

Christ as the Good Shepherd, 1540, Lucas Cranach the Younger

The Fourth Sunday of Easter

11 a.m. Solemn Mass + April 21, 2024 Church of the Ascension, Chicago



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Sun Apr 21 The Fourth Sunday of Easter

9 a.m. Sung Mass

10 a.m. Confession available

11 a.m. Solemn Mass

followed by Formation upstairs in the Library. Lunch provided.

Our Lady of Chicago

Professor Matthew Milliner, an art historian who teaches at Wheaton College, will present a talk on appearances of Marian imagery in Chicago. Prof. Milliner is the author of a 4-part series of articles about local Marian images.

Sun Apr 28 The Fifth Sunday of Easter

9 a.m. Sung Mass

10 a.m. Confession available

11 a.m. Solemn Mass

followed by Formation upstairs in the Library. Lunch provided.

He Ascended in Heaven

Often in fine art, the Resurrection and Ascension can look similar. We'll view paintings—some that you can even visit in person in Chicago—to uncover and understand themes of the Ascension and its meaning for us.

- ·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.

ORGAN

Zwölf Stücke für Orgel IMR 209 Johann-Maximilian Reger (1873-1916) IX. Benedictus (revised version, 1903)

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 478

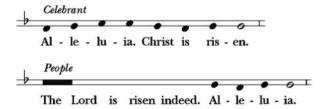
MONK'S GATE

Introit "Misericordia Domini" (Ps. 33) Mode VI

Misericordia Domini plena est terra, alleluia: verbo Dei caeli firmati sunt, alleluia, alleluia. *Ps.* Exsultate iusti in Domino: rectos decet collaudatio. *V.* Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto. Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in saecula saeculorum. Amen. Misericordia ...

The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord, alleluia: by the word of the Lord were the heavens made, alleluia, alleluia. Ps. Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous: for it becometh well the just to be thankful. 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. The earth ...

The Easter Acclamation



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

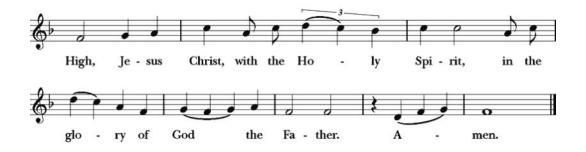
Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Setting: Francesco Feroci (1673-1750) Messa in Gisolreut

Gloria in excelsis Deo





The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

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

The People are seated.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

The First Reading Acts 4:23-37

After they were released, Peter and John went to their friends and reported what the chief priests and the elders had said to them. When they heard it, they raised their voices together to God and said, "Sovereign Lord, who made the heaven and the earth, the sea, and everything in them, it is you who said by the Holy Spirit through our ancestor David, your servant: 'Why did the Gentiles rage, and the peoples imagine vain things? The kings of the earth took their stand, and the rulers have gathered together against the Lord and against his Messiah.' For in this city, in fact, both Herod and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles and the peoples of Israel, gathered together against your holy servant Jesus, whom you anointed, to do whatever your hand and your plan had predestined to take place. And now, Lord, look at their threats, and grant to your servants to speak your word with all boldness, while you stretch out your hand to heal, and signs and wonders are performed through the name of your holy servant Jesus." When they had prayed, the place in which they were gathered together was shaken; and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the word of God with boldness. Now the whole group of those who believed

were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need. There was a Levite, a native of Cyprus, Joseph, to whom the apostles gave the name Barnabas (which means "son of encouragement"). He sold a field that belonged to him, then brought the money, and laid it at the apostles' feet.

Lector The Word of the Lord. People Thanks be to God.

Alleluia "Redemptionem misit" (Ps. 111) Mode II Alleluia, alleluia. V. Redemptionem misit Dominus in populo suo. Alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia. V. The Lord hath sent redemption unto his people. Alleluia.

The Epistle 1 John 3:1-8

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous. Everyone who commits sin is a child of the devil; for the devil has been sinning from the beginning. The Son of God was revealed for this purpose, to destroy the works of the devil.

Lector The Word of the Lord. People Thanks be to God.

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

Alleluia "Ego sum pastor bonus" (Jn. 10) Mode I Alleluia, alleluia. V. Ego sum pastor bonus: et cognosco oves meas, et cognoscunt me meae. Alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia. V. I am the Good Shepherd: and know my sheep, and am known of mine. Alleluia.

The Holy Gospel

John 10:11-16

Deacon The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away— and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd."

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

The People are seated.

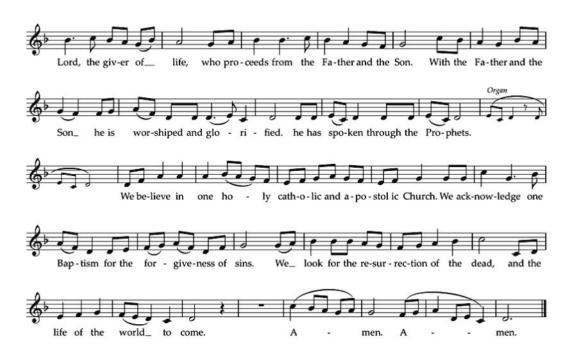
The Sermon

The Rev. Christopher Poore

The People stand as able.

The Nicene Creed (Contemporary)





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.

Silence. The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

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 "Deus Deus meus" (Ps. 63) Mode IV

Deus, Deus meus, ad te de luce vigilo: et in nomine tuo levabo manus meas, alleluia.

O God, thou art my God, early will I seek thee: and I will lift up my hands in thy name, alleluia.

The People are seated.

Offertory Solo

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures,

Beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul:

He leadeth in paths of righteousness

For his name's sake.

