

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Proper 7 in Ordinary Time

ST. PAUL'S ON THE GREEN

JUNE 21, 2026 - 9:00AM & 11:00AM

PRELUDE

There is a Happy Land from 'Sacred Sounds' - George Shearing (1919 - 2011)

Please stand as the bell sounds.

HYMN IN PROCESSION

Hymn 372

1 Praise to the liv - ing God! All prais - ed be his Name
2 Form - less, all love - ly forms de - clare his love - li - ness;
3 His Spi - rit flow - eth free, high surg - ing where it will:
4 E - ter - nal life hath he im - plant - ed in the soul;

who was, and is, and is to be for ay the same.
ho - ly, no ho - li - ness of earth can his ex - press.
in pro - phet's word he spoke of old; he speak - eth still.
his love shall be our strength and stay while a - ges roll.

The one e - ter - nal God ere aught that now ap - pears:
Lo, he is Lord of all. Cre - a - tion speaks his praise,
Es - tab - lished is his law, and change - less it shall stand,
Praise to the liv - ing God! All prais - ed be his Name

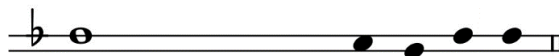
the first, the last, be - yond all thought his time - less years!
and ev - ery - where a - bove, be - low, his will o - beys.
deep writ up - on the hu - man heart, on sea, on land.
who was, and is, and is to be, for ay the same.

OPENING ACCLAMATION

The Celebrant intones

Blessed be the one, holy, and living God;

The People respond



Glory to God for - ev - er and ev - er.

GLORIA

ELW Setting II



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



1 Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might-y God and Fa - ther, we



wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo-ry.



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of



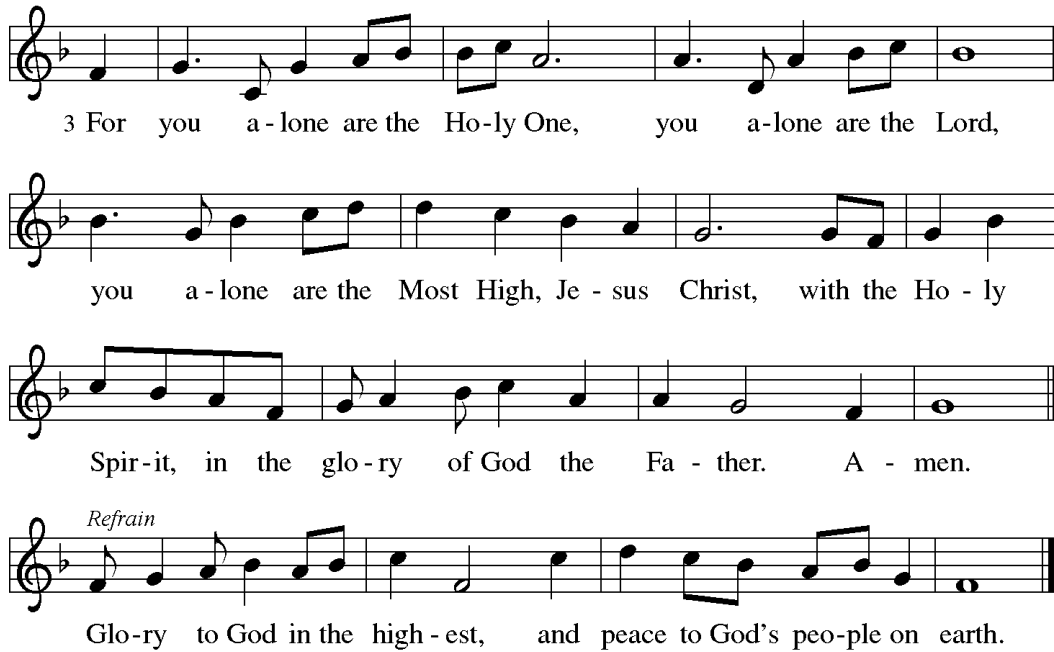
God, you take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us; you are



seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.



3 For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,
 you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly
 Spir-it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.
Refrain
 Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

Music: Marty Haugen, Setting 2 from Evangelical Lutheran Worship

COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Let us pray.

The Celebrant prays the Collect of the Day.

