

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Transfiguration of Our Lord Sunday, February 27, 2022, 11:00 a.m.



JESUS MAFA, Transfiguration, 1973.

Today is Transfiguration Sunday, which marks the last Sunday before the season of Lent. The Gospel lesson provides a vivid description of a mountaintop transformation, where Jesus's face was changed and his garments became dazzling white in the presence of disciples Peter, James, and John. The appearance of both Moses and Elijah at the Transfiguration reminds us that Jesus stands in line with the great leaders of Israel. It also symbolizes Jesus's fulfillment of the Law and the Prophets through his life, death, and resurrection. The Transfiguration also recalls Moses's encounter with God on Mt. Sinai. In 2 Corinthians, Paul teaches that while Moses's face had to be veiled after encountering the Lord, through Christ we are given freedom to approach God boldly. Jesus has torn the veil between earth and heaven, and he invites us to enter the new covenant through faith.

Gathering

Opening Voluntary

Erbarm dich mein, o Herre Gott, BWV 721

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

Prelude in B Minor, BWV 544/1

Introit

Light Everlasting

Olaf C. Christiansen (1901–1984)

O light everlasting, O love never-failing: Illumine our darkness and draw us to thee.

May we from thy spirit receive inspiration as children together thy wisdom may see.

Make known to all nations thy peace and salvation, and help us, O Father, thy temple to be.

O light everlasting, O love never-failing: Illumine our darkness and draw us to thee.

-O. C. Christiansen

Greeting and Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn 173

Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies

RATISBON

*Prayer of Confession and Words of Assurance |The minister offers words of confession in three biddings to which the congregation responds as follows:

Minister: Lord have mercy. **People:** Lord have mercy.

Minister: Christ have mercy. **People:** Christ have mercy.

Minister: Lord have mercy.

People: Lord have mercy.

*All rise as able

*Peace | All exchange signs and words of God's peace.

Minister: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Proclamation

Prayer for Illumination | In unison:

Holy Jesus, give us grace to perceive your glory as you illuminate your word, that we may be strengthened to suffer with you and be changed into your likeness, from glory to glory. In your name we pray. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson | OT page 78 in pew Bibles.

Exodus 34:29-35

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalmody | The refrain is introduced by the choir, then sung by all.

Psalm 99 Hal Hopson



The LORD reigns; let the people tremble!

God is throned on the cherubim; let the earth quake!

The LORD is great in Zion, God is high above the nations. *Refrain*

May they praise your great and holy name! You are the holy one! Great judge, you love what is right, and have established justice in Jacob. *Refrain*

Glorify the LORD our God; bow down before the throne; bow down and worship God. You are the holy one. *Refrain* Moses and Aaron among the priests,
Samuel among those who called on God,
all these cried to the LORD;
God heard them and answered them. *Refrain*

In the pillar of cloud God spoke; they did God's will and kept the law. O LORD, you answered them; you punished their sins, but you forgave them. *Refrain*

Glorify the LORD our God; bow down at the holy hill, bow down and worship God; the LORD our God is the holy one. *Refrain*

New Testament Lesson | NT page 169 in pew Bibles.

2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn | See hymn at the end of worship guide. Stanzas 1–3.

Oh, Wondrous Image, Vision Fair

DEO GRACIAS

*Gospel Lesson | NT pages 65-66 in pew Bibles.

Luke 9:28-43a

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Hymn | See hymn at the end of worship guide. Stanzas 4–5.

Oh, Wondrous Image, Vision Fair

DEO GRACIAS

Sermon

The Fullness of Following Jesus

Response

*Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried: he descended into hell; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Call to Prayer

Minister: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you.

Minister: Let us pray.

Prayers of the People | The congregation responds to each petition:

People: Hear our prayer.

Offertory Anthem

True Light Keith Hampton

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. Almighty God is light! He lives in us as true light.

In the beginning, out of the darkness, God created true light. He lives in us as true light. Almighty God is light! He lives in us as true light.

