-15

Share in suffering like a good soldier of Christ Jesus. No one serving in the army gets entangled in everyday affairs; the soldier's aim is to please the enlisting officer. And in the case of an athlete, no one is crowned without competing according to the rules. It is the farmer who does the work who ought to have the first share of the crops. Think over what I say, for the Lord will give you understanding in all things. Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; if we are faithless, he remains faithful—for he cannot deny himself. Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able.

Alleluia “Qui timent Dominum” (Ps. 115) Mode I

Alleluia, alleluia. V. Qui timent Dominum, sperent in eo: adiutor et protector eorum est. Alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia. V. Ye that fear the Lord, put your trust in the Lord: he is their helper and defender. Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel

Luke 17:11-19

Deacon The Lord be with you. *People* **And also with you.**

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!” When he saw them, he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus’ feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, “Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?” Then he said to him, “Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.”

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

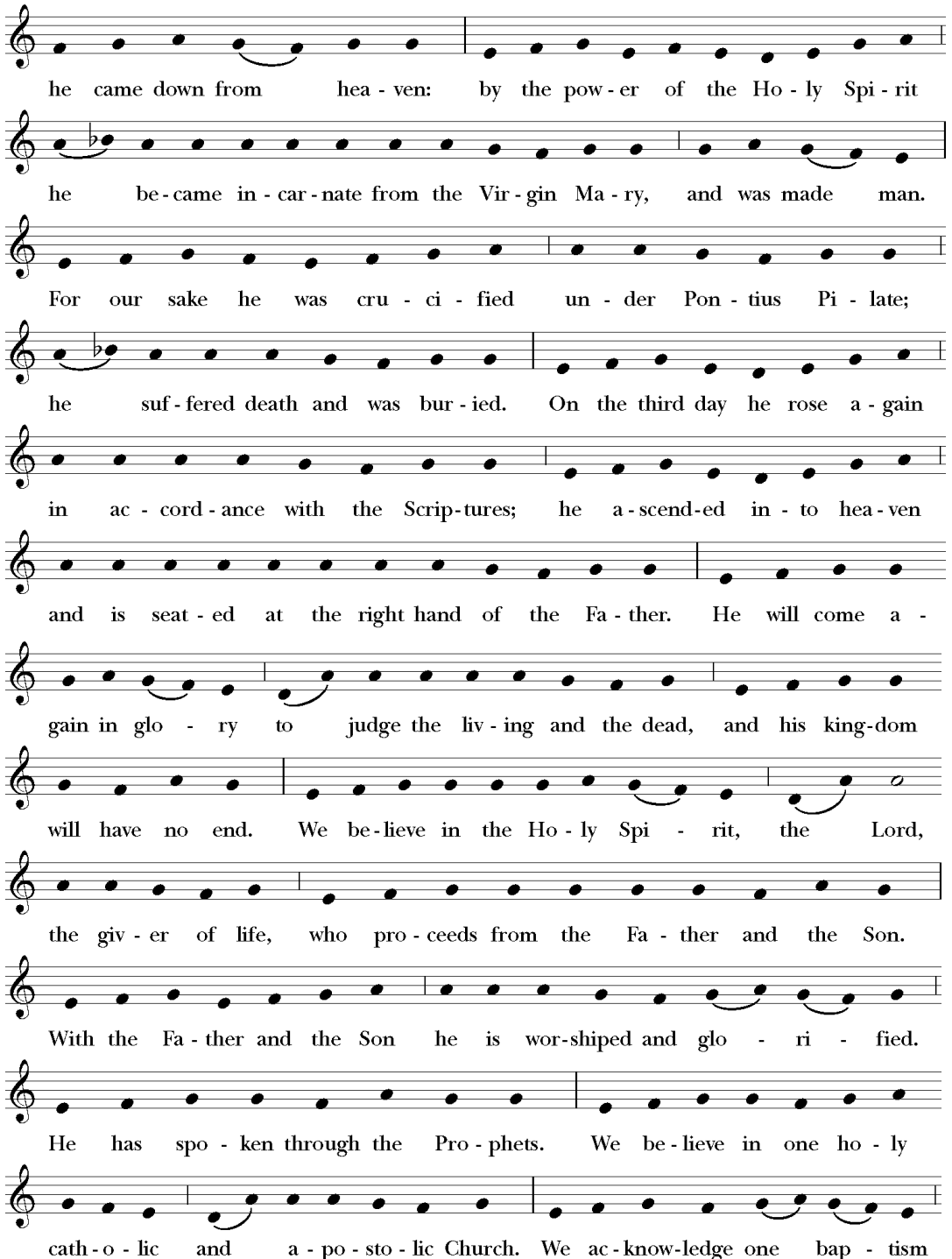
The Sermon

The Rev. Meghan Murphy-Gill

The Nicene Creed (S-104 Contemporary) *Please stand as you are able.*



The musical notation consists of six staves of music, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The notes are primarily quarter and eighth notes, with some rests. The lyrics are written below the staves, aligned with the notes. The text is: We be - lieve in one God, the Fa - ther, the Al-might - y, ma - ker of hea - ven and earth, of all that is, seen and un - seen. We be - lieve in one Lord, Je - sus Christ, the on - ly Son of God, e - ter - nal - ly be - got - ten of the Fa - ther, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, be - got - ten, not made, of one Be - ing with the Fa - ther. Through him all things were made. For us and for our sal - va - tion



he came down from hea - ven: by the pow - er of the Ho - ly Spi - rit

he be - came in - car - nate from the Vir - gin Ma - ry, and was made man.

For our sake he was cru - ci - fied un - der Pon - tius Pi - late;

he suf - fered death and was bur - ied. On the third day he rose a - gain

in ac - cord - ance with the Scrip - tures; he a - scend - ed in - to hea - ven

and is seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther. He will come a -

gain in glo - ry to judge the liv - ing and the dead, and his king - dom

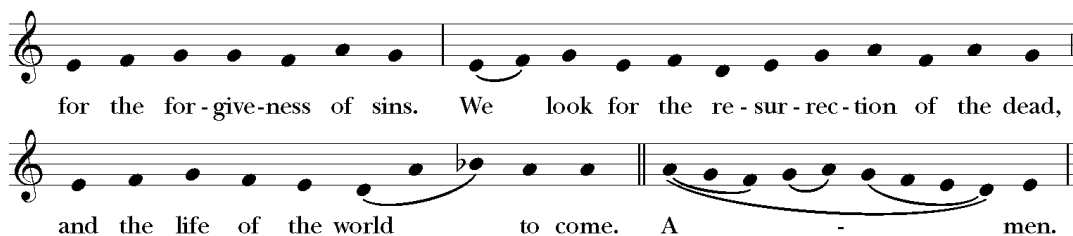
will have no end. We be - lieve in the Ho - ly Spi - rit, the Lord,