True and faithful God, you give courage to the fearful and endurance to martyrs. Sustain us as followers of your son, Jesus, that with boldness and conviction we may acknowledge him before the world. We asked this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen.

THE LESSON *seated*

Jeremiah 20:7-13

O Lord, you have enticed me, and I was enticed; you have overpowered me, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all day long; everyone mocks me. For whenever I speak, I must cry out, I must shout, "Violence and destruction!" For the word of the Lord has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. If I say, "I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name," then within me there is something like a burning fire shut up in my bones; I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot. For I hear many whispering: "Terror is all around! Denounce him! Let us denounce him!" All my close friends are watching for me to stumble. "Perhaps he can be enticed, and we can prevail against him, and take our revenge on him." But the Lord is with me like a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble, and they will not prevail. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonor will never be forgotten. O Lord of hosts, you test the righteous, you see the heart and the mind; let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause. Sing to the Lord; praise the Lord! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the People.
Thanks be to God.



Surely for your sake have I | suffered reproach, *
and shame has | covered my face.

I have become a stranger to | my own kindred, *
an outcast to my | mother's children.

Zeal for your house has | eaten me up; *
the scorn of those who scorn you has | fallen upon me.

I humbled my-|self with fasting, *
but that was turned to | my reproach.

Answer me, O God, for your | love is kind; *
in your great compassion, | turn to me.”

“Hide not your face | from your servant; *
be swift and answer me, for I am | in distress.

Draw near to me | and redeem me; *
because of my | enemies deliver me.

THE EPISTLE

Romans 6:1b-11

Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the People.

Thanks be to God.

1 Christ for the world we sing! The world to
 2 Christ for the world we sing! The world to
 3 Christ for the world we sing! The world to
 4 Christ for the world we sing! The world to

Christ we bring with lov - ing zeal; the poor, and
 Christ we bring with fer - vent prayer; the way - ward
 Christ we bring with one ac - cord; with us the
 Christ we bring with joy - ful song; the new - born

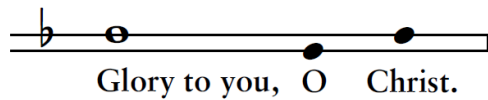
them that mourn, the faint and o - ver - borne,
 and the lost, by rest - less pas - sions tossed,
 work to share, with us re - proach to dare,
 souls, whose days, re - claimed from er - ror's ways,

sin - sick and sor - row - worn, whom Christ doth heal.
 re - deemed at count - less cost from dark de - spair.
 with us the cross to bear, for Christ our Lord.
 in - spired with hope and praise, to Christ be - long.

Words: Samuel Wolcott (1813-1886)

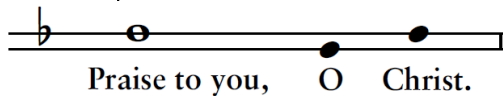
Music: *Moscow*, melody Felice de Giardini (1716-1796); harm. *The New Hymnal*, 1916 based on *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1875, and Lowell Mason (1792-1892)

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



Jesus said to the twelve disciples, “A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household! “So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. “Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven. “Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; and one’s foes will be members of one’s own household. Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.”

The Gospel of the Lord.



SERMON

*The Rev. Paul Carling
Priest Associate*

A period of silent reflection follows the sermon.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *standing*

Nicene Creed

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, She* is worshipped and glorified. She 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Deacon bids the People's prayers, saying

Let us pray now to God, who hears our prayers even before we ask. The response after each prayer is

God of mystery and promise,

Hear our prayer.

Holy One, inspire and lead those who hold authority in the nations of the world. Guide us and all people in the way of justice and peace. *(pause for the People's intercessions, then:)*

God of mystery and promise,

Hear our prayer.

Strengthen all who minister in Christ's name, that the life of Christ may be revealed in us. *(pause for the People's intercessions, then:)*

God of mystery and promise,

Hear our prayer.

Have compassion on those who suffer from sickness, grief, or trouble. In your presence may they find strength. *(pause for the People's intercessions, then:)*

God of mystery and promise,

Hear our prayer.

Make us alive to the needs of our community. Help us to share one another's joys and burdens. *(pause for the People's intercessions, then:)*

God of mystery and promise,

Hear our prayer.

We pray for the particular needs and thanksgivings of those gathered here. *(pause for the People's intercessions, then:)*

God of mystery and promise,

Hear our prayer.

