



The Pharisees question Jesus, James Tissot (1836-1902),
gouache over graphite on gray wove paper, Brooklyn Museum, NYC

The Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost

11 a.m. Solemn Mass + October 29, 2023
Church of the Ascension, Chicago, Illinois

Sun	Oct 29	Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost
	9 a.m.	Sung Mass
	10 a.m.	Confession available
	11 a.m.	Solemn Mass
		Mass will be followed by Formation in the Library
		Let Us Break Bread Together Week 1: The Extraordinary in the Ordinary, A Conversation with Mother Murphy-Gill, author of <i>The Sacred Life of Bread</i> . Copies of Mtr. Murphy-Gill's book will be available for \$10 which will go to Ascension's monthly food pantry.
Wed	Nov 1	6:30 p.m. Said Mass: All Saints' Day
Thu	Nov 2	7 p.m. Solemn Requiem Mass: All Faithful Departed
Sat	Nov 4	Food Pantry
Sun	Nov 5	All Saints Sunday
	9 a.m.	Sung Mass
	10 a.m.	Confession available
	11 a.m.	Solemn Mass with baptism
		Mass will be followed by Formation in the Library
		Let Us Break Bread Together Week 2: Food and Hospitality in the Old Testament
	3:30 p.m.	Organ Recital by David White
	4 p.m.	Choral Evensong and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
Wed	Nov 8	6:30 Said Mass

- 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 in the pews.



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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

Passacaglia BuxWV 161

Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

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 517

BROTHER JAMES' AIR (*desc.* DW)

Introit “Laetetur cor” (Ps. 105) Mode II

Laetetur cor quaerentium Dominum: quaerite Dominum, et confirmamini: quaerite faciem eius semper. Ps. Confitemini Domino et invoke nomen eius: annuntiate inter gentes opera eius. v. Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto. Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in saecula saeculorum. Amen. Laetetur cor ...

Let the heart of them rejoice that seek the Lord: seek the Lord and his strength: seek his face evermore. Ps. O give thanks unto the Lord, and call upon his Name: tell the people what things he hath done. 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. Let the heart ...

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

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison

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

Setting: Gabriel Jackson (b. 1962) *Missa Sanctae Margaretae* (2010) first offering at Ascension

Gloria in excelsis

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.

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; 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

Exodus 22:21-27

God said, “You shall not wrong or oppress a resident alien, for you were aliens in the land of Egypt. You shall not abuse any widow or orphan. If you do abuse them, when they cry out to me, I will surely heed their cry; my wrath will burn, and I will kill you with the sword, and your wives shall become widows and your children orphans. If you lend money to my people, to the poor among you, you shall not deal with them as a creditor; you shall not exact interest from them. If you take your neighbor's cloak in pawn, you shall restore it before the sun goes down; for it may be your neighbor's only clothing to use as cover; in what else shall that person sleep? And if your neighbor cries out to me, I will listen, for I am compassionate.”

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Gradual “Unam petii” (Ps. 27) Mode V

Unam petii a Domino, hanc requiram, ut inhabitem in domo Domini omnibus diebus vitae meae. Ps. 84. Beati qui habitant in domo tua, Domine: in saecula saeculorum laudabunt te.

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. 84. Blessed are they that dwell in thy house, O Lord: they will be always praising thee.

The Epistle

1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share

with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as you are able.

Alleluia “Lauda Ierusalem” (Ps. 147) Mode IV

Alleluia, alleluia. V. Lauda, Ierusalem, Dominum: lauda Deum tuum, Sion.

Alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia. V. Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem: praise thy God, O Zion. Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 22:34-46

Deacon The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

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

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

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. “Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?” He said to him, “‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.” Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: “What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?” They said to him, “The son of David.” He said to them, “How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying, ‘The Lord said to my Lord, “Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet”’? If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?” No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The people sit.

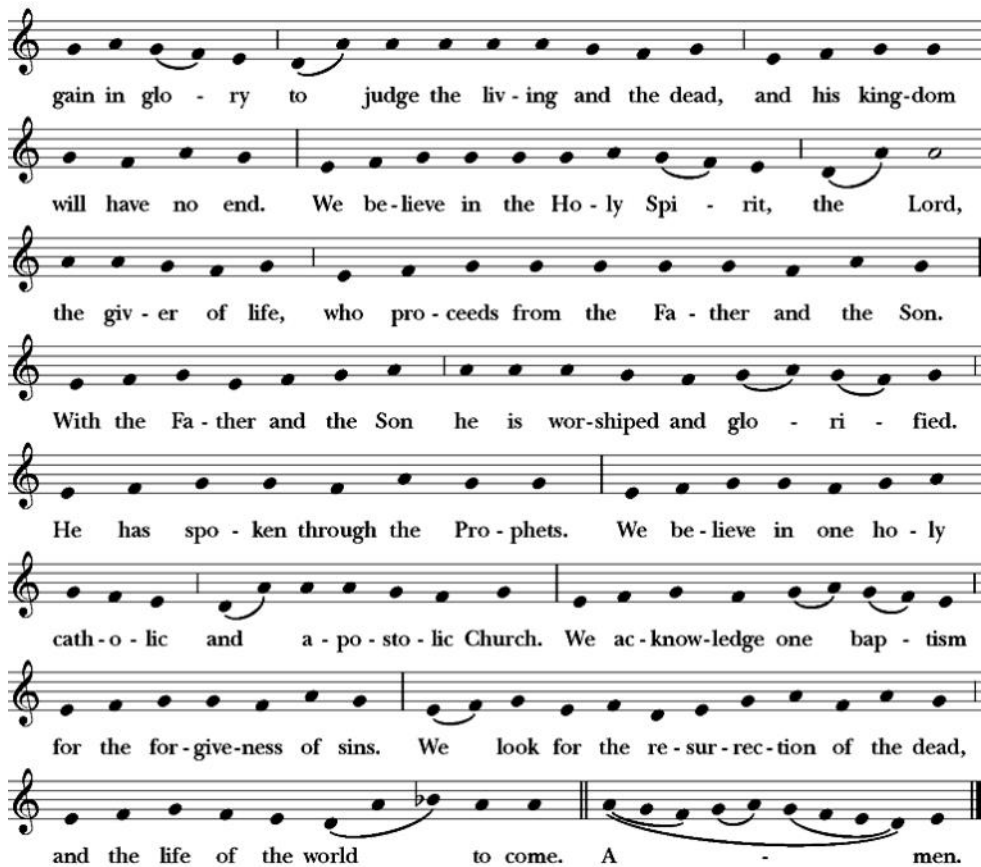
The Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Robert Petite