the giv - er of life, who pro - ceeds from the Fa - ther and the Son.

With the Fa - ther and the Son he is wor - shiped and glo - ri - fied.

He has spo - ken through the Pro - phets. We be - lieve in one ho - ly

cath - o - lic and a - po - sto - lic Church. We ac - know - ledge one bap - tism



The Prayers of the People

Form VI (BCP p. 392)

The Leader and People pray responsively

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael, our Presiding Bishop and Primate,
Paula, our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

Leader and People

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Celebrant stands and 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

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**



Then the Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory “Recordare mei” (Esth. 14) Mode I

Recordare mei, Domine, omni potentatui dominans: da sermonem rectum in os meum, ut placeant verba mea in conspectu principis.

Remember me, O Lord, King of all power: and give me eloquent speech in my mouth, that my words may be pleasing in thy sight.

Offertory Motet

Behold, how good and joyful a thing it is: brethren, to dwell together in unity!

Like as the dew of Hermon: which fell upon the hill of Sion.

For there the Lord promised his blessing: and life for evermore.

Setting: Jonathan Battishill (1738-1801) *Behold, how good and joyful*

Psalm 133: 1, 3-4 English from the 1662 BCP

Offertory Hymn 382

GENERAL SEMINARY

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer B (BCP p. 367)

Orate Fratres *Please stand as you are able.*

Celebrant Pray, beloved, that this my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to
God the Father Almighty.

People **May the Lord receive this sacrifice at your hands, to the praise and
glory of his Name, both to our benefit and that of all his holy Church.**

Celebrant Amen.

Sursum Corda

The musical notation for the Sursum Corda section consists of four staves, each with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature (C). The notation is written in a simple, accessible style, using quarter notes, half notes, and whole notes, with some beams connecting notes. The lyrics are written below the notes, with the Celebrant's part on the left and the People's part on the right.

Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

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; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of 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:

Sanctus and Benedictus

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of Hosts:

Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord most High.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Setting: Healey Willan (1880-1968) *Missa Brevis* No. 2 in F minor


The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant 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."

