



“The Harvest is plentiful, but the Laborers are few”
The Bedford Hours, c. 1410-1430, The British Library

The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
11 a.m. Solemn High Mass + July 3, 2022
Church of the Ascension, Chicago

July 4th Mass Schedule

On Monday, July 4, 2022 (Independence Day) there will be an In-person Said Mass at 12 Noon.

Acolytes Needed

In order to offer a Solemn High Mass in the manner most beloved by this congregation, we need acolytes. That means you! Thanks to illness and injury, seasonal travel, and the relocation of two former acolytes, we are in particular need for the summer.

Serving at the altar is a tremendous gift our acolytes offer to God and this community. Giving it a try one Sunday does not commit you to a lifetime of torchbearing, though, you may find that it's a ministry God has been calling you to. We also could use help with tech, a ministry that allows us to welcome worshippers from near and afar to our celebrations of the Eucharist.

I urge you to spend some time in prayer asking God whether you might serve in one of these ways, and to reach out to our Verger MB Hwang (quidquid@gmail.com) to find out how you can help.

—Mtr. Murphy-Gill

Pastoral Listening Sessions conclude on July 10

Join Fr. Petite at **1 p.m. in St. Michael Hall, Sunday, July 10**, for the last in his series on learning pastoral listening skills. This last session will cover two topics:

- Feelings as Messengers: *The Suffering is not your Problem to Solve*
- Prayer: *Entering the Canopy of Vulnerability*

Requiescat in pace

The Requiem Mass for the repose of the soul of **Ricardo Avila** will be here on July 8 at 11 a.m.

The Requiem Mass for the repose of the soul of **Fr. Wilton Bunch** will be here on July 16 at 11 a.m. with The Rt. Rev. Chilton Knudsen presiding.

Funeral arrangements for **Michael Paul Clark, Sr.** are still pending.

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.

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

Variations on *God Save the King* WoO 78 Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827)

ENTRANCE RITE

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

Opening Hymn 686

NETTLETON

Introit "Suscepimus" (Ps. 48) Mode I

Suscepimus, Deus, misericordiam tuam in medio templi tui: secundum nomen tuum Deus, ita et laus tua in fines terrae: iustitia plena est dextera tua. Ps. Magnus Dominus, et laudabilis nimis: in civitate Dei nostri, in monte sancto eius. V. Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto. Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in saecula saeculorum. Amen. Suscepimus ...

We have waited, O God, for thy loving-kindness in the midst of thy temple: according to thy Name, O God, so is thy praise unto the world's end: thy right hand is full of righteousness. Ps. Great is the Lord, and highly to be praised: in the city of our God, even upon his holy hill. 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. We have waited ...

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 Collect for Purity

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 Sung by all.

Organ *People*

Lord, have mer-cy, Lord, have mer-cy, Lord, have mer-cy.

Christ, have mer-cy, Christ, have mer-cy, Christ, have mer-cy.

Lord, have mer-cy, Lord, have mer-cy, Lord, have mer-cy.

Gloria in excelsis Deo

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, 7. you a - lone are the Most
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, 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.

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The people sit.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The First Lesson

Isaiah 66:10-16

Thus says the Lord: “Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her—that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious bosom. For thus says the LORD: I will extend prosperity to her like a river, and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm, and dangled on her knees. As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem. You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bodies shall flourish like the grass; and it shall be known that the hand of the LORD is with his servants, and his indignation is against his enemies. For the LORD will come in fire, and his chariots like the whirlwind, to pay back his anger in fury, and his rebuke in flames of fire. For by fire will the LORD execute judgment, and by his sword, on all flesh; and those slain by the LORD shall be many.”

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual “Esto mihi” (Ps. 31) Mode V

Esto mihi in Deum protectorem, et in locum refugii, ut salvum me facias.

Be thou my strong rock and house of defence, that thou mayest save me.

The Epistle

Galatians 6:1-10,14-18

My friends, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted. Bear one another’s burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor’s work, will become a cause for pride. For all must carry their own loads. Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher. Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest-time, if we do not give up. So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith. May I never boast of anything except the

cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God. From now on, let no one make trouble for me; for I carry the marks of Jesus branded on my body. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers and sisters. Amen.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

Alleluia “Magnus Dominus” (Ps. 48) Mode VII

Alleluia, alleluia. V. Magnus Dominus, et laudabilis valde, in civitate Dei, in monte sancto eius. Alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia. V. Great is the Lord, and highly to be praised: in the city of our God, even upon his holy hill. Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel

Luke 10:1-12,16-20

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.