Don't let the light that you've given me die, and don't desert my mind. But let the one who serves you praise you again and again. Almighty God is light! He lives in us as true light. You are the one who judges right from wrong. Your glory excites no envy. But let the one who serves you praise you again and again. Almighty God is light! He lives in us as true light.

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. Hold on to the true light: I'm gonna let it shine.

God's love, God's grace: I'm gonna let it shine. Everywhere I go I want the world to know: God gave the world true light.

Everywhere I go I want the world to know: God gave the world true light.

-K. Hampton

*Doxology

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia, Alleluia! Praise God above, ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Thanksgiving

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*The Lord's Prayer | All are encouraged to pray the Lord's Prayer in the language of their choosing.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.
Amen.

Sending Forth

*Choral Benediction

God Be in My Head

John Rutter

God be in my head and in my understanding, God be in my eyes and in my looking, God be in my mouth and in my speaking, God be in my heart and in my thinking, God be in my end and in my departing.

—Sarum Primer

*Benediction

*Closing Hymn 428

Christ Is the World's Light

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

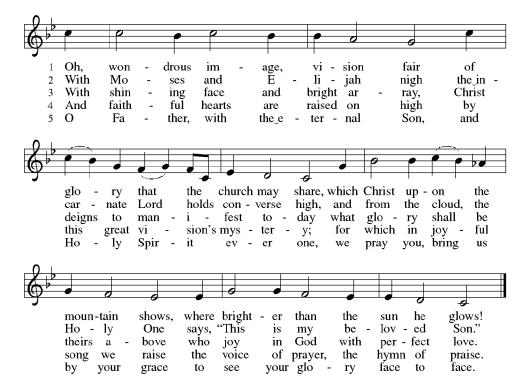
Closing Voluntary

Fugue in B Minor, BWV 544/2

J. S. Bach

Oh, Wondrous Image, Vision Fair

DEO GRACIAS



Text: Sarum, 15th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt. Music: DEO GRACIAS, English ballad, 15th cent.

TODAY IN WORSHIP

Presiding Ministers	
Carol Gregg	Pastor, Congregation at Duke Chapel
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Robert Parkins	
Christopher Jacobson	Chapel Organist, Duke University Chapel
Monica Szabo-Nyeste	Soloist
Head Usher	

Today's Offering | All of today's checks written to Duke University Chapel will be used to support the Chapel's PathWays program. You are invited to give online at chapel.duke.edu/offering. Send checks to: Duke University Chapel, Box 90974, Durham, NC 27708-0974.

Today's Flowers | The flowers for the worship service today are given by the Gotham Fund to the glory of God and in memory of Mary Duke Biddle Trent Semans.

Accessibility | Large print hymnals and worship guides are available at the visitor relations desk. Hearing assistance units are available at the AV console in the rear of the Chapel.

Music Acknowledgments | Psalm 99, translation (c) 1984 Helen L. Wright. Music (c) 1989 Hope Publishing Co. Reprinted under OneLicense.net #A-725399.

University Prayer of Thanksgiving | Each week, we focus on a different campus unit, school, or department for whom to give thanks to God for their service and contributions to the wider university and beyond. This morning we give thanks for the Sarah P. Duke Gardens.

Restrooms in Divinity School | Public restrooms are available in the Divinity School. To access them, exit the Chapel through the main front doors and enter the Divinity School. Restrooms are along the hallway in the Divinity School.

Tour After the Service | Learn about the history, architecture, and life of Duke Chapel on a tour immediately following the service. The tour is free and lasts about forty-five minutes. Meet the docent outside in front of the Chapel.

Students Stay for Pizza | University students are invited to stay for pizza in the Chapel basement lounge following worship this morning. This will be an informal time of connection through food and conversation.