Tho' I walk through the valley of the shadow of death I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; Thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me

In the presence of mine enemies:

My cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me

All the days of my life:

And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Setting: Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky (1840-1893) The Lord is my shepherd, adapted and arranged by Maxwell and Feibel

Text: Psalm 23 (alt.)

The People stand as able.

Offertory Hymn 645

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer D (BCP p. 372)

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



Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing:

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: Francesco Feroci (1673-1750) Messa in Gisolreut

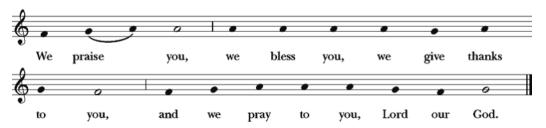
The people stand or kneel; then the Celebrant continues

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation. Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new. And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.



The Celebrant continues

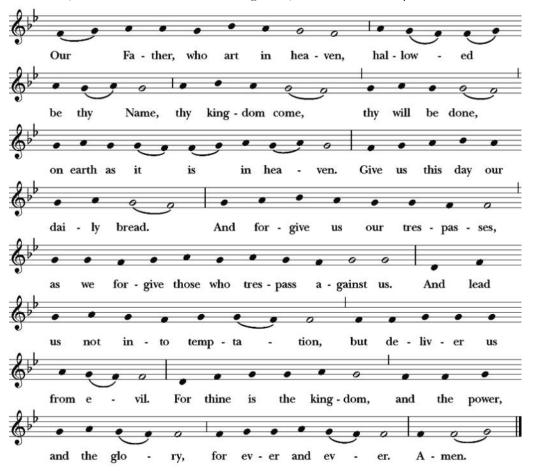
Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

Remember all who have died in the peace of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone; bring them into the place of eternal joy and light. And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Saint Anne, her mother, St. Michael the Archangel, our Patron, Saint Gregory the Great, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

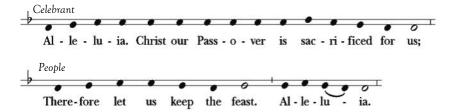
Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and for ever. **AMEN**.

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



The Breaking of the Bread

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



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

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 sins of the world: have mercy upon us.
- O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: have mercy upon us.
- O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world: grant us thy peace.

Setting: Francesco Feroci (1673-1750) Messa in Gisolreut

THE COMMUNION

Communion "Ego sum pastor bonus" (Jn. 10) Mode II

Ego sum pastor bonus, alleluia: et cognosco oves meas, et cognoscunt me meae, alleluia, allelluia. *Ps. 23*. Dominus regit me, et nihil mihi deerit, in loco pascuae ibi me collocavit. *V*. Super aquam refectionis educavit me, animam meam convertit. *V*. Deduxit me super semitas iustitiae, propter nomen suum. *V*. Nam et si ambulavero in medio umbrae mortis, non timebo mala, quoniam tu mecum es. *V*. Gloria Patri.

I am the Good Shepherd, alleluia: and know my sheep, and am known of mine, alleluia, alleluia. Ps. 23. The Lord is my shepherd; therefore can I lack nothing. He shall feed me in a green pasture. V. And lead me forth beside the waters of comfort. He shall convert my soul, and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness for his Name's sake. V. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; for thou art with me. V. Glory be.

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 Easter Blessing

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

The People stand as able.

The Easter Dismissal

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.



ORGAN

Improvisation on *St. Columba* in the style of Reger



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.

FLOWERS on the High Altar are given by David Reeves to the glory of God in memory of his brother, Danny Reeves. **FLOWERS** at the Shrine of St. Mary the Virgin are given to the glory of God in celebration of the birthday of David R, White (b. 1959) by a friend (b. 1958.)

Ascension Prayer List

For our prayers: Carolyn Wiggins, David Schrader, Kari Johnson, Malik Gillani, Marlea Edinger, Terrence Kumro, John Barry, Jeanne Fitzsimmons, Mary Sliwinski, Neha Nikita Andrade, Ken McPhillips, Elizabeth McLaughlin, Marilyn Labkon, Lee Gould, Robert Pischke, Florence Jones Clanton, Rachel Smolinski, Suzanne Dines, MB Hwang, Juanita Malone, David S. Jones, Richard Francis Tracz, Victor Fernandez, Claire Green, Beth Hall, Sue Lenz, Brenda Martins

Birthdays: David R. White, 4/21; R. Gary Alexander, 4/23; Gordon John Stanley BSG, 4/24, George Panice, 4/24; Amber Zelazny, 4/26;

Anniversary: Arthur & Jeanne Kreymer, Marriage, COA, 4/25/1992 Requiescat in pace: James W. Faber, 4/22/2007; Dan Reeves, 4/26/2015

Many thanks to those who serve The Rt. Rev. Daniel Martins, Celebrant;
The Rev. Charles Farrell, Deacon; The Rev. Christopher Poore, Preacher; MB Hwang,
Patrick Johnston, Enrique Vilaseco, Nancy Pardee, David A. Robertson, Andrew Smith,
Christopher Raymond, George Dante Pineda, Acolytes; Joshua Simpson, Lector; Gary Alexander,
George Panice, Technology; Elizabeth Simpson, Joshua Simpson, Roberta Dawson, Ushers;
Elizabeth & Joshua Simpson, Flowers; Hospitality Committee, Coffee Hour

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Tenor Damon Cole, James Judd, Aaron Short Bass Mathew Brennan, Ian Prichard, Peter Wesoloski Music Acknowledgements

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Welcome to worship at the Church of the Ascension

An Anglican-Episcopal parish in the city and Diocese of Chicago 'Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.' - Ps. 96:9

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.

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

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- 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.