After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘Peace to this house!’ And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to you.’ But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, ‘Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.’ I tell you, on that day it will be more tolerable

for Sodom than for that town. “Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me.” The seventy returned with joy, saying, “Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!” He said to them, “I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Thomas Heard

The Nicene Creed Sung in Monotone. Please stand as you are able.

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

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, Paula, our Bishop-elect, Chilton, our Assisting 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

Populum humilem salvum facies, Domine, et oculos superborum humiliabis:
quoniam quis Deus praeter te, Domine?

Thou shalt save the people that are in adversity, O Lord, and shalt bring down the high looks of the proud: for who is God, but the Lord?

Setting: Giovanni Battista Martini (1706-1784) *Populum humilem*

Offertory Hymn 636

FOUNDATION

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 image shows musical notation for the Sanctus. It consists of three staves of music. The first staff is for the *Celebrant*, the second for the *People*, and the third for the *People*. The music is in common time with a key signature of one flat. The lyrics are: "The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give him thanks and praise." The notation uses a mix of quarter and eighth notes, with various slurs and grace notes.

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. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. 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

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Holy, Holy, Holy'. It consists of three staves of music in G major, with lyrics written below each staff. The lyrics are:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and
might, hea - ven 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.

Each staff features a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a common time signature. The music is divided into measures by vertical bar lines. The lyrics are aligned with the music, with each word or phrase corresponding to a specific note or group of notes. The first two staves end with a repeat sign and a three-line brace, indicating a repeat of the previous section. The third staff ends with a final cadence and a three-line brace.

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.

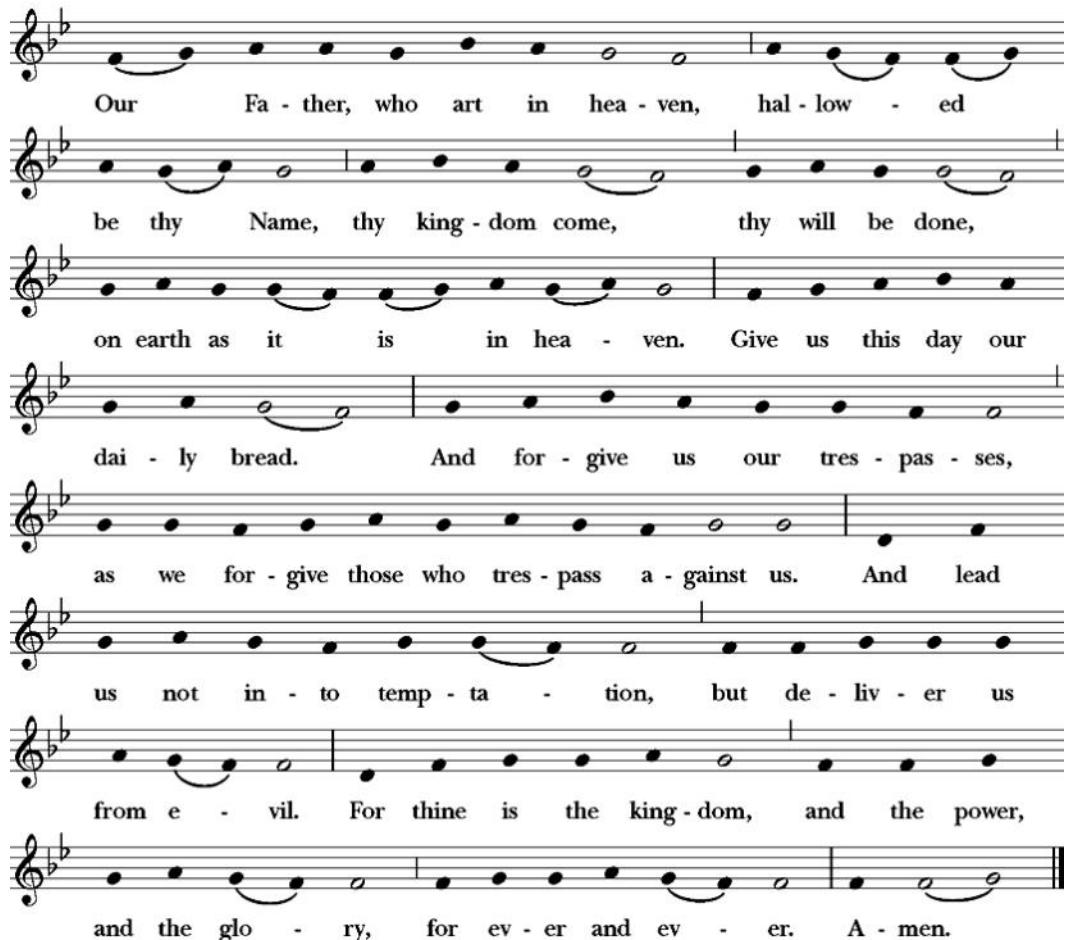
And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