Evensong Singers Concert | The stirring words and imagery of seventeenth-century poets John Milton and John Donne have inspired composers for three hundred years to write some of their finest music. Sung by the Evensong Singers today at 4:00 p.m., this concert, "Poetry in Music," will explore profound historic and modern poetry set to music by composers including Hubert Parry, William Harris, Stephanie Martin, and William Walton. The program will also feature the world premiere of *Te Deum and Jubilate* by British composer Joanna Marsh. Admission is free.

Ash Wednesday Services | This Wednesday, March 2, the Chapel will observe Ash Wednesday with services at 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. During both services, ministers will mark those who attend with ashes as a reminder that "we are dust, and to dust we shall return." At the 7:00 p.m. service, the Vespers Ensemble and Chapel Choir will lead the music.

Duke Chapel Reads | As part of its Duke Chapel Reads series, the Chapel is organizing discussion groups about the book *Tattoos on the Heart: The Power of Boundless Compassion* by Fr. Gregory Boyle. With wit and tenderness, Fr. Boyle tells the stories and lessons he learned from creating Homeboy Industries, a nonprofit in Los Angeles that offers former gang members opportunities for work, healing, and belonging. Students and others who would like to join a reading group during the season of Lent in March and April should contact the Rev. Bruce Puckett, assistant dean of the Chapel, at bruce.puckett@duke.edu.

Lenten Book Groups | Starting this Wednesday, March 2, two book groups will discuss *Be the Bridge: Pursuing God's Heart for Racial Reconciliation* by Latasha Morrison. With prayers, discussion questions, and other resources, this book presents a compelling vision of what it means for every follower of Jesus to become a bridge builder. Book groups will meet by Zoom at 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. for the five Wednesdays in March. Please contract congregation@duke.edu for the Zoom links.

Volunteer With Habitat | Volunteers are needed this Saturday, March 5, to work on landscaping at a new Habitat home. Shifts are 8:30–11:30 a.m. and 12:30–3:30 p.m. For detailed information, please contact <u>congregation@duke.edu</u>.

Acclaimed British Vocal Ensemble to Perform Timeless Sacred Music |

The British vocal ensemble Magnificat will give two concerts at Duke University, March 16 and 18, featuring early music composers whose work continues to resonate and inspire. In addition to the concerts, the ensemble will sing in Duke Chapel worship services and offer workshops as an ensemble-in-residence March 13–20. There is no cost to attend the two concerts, but free tickets from the Duke Box Office are required for admittance. Face masks are required to be worn at all of the group's concerts and other events.

- Music of Protest and Rebellion Concert—Wednesday, March 16, at 7:30 p.m. in Duke Chapel
- Choral Vespers with William Byrd's Great Service—Thursday, March 17, at 7:00 p.m. in Duke Chapel
- Bach Motets Concert—Friday, March 18, at 8:00 p.m. in Baldwin Auditorium

Learn more and sign up for tickets: https://chapel.duke.edu/magnificat.

Christian Education Classes | The Congregation provides weekly Sunday morning Christian education from 9:45–10:45 a.m. for all ages. Classes, which are held both in person and virtually, are open to the public. New participants are welcome at any time. Please contact congregation@duke.edu for Zoom link. Classes are as follows:

Wee Praise: Music and movement for children ages 0–3 with parents or caregivers (available virtually).

Godly Play: Spiritual formation for children ages 4 through 5th grade (available virtually).

Youth Bible Study: A study of the gospel of Luke for youth grades 6–12 in Westbrook 0013 and by Zoom.

Adult Bible Study: A study of Ephesians for adults in Westbrook 0015 and by Zoom.

Adult Forum: On March 6, Jonathan Homrighausen, Ph.D. candidate in Religious Studies, Duke University, will address "Planting Letters, Weaving Lines: The Song of Songs, Calligraphy, and The Saint John's Bible" in Westbrook 0012 and by Zoom.

LET'S KEEP IN TOUCH

We would like to get to know you. What are your questions? What is your story? Take a moment to fill out a very brief form and a Chapel minister or other staff member will contact you soon. Scan the QR code or visit chapel.duke.edu/connect.







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