

Gentle reminder: When the lights have been lowered, please use this time for silent reflection. The 5:30 PM Vigil and 8:30 AM Sunday Masses are livestreamed.

**Welcome to the
Church of the Ascension
25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
September 20, 2026**



Seek the Lord

Refrain: Seek the Lord while he may be found, call to him, while he is still near.

1. Today is the day and now the proper hour to forsake our sinful lives and turn to the Lord.
2. Open your heart to hear the voice of God, whose words, whose ways lead us to life.

Glory to God

Mass of Renewal

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen, amen.

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CHILDREN'S DISMISSAL 10:30 SUNDAY MASS

FOUR-YEAR-OLDS TO FIRST GRADE

We Send You Forth

We send you forth to hear the word of the Lord,
take these words to heart and walk in God's ways.

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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Isaiah 55: 6 – 9

Isaiah prophesied, "Seek the LORD while he may be found;
call him while he is near.... My thoughts are not your
thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD."

PSALM 145: 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A

Jesse Manibusan



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SECOND READING

Philippians 1: 20c - 24, 27a

Paul wrote, "Life is Christ, and death is gain....I long to depart this life and be with Christ, for that is far better. Yet that I remain in the flesh is more necessary for your benefit. Only, conduct yourselves in a way worthy of the gospel of Christ."

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

GOSPEL

Matthew 20: 1 - 16a

Jesus told the parable about the vineyard owner who hired workers at different times of the day and paid them all the same amount at the end of the day. The owner concluded, "Am I not free to do as I wish with my own money?" Jesus added, "The last will be first, and the first will be last."

**Please remain standing until the
Book of Gospels is fully enthroned.**

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one LORD Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, Begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven (****A SLIGHT BOW****) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man. (****PLEASE RISE****)

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, He suffered death and was buried and rose again on the third day 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.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the LORD, the giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, Who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins, and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