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;

There - fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, you take a - way the

sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you

take a - way the sins of the world: have mer - cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

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.

- + Regrettably, the people may receive only the consecrated Communion host (and not the chalice) at this time.
- + Please alert an usher if you need the Sacrament brought to you in the pew.
- † 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.

THE COMMUNION

Communion “Gustate et videte” (Ps. 34) Mode III

Gustate et videte, quoniam suavis est Dominus: beatus vir, qui sperat in eo.

Ps. Benedicam Dominum in omni tempore, semper laus eius in ore meo. V. In Domino laudabitur anima mea, audiant mansueti et laetentur. V. Magnificate Dominum mecum, et exaltemus nomen eius in idipsum. V. Exquisivi Dominum, et exaudivit me, et ex omnibus tribulationibus meis eripuit me. V. Gloria Patri.

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is: blessed is he that putteth his trust in him. Ps. I will alway give thanks unto the Lord; his praise shall ever be in my mouth. V. My soul shall make her boast in the Lord; the humble shall hear thereof, and be glad. V. O praise the Lord with me, and let us magnify his Name together. V. I sought the Lord, and he heard me; yea he delivered me out of all my fear. V. Glory be.

Communion Motet

Almighty Father, incline thine ear: Bless us and all those who have gathered here. Thine angel send us, who shall defend us all. And fill with grace all who dwell in this place. Amen.

Setting: Leonard Bernstein (1918-1990) *Almighty Father* from *Mass* (1971)

Communion Hymn

DENNYSVILLE NEW



1. A - wake, thou Spi - rit of the watch-men who nev - er held their peace by day or night, con
 2. O Lord, now let thy fire en-kin - dle our hearts, that ev - ery - where its flame may go, and
 3. Send forth, O Lord, thystrong E - van - gel by ma - ny mes - sen - gers, all hearts to_ win; make



tend - ing from the walls of Zi - on a - gainst the foe, con fid - ing in thy_ might. Through
 spread the glo - ry of re - demp - tion till_ all the world thy sav - ing grace shall know. O
 haste to help us in our weak - ness; break down the realm of Sa - tan, death, and sin: the



out the world their cry is ring-ing still, and bring-ing peo - ples to thy ho - ly - will.
 har vest Lord, look down on us and view how fair the fields, the_ la - bor-ers how few!
 cir - cle of the earth shall then pro - claim thy king-dom and the_ glo - ry of thy Name.

The Post-Communion Prayer

After Communion, 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.

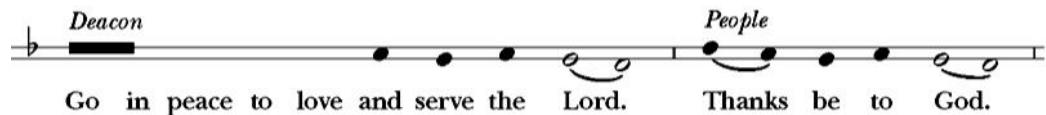
The Blessing

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

The Dismissal *Please stand as you are able.*

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.



Recessional Hymn 671

NEW BRITAIN

ORGAN Variations on *America* [1891]

Charles E. Ives (1874-1954)



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.

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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.
- Coffee Hour, Fellowship and Spiritual Formation opportunities are taking place via Zoom at this time. The Ascension Zoom link is always available at our website homepage or our weekly newsletter.
- Please ask an usher about a parking permit if your car will be in our parking lot after 1:30 pm today.