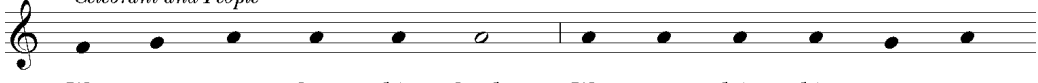
After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Celebrant




There - fore, ac - cord - ing to his com - mand, O Fa - ther,

Celebrant and People



We re - mem - ber his death, We pro - claim his re - sur -



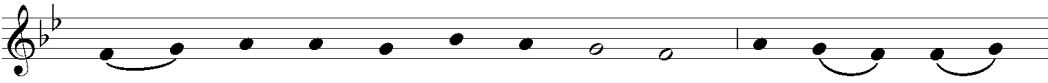
rec - tion, We a - wait his com - ing in glo - ry.

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 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.**


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




Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed



be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,



on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our



dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,

as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead
us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us
from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,
and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

The Breaking of the Bread

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

Celebrant
Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
People
There - fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.

Invitation to Communion

Celebrant Behold the Lamb of God; behold him that takes away the sins of the world. Happy are they who are called to his supper.

Lord, I am not worthy that you should come under my roof.

People **But speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.**

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Agnus Dei

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world: have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world: have mercy upon us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world: grant us thy peace.

Setting: Healey Willan (1880-1968) *Missa Brevis* No. 2 in F minor

- † All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion, and all may come forward. Those who are not baptized or who do not wish to take Communion may indicate a desire for a blessing by crossing arms on the chest upon approaching the priest.
- If you prefer not to receive the Chalice, please cross your arms on your chest and remain until the minister has said the words of reception, “The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation.” If you desire to receive by intinction, please present the host to the minister so that it may be dipped and placed on your tongue.
 - Please alert an usher if you need the Sacrament brought to you in the pew.

Communion Motet

Ave verum corpus, natum de Maria Virgine, vere passum, immolatum in cruce pro homine, cuius latus perforatum fluxit sanguine: esto nobis praegustatum in mortis examine.

O Iesu dulcis, O Iesu pie, O Iesu, fili Mariae.
Miserere mei. Amen.

*Hail, true Body, born of the Virgin Mary, who has truly suffered,
was sacrificed on the cross for mortals, whose pierced side flowed with blood:
Be for us a foretaste [of Heaven] in the final judgement.*

*Oh sweet, oh pious, oh Jesus, son of Mary,
Have mercy on me. Amen.*

Setting: William Byrd (c. 1540-1623) *Ave verum corpus* .

Communion “Aufer a me” (Ps. 119) Mode II

Aufer a me opprobrium et contemptum quia mandata tua exquisivi, Domine: nam et testimonia tua meditatio mea est. Ps. Beati immaculati in via, qui ambulant in lege Domini. V. Beati qui scrutantur testimonia eius, in toto corde exquirent eum. V. Amputa opprobrium meum, quod suspicatus sum quia iudicia tua iucunda. V. Et ambulabam in latitudine, quia mandata tua exquisivi. V. Gloria Patri.

O turn from me shame and rebuke, for I have kept thy statutes, O Lord: for thy testimonies are my delight. Ps. Blessed are those that are undefiled in the way, and walk in the law of the Lord. V. Blessed are they that keep his testimonies, and seek him with their whole heart. V. Take away the rebuke that I am afraid of, for thy judgments are good. V. And I will walk at liberty, for I seek thy commandments. V. Glory be.

Communion Hymn 538

LUCERNA LAUDIONIAE

The Post-Communion Prayer

The People stand or kneel. The Celebrant says Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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

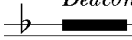










Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

The Priest blesses the People. The People respond, "Amen."

The People stand as they are able.

The Dismissal

<i>Deacon</i>						<i>People</i>						
												
Go	in	peace	to	love	and	serve	the	Lord.	Thanks	be	to	God.

Recessional Hymn 530

DANK SEI GOTT

ORGAN

Pastorella BWV 590

Johann Sebastian Bach

IV. Giga: Allegro



Please do remember your financial offerings to the church. At this time, they may be placed in the offering plates as they are passed. You may also write a check and mail it to the church or make a gift by scanning this QR Code.

