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The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Solemn High Mass + June 16, 2024 + 11 a.m.

Church of the Ascension, Chicago



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Sun Jun 16 The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

9 a.m. Sung Mass

10 a.m. Confession available

11 a.m. Solemn Mass

Following Mass, Open House tour of 1125 (the former St. Anne's Convent)

Please gather in the Our Lady of Victory Garden.

Sun Jun 23 The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

9 a.m. Sung Mass

10 a.m. Confession available

11 a.m. Solemn Mass

Please join us for Coffee Hour in the Our Lady of Victory Garden after the Mass.

If you are a visitor, please consider completing one of the blue visitor cards in the pews.

ORGAN

Fantasy (Partita) on St. *Flavian*

J. Healey Willan (1880-1968)

ENTRANCE RITE

Please stand as you are able as the Ministers enter. The Altar, Ministers and People are aspersed, sprinkled with holy water. During the Introit, the Altar is censed.

Opening Hymn 432

LAUDATE DOMINUM

Introit "Exaudi Domine" (Ps. 27) Mode IV

Exaudi Domine vocem meam, qua clamavi ad te: adiutor meus esto, ne derelinquas me, neque despicias me, Deus salutaris meus. Ps. Dominus illuminatio mea, et salus mea: quem timebo? V. Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto. Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in saecula saeculorum. Amen. Exaudi Domine ...

Hearken unto my voice, O Lord, when I cry unto thee: thou hast been my succour, leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation. Ps. The Lord is my light and my salvation: whom then shall I fear? 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. Hearken unto my voice ...

The Opening Acclamation

The musical notation is presented on two staves. The top staff is labeled "Celebrant" and the bottom staff is labeled "People". Both staves use a single line with a C-clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The Celebrant's part includes a repeat sign after "God:" and "Ho - ly". The People's part includes a repeat sign after "his kingdom," and "ev - er."

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

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.

Detailed description: This block contains the musical notation for the 'Kyrie eleison' section. It is written for Organ and People. The Organ part is in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. The People part is in the same key and time. The lyrics are: '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

Detailed description: This block contains the musical notation for the 'Gloria in excelsis Deo' section. It is written for a single voice part. The key is G major (one flat) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: '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'. There are triplets marked with a '3' and a bracket over the notes 'on - ly', 'Son of the', 'Lamb of', and 'you take'.

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.

Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, 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 Reading

Ezekiel 31:1-6,10-14

In the eleventh year, in the third month, on the first day of the month, the word of the LORD came to me: Mortal, say to Pharaoh king of Egypt and to his hordes: Whom are you like in your greatness? Consider Assyria, a cedar of Lebanon, with fair branches and forest shade, and of great height, its top among the clouds. The waters nourished it, the deep made it grow tall, making its rivers flow around the place it was planted, sending forth its streams to all the trees of the field. So it towered high above all the trees of the field; its boughs grew large and its branches long, from abundant water in its shoots. All the birds of the air made their nests in its boughs; under its branches all the animals of the field gave birth to their young; and in its shade all great nations lived. Therefore thus says the Lord GOD: Because it towered high and set its top among the clouds, and its heart was proud of its height, I gave it into the hand of the prince of the nations; he has dealt with it as its wickedness deserves. I have cast it out. Foreigners from the most terrible of the nations have cut it down and left it. On the mountains and in all the valleys its branches have fallen, and its boughs lie broken in all the watercourses of the land; and all the peoples of the earth went away from its shade and left it. On its fallen trunk settle all the birds of the air, and among its boughs lodge all the wild animals. All this is in order that no trees by the waters may grow to lofty height or set their tops among the clouds, and that no trees that drink water may reach up to them in height. For all of them are handed over to death, to the world below; along with all mortals, with those who go down to the Pit.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual “Bonum est Confiteri Domino” (Ps. 92) Mode V

Bonum est confiteri Domino: et psallere nomini tuo, Altissime.