The Nicene Creed (Contemporary) *The people stand as able.*

The image displays a musical score for the Nicene Creed, consisting of 12 staves of music. Each staff is a single melodic line in treble clef, with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The text is as follows:

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 -



The Prayers of the People

Deacon Lord in your mercy

People Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Confession

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

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

**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 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 “Domine vivifica me” (Ps. 119) Mode III

Domine, vivifica me secundum eloquium tuum: ut sciam testimonia tua.

Quicken me, O Lord, according to thy word: that I may know thy testimonies.

Offertory Motet

Beatus vir qui non abiit in consilio impiorum, et in via peccatorum non stetit, et in cathedra pestilentiae non sedit; sed in lege Domini voluntas ejus, et in lege ejus meditabitur die ac nocte.

Blessed is the man that hath not walked in the counsel of the ungodly, nor stood in the way of sinners: and hath not sat in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the Lord : and in his law will he exercise himself day and night.

Setting: Hans Leo Hassler (1564-1612) *Beatus vir qui non abiit* (prima pars)
Psalm 1:1-2 (English from the 1662 BCP)

Please stand as you are able.

Offertory Hymn 609

GARDINER

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

The musical notation is presented in four staves, each with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature (C). The first staff is for the Celebrant, with the lyrics "The Lord be with you. And al - so with you." The second staff is for the People, with the lyrics "Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord." The third staff is for the Celebrant, with the lyrics "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God." The fourth staff is for the People, with the lyrics "It is right to give him thanks and praise." The notation includes various musical symbols such as notes, rests, and accidentals.

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

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

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt coeli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis. Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Setting: Gabriel Jackson (b. 1962) *Missa Sanctae Margaretae* (2010)

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 score 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 staff is labeled 'Celebrant and People' and contains the lyrics 'We re - mem - ber his death, We pro - claim his re - sur -'. The third staff contains the lyrics 'rec - tion, We a - wait his com - ing in glo - ry.'.

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.**

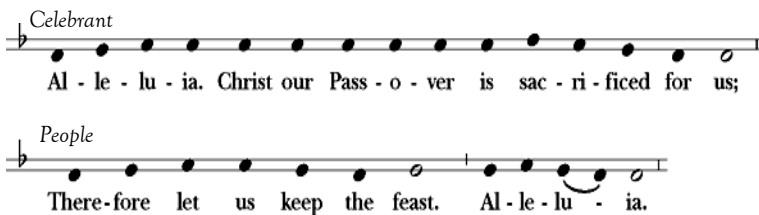
And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:



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.**

Agnus Dei

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi: dona nobis pacem.

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: Gabriel Jackson (b. 1962) *Missa Sanctae Margaretae* (2010)

† *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 “Laetabimur” (Ps. 20) Mode II

Laetabimur in salutari tuo: et in nomine Domini Dei nostri magnificabimur. Ps. Exaudi ad te Dominus in die tribulationis, protegat te nomen Dei Iacob. V. Mittat tibi auxilium de sancto, et de Sion tueatur te. V. Memor sit omnis sacrificii tui, et holocaustum tuum pingue fiat. V. Tribuat tibi secundum cor tuum, et omne consilium tuum confirmet. V. Gloria Patri.

We will rejoice in thy salvation: and triumph in the Name of the Lord our God. Ps. The Lord hear thee in the day of trouble, the Name of the God of Jacob defend thee. V. Send thee help from the sanctuary, and strengthen thee out of Zion. V. Remember all thy offerings, and accept thy burnt-sacrifice. V. Grant thee thy heart's desire, and fulfill all thy mind. V. Glory be.

Communion Motet

Et erit tamquam lignum quod plantatum est secus decursus aquarum, quod fructum suum dabit in tempore suo: et folium ejus non defluet; et omnia quaecumque faciet prosperabuntur.

And he shall be like a tree planted by the water-side: that will bring forth his fruit in due season. His leaf also shall not wither: and look, whatsoever he doeth, it shall prosper.

Hans Leo Hassler (1564-1612) *Beatus vir qui non abiit* (secunda pars)
Psalm 1:3-4 (English from the 1662 BCP)

Communion Hymn 568

WAS LEBET

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.

Please stand as you are able.

The Dismissal

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Deacon  *People* 

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

Closing Hymn 439

WONDROUS LOVE

ORGAN

Sortie on *Wondrous Love* [2003]

David R. White (b. 1959)

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Requiescat in pace:

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Many thanks to those who serve

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Welcome to worship at the
Church of the Ascension
An Anglican-Episcopal parish in the
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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

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