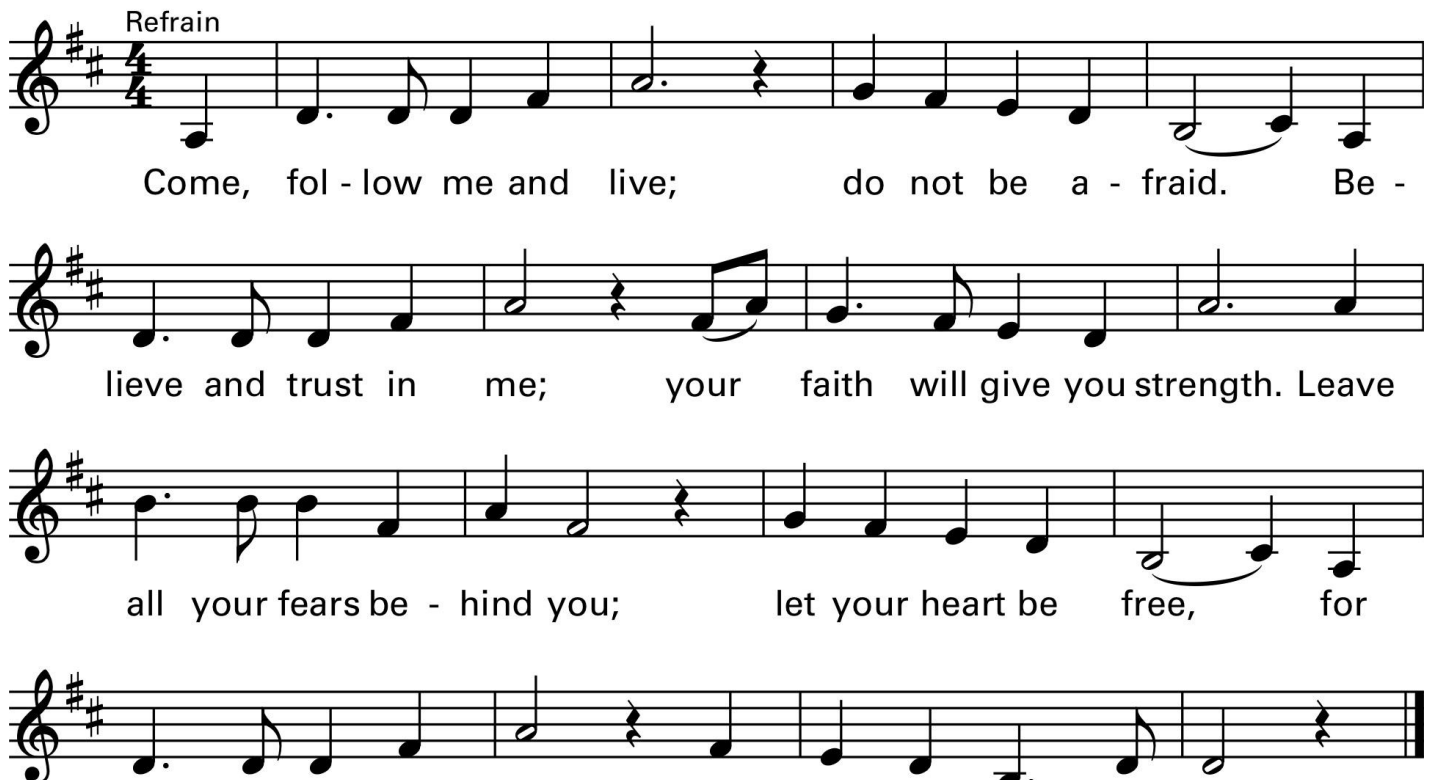
UNIVERSAL PRAYERS

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS

COME, FOLLOW ME

Gael Berberick (ASCAP) and
Barney Walker (ASCAP)

Refrain



Come, fol - low me and live; do not be a - fraid. Be -
lieve and trust in me; your faith will give you strength. Leave
all your fears be - hind you; let your heart be free, for
I will be your guide. Oh, come and fol - low me.

The Refrain is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four lines of music. The first line ends with a half note G4. The second line ends with a half note G4. The third line ends with a half note G4. The fourth line ends with a double bar line. The lyrics are: 'Come, fol - low me and live; do not be a - fraid. Be - lieve and trust in me; your faith will give you strength. Leave all your fears be - hind you; let your heart be free, for I will be your guide. Oh, come and fol - low me.'

Verses



1. Come, fol - low in these foot-steps; I'll lead you gent - ly home.
2. Come, walk a - cross the wa - ter; place all your faith in me.
3. If you re - main with - in me, my words re - main in you.

The Verses are written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. They consist of three lines of music. The first line ends with a half note G4. The second line ends with a half note G4. The third line ends with a half note G4. The lyrics are: '1. Come, fol - low in these foot-steps; I'll lead you gent - ly home. 2. Come, walk a - cross the wa - ter; place all your faith in me. 3. If you re - main with - in me, my words re - main in you.'



1. No shel - ter, food nor mon - ey will you need up - on this road.
2. Cast all your doubts be - hind you to the wind and rag - ing sea.
3. What - ev - er you may ask of me, that is what I will do.

to Refrain

The continuation of the Verses is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of three lines of music. The first line ends with a half note G4. The second line ends with a half note G4. The third line ends with a half note G4. The lyrics are: '1. No shel - ter, food nor mon - ey will you need up - on this road. 2. Cast all your doubts be - hind you to the wind and rag - ing sea. 3. What - ev - er you may ask of me, that is what I will do.'

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Holy, Holy, Holy
Save Us, Savior of the World
Great Amen

Communion Rite

The Lord's Prayer
Sign of Peace
Lamb of God

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

COMMUNION ANTIPHON [1]

Steve Angrisano, Sarah Hart, and Curtis Stephan

The musical notation is written on two staves in 4/4 time with a key signature of two flats (Bb and Eb). The first staff begins with a repeat sign and contains the melody for the first line of the antiphon. The second staff continues the melody for the second line. The lyrics are printed below the notes.

You have laid down your pre - cepts to be care - ful - ly kept;
may my ways be firm in keep - ing your stat - utes.

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COMMUNION SONG(S)

GOD'S HOLY GIFTS

Dan Schutte

Refrain



God's ho-ly gifts for God's ho-ly peo-ple; come now to share the



ban-quet of Christ. Feed on his love with faith and thanks-giv-ing.



Know in your heart that he died for you.

Verses



1. May the Bod - y of Christ be food for our souls
2. May the Blood of the Lord pro - tect us from harm
3. As the grain of this bread was gath - ered as one,
4. As the cup that we share is emp - tied for all,
5. When we eat of this bread and drink of this cup,



1. and bring us to ev - er - last - ing life.
2. and mark us as God's be - lov - ed ones.
3. may we who be - lieve be bound by love.
4. may we of - fer up our lives in love.
5. we hold in our mem - 'ry Christ the Lord.

REPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Bread of Angels

Bread of angels, we've received you; with us now abide.
Precious Jesus, manna of ages, with us now reside. Though
unworthy, we've received you, sacrament divine. Bread of
angels, accept our praises, let your glory shine!

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SENDING

Your Grace Is Enough

Great is your faithfulness O God of Jacob; you wrestle with
the sinner's restless heart. You lead us by still waters into
mercy, where nothing can keep us apart. So remember your
people, remember your children, remember your promise O
God.

Refrain: Your grace is enough; your grace is enough;
Your grace is enough for me.

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