It is good to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing in honor of your name, O Most High.

The Epistle

2 Corinthians 5:1-10

We know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. For in this tent we groan, longing to be clothed with our heavenly dwelling—if indeed, when we have taken it off we will not be found naked. For while we are still in this tent, we groan under our burden, because we wish not to be unclothed but to be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee. So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord—for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

As the Gospel procession moves towards the pews, the People stand.

Alleluia “Domine in virtute tua” (Ps. 20) Mode VI

Alleluia, alleluia. V. Domine, in virtute tua laetabitur rex: et super salutare tuum exsultabit vehementer. Alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia. V. The King shall rejoice in thy strength, O Lord: exceeding glad shall he be of thy salvation. Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel

Mark 4:26-34

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

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

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

Jesus said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come."

He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade."

With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

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

The People are seated.

The Sermon

The Rev. Christopher Poore

The People stand as able.

The Nicene Creed (Contemporary)

Organ



We be-lieve in one God, the_ Fa - ther the Al-might-y, ma-ker of heav'n 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: *Genuflect*
Organ 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. *Rise*
Organ For

our sake he was cru-ci-fied un-der Pon-tius Pi-late; he suf-fered death and was bur-ied. *Organ*

On the third day he rose a - gain in ac - cord - ance with the Scrip-tures; he a - scend-ed in-to

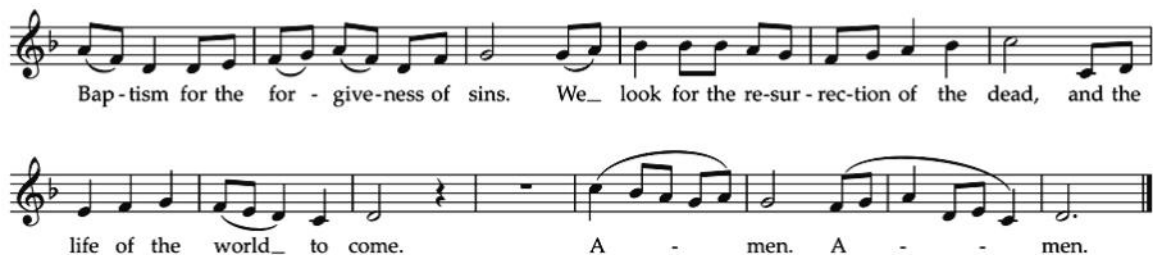
hea-ven and is seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther. *Organ* He will come a-gain in glo-ry to

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-shipped and glo - ri - fied. he has spo-ken through the Pro-phets. *Organ*

We be-lieve in one ho - ly cath-o-lic and a-po-stolic Church. We ack-now-ledge one



The Prayers of the People

Form III (BCP p. 387)

The Leader and People pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

Confession of Sin

Deacon: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

The People kneel as able.

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Priest 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 People stand as able.

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

The People remain standing as the oblations are brought forward.

Offertory “Benedicam Dominum” (Ps. 16) Mode I

Benedicam Dominum, qui mihi tribuit intellectum: providebam Deum in conspectu meo semper: quoniam a dextris est mihi, ne commovear.

I will thank the Lord for giving me warning: I have set God always before me: for he is on my right hand, therefore I shall not fall.

The People are seated.

Offertory Motet

Confitemini Domino, quoniam bonus, quoniam in sæculum misericordia ejus.

O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is gracious : because his mercy endureth for ever.

Setting: Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (c. 1525-1594) *Confitemini Domino*

The People stand as able.

Offertory Hymn 615

ST. FLAVIAN

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer B (BCP p. 367)

Orate Fratres

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

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; For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus and Benedictus

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. _____

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."

The musical notation consists of three staves. The first staff is labeled "Celebrant" and contains the lyrics: "There - fore, ac - cord - ing to his com - mand, O Fa - ther,". The second and third staves are labeled "Celebrant and People" and contain the lyrics: "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.**

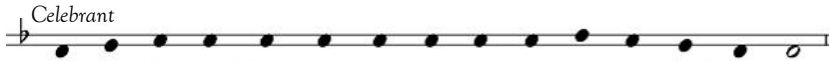
And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

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.