Ascension Prayer List

For our prayers: Irma, Burton Nelson, Winslow, Pablo Illás, Victor Fernandez, Claire Green, Beth Hall, Sue Lenz, Brenda Martins, Lee Gould, Gertrude Isaac, Marty Stenson

Birthdays: David Alan Robertson, 10/10; Michael-Francis Smith OSB, 10/13; Colin DuClos, 10/13/2009

Anniversaries: Jim & DiAnne Walsh, *marriage*, 10/9/1976

Requiescat in pace: Kurt Allan Olson, *priest*, 10/12/2013; James F. Maclear, 10/14/1999; Arthur Taylor III, 10/15/1976; James Delano Abbott, 10/15/2007

New Ascension Parking Stickers

Ascension will be issuing new parking stickers to replace the current blue ones.

Applications are hard copy only and, unless special arrangements are made, can be picked up from a Sunday morning usher and then submitted in person to clergy, Sunday usher or at the church office. Completed applications with accompanying signature and date assure compliance with all requirements, limitations and responsibilities listed on the application form. New stickers will be mailed within two weeks of approval by the vestry. **The current Blue stickers will no longer be valid after Nov 30, 2022.**

Please contact Ken Cozette with questions: 630-660-5293 or cozetteken@yahoo.com

Prayer requests

Do you have a need for special prayer in your life? Whether your prayer needs are because you have an upcoming surgery, an ill family member, or you're just feeling particularly lonely lately, Fr. Heard and Mtr. Murphy-Gill would like to know.

We've created a way for letting us know about your requests for prayers in a way we hope makes it easy for you to reach out, though you can always call the church or reach out to one of the priests personally. Check out the link in TWAA to share your prayer requests.

Many thanks to those who serve: MB Hwang, Patrick Johnston, Joshua Simpson,

Andrew Smith, Mark Aparece, Elizabeth Simpson, Victoria Dvovich, *Acolytes*;

Cynthia Perrizo, *Lector*; Gary Alexander, Eric Canales, *Technology*;

Claire Green, Roberta Dawson, Cynthia Perrizo, *Ushers*,

George Dante Pineda, Christopher Raymond, Ruby Woods, *Coffee Hour*; Claire Green, *Flowers*

The Choir of the Ascension

Soprano Carolynne DalMonte, Alexia Rivera, Tiana Sorenson

Alto Amy Johnson, Cassidy Smith

Tenor Enrico Bellomo, Aaron Short

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Welcome to worship at the
Church of the Ascension
An Anglican-Episcopal parish in the
city and Diocese of Chicago

SOME WHO HAVE GATHERED HERE TODAY may have traveled from afar and visited before. Church of the Ascension has long been a destination for those who feel blessed by the Anglo-Catholic worship here. Others may have made a shorter trip, and those here for the first time may ask, “What’s Anglo-Catholic?” The term refers to two aspects of our history and ongoing faith and worship.

Anglican churches are those in the tradition of, and with ongoing ties to, the Church of England. (In the United States we are mainly called Episcopalians.)

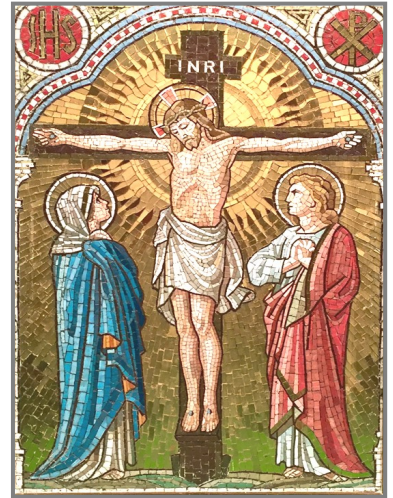
The ‘Catholic’ part of our identity is evident all around us here, in the church interior and in our worship.

- + We value and relish liturgy and music that engage and nourish the heart the mind and all the senses.
- + Our reverence for the sacrament of the Eucharist, the Mass, Christ’s Body and Blood, is emphasized by the architecture of the space and many elements of our worship.
- + We have a strong sense of taking part, as Christ’s people, in the Communion of Saints, including Blessed Mary and our patron saint, Michael the Archangel. Our faith is inspired and sustained by remembering the lives and witness of those who are now eternally with God.

We hope and pray that our sense of grateful, divine fellowship translates to our welcome of all and to faithfulness in the ministries that we share beyond our life of worship.

Your questions about our parish community, our worship and other ministries may be found by inquiring with our clergy or parishioners, or on our website – www.ascensionchicago.org.

Thank you and bless you for joining us.



The mosaic on the door of the altar tabernacle, Church of the Ascension

- **All baptized Christians are welcomed to receive Communion.** Others are welcomed to come forward at the time of Communion to receive a blessing.
- **Live-Streaming** of select liturgies is available on Facebook and YouTube. Links for these can be found on our website Home page.
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