We remember those who have died, especially those we now name: *(pause for the People's intercessions, then:)*

God of mystery and promise,

Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant prays

God of mystery and promise, far beyond our comprehension yet at the center of all things: we bring you our prayers for the world and ourselves. Bring us to life, call us to freedom, and pour yourself out through us in everlasting love. May we so participate in the dance of your glory, that our lives may ever reflect your image and likeness, now and for ever. Amen.

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Please share a sign of peace with those around you.

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MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY *sung by the Cantor*
The Lord is my Shepherd (Psalm 23)
John Rutter (b. 1945)

The lord is my shepherd
 Therefore can I lack nothing
 He shall feed me in a green pasture
 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

Thou hast anointed my head with oil
 And my cup shall be full
 But thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow
 me all the days of my life and I will dwell in the
 house of the Lord for ever.

Yea, though 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 comfort me
 Thou shalt prepare a table before me against
 them that trouble me

1 Spread, O spread, thou might - y word, spread the king - dom of the Lord,
 2 word of how the Fa - ther's will made the world, and keeps it, still;
 3 word of how the Sa - vior's love earth's sore bur - den doth re - move;
 4 word of how the Spi - rit came bring - ing peace in Je - sus' name;
 5 Word of life, most pure and strong, word for which the na - tions long,

1 that to earth's re - mot - est bound all may heed the joy - ful sound;
 2 how his on - ly Son he gave, earth from sin and death to save;
 3 how for - ev - er, in its need, through his death the world is freed;
 4 how his nev - er - fail - ing love guides us on to heaven a - bove.
 5 spread a - broad, un - til from night all the world a - wakes to light.

Words: Jonathan Friedrich Bahnmaier (1774–1841); tr. Arthur William Farlander (1898–1952) and Charles Winfred Douglas (1867–1944), alt. St. 4, F. Bland Tucker (1895–1984)
 Music: Gott sei Dank, melody from Geistreiches Gesangbuch, 1704; adapt. and harm. William Henry Havergel (1793–1870)

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 God thanks and praise.

The prayer continues until

We praise you and we bless you, gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters, and every living thing. You made us in your image and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
heav-en 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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Music: Marty Haugen, Setting 2 from Evangelical Lutheran Worship

The prayer continues until

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death, and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor on Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus, the holy child of God. Living among us Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then the time came for him to complete upon the cross the offering of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, saying: "Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you." As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again he gave thanks to you, gave it to them and said, "Drink this, all of you; this is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Alive in him, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts, that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with the blessed Virgin Mary, blessed Paul, and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

The prayer continues until



Music: *A Community Mass*, Richard Proulx, © 1971, 1977, GIA Publications, Inc.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

Unison

Our Fa - ther in heav-en, hal-lowed be your Name, your
king-dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav-en.

Give us to-day our dai - ly bread. For - give us our sins as we for -
give those who sin a-against us. Save us from the time of tri - al, and de -
liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow - er, and the
glo - ry are yours, now and for - ev - er. A - men.

unison

unison

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 2/4 time signature. The first system contains two staves of music with lyrics. The second system also has two staves, with a 4/4 time signature and a key signature change to two flats (Bb). The third system continues with two staves in 4/4 time with two flats. The fourth system has two staves, with a key signature change to three flats (Cbb) and a 4/4 time signature. The fifth system has two staves, with a key signature change to two flats (Bb) and a 4/4 time signature. The sixth system has one staff with a key signature change to one flat (F) and a 4/4 time signature. The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, and triplets.