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.

- † *All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion, and all may come forward. Those who are not baptized or who do not wish to receive 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 require a gluten-free host, put your right hand over your heart.*
- *Please alert an usher if you need the Sacrament brought to you in the pew.*

THE COMMUNION

Communion "Unam petii" (Ps. 27) Mode VII

Unam petii a Domino, hanc requiram: ut inhabitem in domo Domini omnibus diebus vitae meae. Ps. Dominus illuminatio mea et salus mea, quem timebo? Dominus protector vitae meae, a quo trepidabo? V. Dum adpropiant super me nocentes, ut edant carnes meas. V. Si consistant adversus me castra, non timebit cor meum. V. Ne avertas faciem tuam a me, ne declines in ira a servo tuo. V. Gloria Patri.

One thing have I desired of the Lord, which I will require: even that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life. Ps. The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear? The Lord is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid? V. When the wicked, even mine enemies and my foes, came upon me to eat up my flesh, they stumbled and fell. V. Though an host of men were laid against me, yet shall not my heart be afraid. V. O hide not thou thy face from me, nor cast thy servant away in displeasure. V. Glory be.

Communion Motet

Ave, verum corpus natum de Maria Virgine: vere passum, immolatum in cruce pro homine: cuius latus perforatum unda fluxit sanguine: esto nobis praegustatum, in mortis examine. O dulcis, O pie, O Jesu, Fili Mariae. Miserere nobis. Amen.

Hail the true body, born of the Virgin Mary: You who truly suffered and were sacrificed on the cross for the sake of man. From whose pierced flank flowed water and blood: Be a foretaste for us in the trial of death. O sweet, O holy, O Jesus, Son of Mary.

Setting: Lodovico Grossi da Viadana (c. 1560-1627) *Ave verum corpus*

Communion Hymn

ST. THOMAS, HURON STREET

1. Fa - ther, we thank thee who hast plant-ed thy ho - ly Name with - in our
 2. Thou, Lord didst make all for_ thy plea - sure, didst give us food for all our
 3. Watch o'er thy Church, O Lord in mer - cy, save it from e - vil, guard it
 4. As grain once scat - tered on_ the hill - sides, was in this bro - ken bread made

hearts. Know - ledge and faith and life im - mor - tal
 days, giv - ing in Christ the Bread e - ter - nal;
 still, per - fect it in thy Love, u - nite - it,
 one, so from all lands thy Church be gath - ered

Je - sus thy Son to us im - parts.
 theine is the pow'r, be us theine the praise.
 cleansed and con-formed un - to thy the will.
 in to thy king - dom by thy will. Son.

The People kneel as able. 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

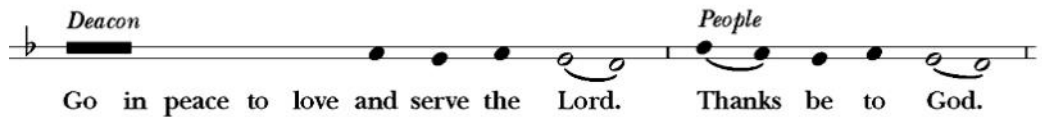
The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the + Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

The People stand as able.

The Dismissal

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**



Closing Hymn 619

MARTINS

ORGAN

Præludium, Fuga e Ciacona BuxWV 137

Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

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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.
- **Please join us for Coffee Hour in Wheeler Hall** after the Mass.
- **If you are a visitor**, please consider completing one of the blue visitor cards found in the pews.
- **Live-Streaming** of select liturgies is available on Facebook and YouTube. Links for these can be found on our website Home page.
- **Please ask an usher about a parking permit** if your car will be in our parking lot after 1:30 pm today.

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