Music: Carl Haywood (b. 1949) from *Mass for Grace*

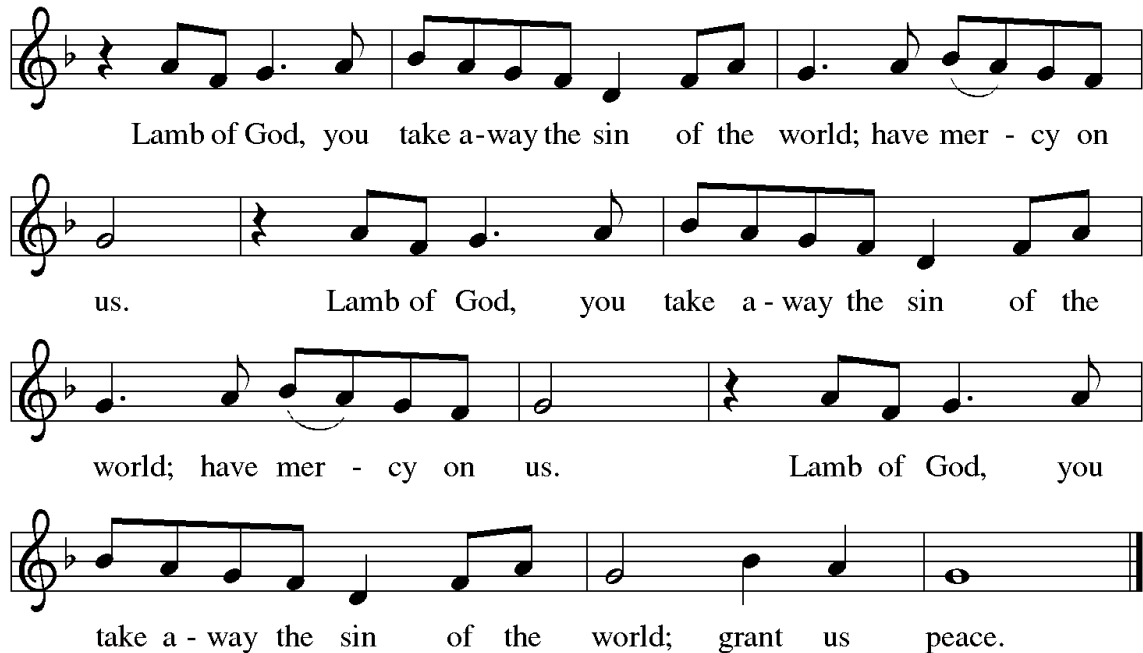
THE COMMUNION

The Celebrant breaks the bread and bids the People to Communion.

The disciples knew the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread.

Everyone is welcome to receive Communion. Please follow the direction of the ushers. Gluten-free bread is available upon request; non-alcoholic grape juice is available in the blue-dot cups at the side altars. If you don't wish to drink from the chalice, you may simply touch its base when it is brought to you. (For the health of all, we are no longer dipping the bread into the chalice wine by hand.)

All sing as the distribution of Communion begins:



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on
us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you
take a - way the sin of the world; grant us peace.

Music: Marty Haugen, Setting 2 from Evangelical Lutheran Worship

MUSIC AT COMMUNION *sung by the Cantor*

Nunc Dimittis from 'Evening Service in C Minor'

George Dyson (1883 – 1964)

Lord now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace,
according to thy word;
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation,
which thou hast prepared before the face of all people,
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles,
and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

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 PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together.

God of abundance,
you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation;
you have united us with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth.
Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue forever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

[SENDING FORTH OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS]

When Lay Eucharistic Visitors are sent out to bring the Sacrament to the sick or homebound, the Celebrant sends them out:

In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that *those* to whom you go may share with us in the Communion of Christ's body and blood.

The People respond

We, who are many, are one body, because we all share one bread and one cup.

THE BLESSING

The Priest blesses the People.

1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on thy peo - ple pour thy power;
 2 Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us scorn thy Christ, as - sail his ways!
 3 Cure thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness, bend our pride to thy con - trol;
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils we de - plore;

crown thine an - cient Church's sto - ry; bring her bud to glo - rious flower.
 From the fears that long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise:
 shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness, rich in things and poor in soul.
 let the gift of thy sal - va - tion be our glo - ry ev - er - more.

Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, for the fac - ing of this
 grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, for the liv - ing of these
 Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, lest we miss thy king - dom's
 Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age, serv - ing thee whom we a -

hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.
 days, for the liv - ing of these days.
 goal, lest we miss thy king - dom's goal.
 dore, serv - ing thee whom we a - dore.

Words: Harry Emerson Fosdick (1878–1969), alt.
 Music: *Cwm Rhondda*, John Hughes (1873–1932)

THE SENDING

Let us go forth, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

*The feasting continues! –
with coffee, tea, refreshments and conversation in the Parish Hall below the church.
Ask anyone near the front or rear doors and they will guide you there.*

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

God of Grace and God of Glory – Paul Manz (1919 – 2009)

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