

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost Sunday, August 21, 2022, 11:00 a.m.



Sarcophagus in Vatican City, Christ in the Act of Healing, c. 3rd-4th centuries.

Today's lessons revolve around the theme of the proper use of the sabbath. The prophet Isaiah emphasized that the sabbath is not about self-interested action but about honoring God. Isaiah calls for feeding the hungry and meeting the needs of the afflicted as a way of shining with God's light, honoring the Lord, and making the sabbath holy. In the Gospel lesson from Luke, Jesus was teaching on the sabbath when a woman who had been crippled for eighteen years approached him. After he healed the woman, a leader of the synagogue questioned Jesus because he healed her on the sabbath. Jesus responded by saying the sabbath is made for setting people free from bondage. At this, the people rejoiced greatly because, through Jesus's message and healing, God's light shone like the noonday sun.

Gathering

Prelude

Japan Variations ("What a Friend We Have in Jesus") Dick Koomans Preludium – Tranquillo – Allegro – Allegro ma non troppo (b. 1957)

Greeting and Call to Worship

*Processional Hymn 103

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

ST. DENIO

*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.

The minister speaks words of assurance.

*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:

Almighty God, you search us and know us: as we seek to search and know you through the reading of your word, may we learn to rely on you in strength and rest on you in weakness, now and in all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson | OT pages 647–648 in pew Bibles.

Isaiah 58:9b-14

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

New Testament Lesson | NT page 213 in pew Bibles.

Hebrew 12:18-29

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gradual Music

Create in Me a Clean Heart

Glenn Hardy

Create in me a clean heart O God; and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy holy spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me with thy free spirit.
Then will I teach transgressors thy ways; and sinners shall be converted unto thee.
O Lord, open thou my lips; and my mouth shall show forth thy praise.

-Psalm 51:10-13, 15

*Gospel Lesson | NT page 71 in pew Bibles.

Luke 13:10-17

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Religio and the Breach

Response

*Response Hymn 121

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

WELLESLEY

*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

Mache dich, mein Herze, rein

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

Mache dich, mein Herze, rein, Ich will Jesum selbst begraben. Denn er soll nunmehr in mir Für und für Seine süße Ruhe haben. Welt, geh aus, laß Jesum ein! Make my heart pure from sin.
I would bury my Lord:
May He find rest in me,
Ever in eternity,
His sweet repose be here.
World, depart, let Jesus enter in!

*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

*Benediction

*Closing Hymn 102

Now Thank We All Our God

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Closing Voluntary

Japan Variations: Allegro – Choral (Maestoso) D. Koomans

Memorial Chapel Communion | Immediately following today's worship service, a brief communion service will be held in Memorial Chapel. Following communion, the pastor will be available to offer prayers and anointing.

TODAY IN WORSHIP

Presiding M	inisters
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Bruce Puckett
Carol Gregg
Preacher
Luke A. Powery
Lectors
Liv Vermane
Laura Catherine Wilson
Musicians
Christopher Short. Soloist
Jane Lynch
Head Usher
James Ferguson

Today's Offering | All of today's cash offerings and checks written to Duke University Chapel will be used for an emergency fund for disaster and recovery support for communities affected by natural disasters and humanitarian crises. Send checks to: Duke University Chapel, Box 90974, Durham, NC 27708-0974. You are invited to give online at chapel.duke.edu/offering. **Today's Flowers** | Flowers for today's worship service are provided by the generosity of the Erlenbach Family Trust.

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.

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 community and beyond. This morning we give thanks for the parents of Duke students.

ENGAGE

Welcoming Students Back to Campus | We look forward to welcoming new students to campus this coming week! By participating in the life of the Chapel, as well as by joining campus Religious Life groups, students can connect their faith with their education at Duke. To see the many ways students bridge faith and learning through Chapel programs and ministries, visit chapel.duke.edu/students.

Restrooms in Divinity School | Public restrooms are available in the Divinity School. To access them, exit the Chapel through the main front doors, turn to the left, 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.

Young Adult Bible Study Tomorrow | University graduate students, other young adults, and their partners are invited to a virtual Bible study on the second and fourth Monday of the month. The next discussion will be tomorrow, Monday, August 22, at 6:30 p.m. and will be on the Book of Ephesians. New participants are welcome at any time. Please contact Laura Catherine Wilson at laura.wilson@duke.edu for the Zoom link or additional information.

2022–23 Duke Chapel Concert Season | This year, the Chapel's concert season will resound with songs praising God's goodness and reiterating the church's desire for a more just world. To see the full schedule, visit chapel.duke.edu/music.

Chapel Choir Auditions and Open Rehearsals | The Duke Chapel Choir begins its 2022–2023 season this Wednesday, August 24, and students, staff, and community members are invited to participate! All are welcome to attend open rehearsals on Wednesday, August 24, from 6:00 to 8:00 pm, and Sunday, August 28, from 9:00 to 10:30 am. Auditions for the choir will be held by appointment from August 29 through September 2. Visit https://oufneffes-free.10to8.com to schedule an audition. For more information about the audition process, or to inquire about the Chapel's other choirs, email chapelmusic@duke.edu.

Durham Pilgrimage of Pain and Hope This Fall | Students, Duke community members, and others are invited to discover how their spiritual journeys are connected to our city of Durham through the Durham Pilgrimage of Pain and Hope. Held on the weekend of September 9–11, the pilgrimage is led by DurhamCares, a local nonprofit with a mission to foster collaboration, develop leaders, and educate the people of Durham to care for their neighbors in holistic ways. Space on the pilgrimage is limited. Contact the Chapel's community minister, the Rev. Breana van Velzen, by August 25 to learn more and sign up: breana.van.velzen@duke.edu.

Saturday Service Project—Crop Drop | Join Duke Religious Life groups and Durham community members to pack bags of potatoes for local organizations providing food to people in need. This event on Saturday, August 27 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. is hosted by Religious Life at Duke and the Society of St. Andrew. Volunteers will meet between the East Duke building and the East Campus gazebo. For those driving, parking will be available behind the Epworth building. To take the bus, ride the #11 city bus or the C1 campus bus. To learn more and sign up, visit chapel.duke.edu/CropDrop.

LGBTQ+ Fellowship | Members of the LGBTQ+ community and their allies are invited to attend a fellowship gathering on the fourth Sunday of each month from 12:15–1:15 p.m. in the Congregation Office, located in the lower level of the Chapel, and over Zoom. The next meeting will be Sunday, August 28. For more information, please contact congregation@duke.edu.

Choral Evensong | The first Choral Evensong worship service of the semester will be next Sunday, August 28, at 4:00 p.m. Choral Evensong is a historic liturgy derived from Vespers and Compline, ancient monastic prayer services of the Christian church. Evensong at the Chapel follows the Book of Common Prayer and features stirring choral and organ music of the English cathedral tradition, led by the Chapel's Evensong Singers.

Humanitarian Service Award Nominations | The Chapel's Humanitarian Service Award aims to recognize individuals who have demonstrated both a long-term commitment to serving others and a lifestyle marked by simplicity. The recipient of the award is honored with a grant of up to \$3,000 given to the nonprofit they designate. Read more about the award and nominate someone by September 2 at chapel.duke.edu/community.

Seeking Your Spiritual Direction | Students are invited to join a four-week series at the start of the semester to explore the diverse array of spiritual and religious opportunities on campus. This program is open to all students, from any religious tradition or none. Each week, participants will have some simple exercises to do on their own. Students will gather weekly for about an hour of discussion. Learn more and sign up by September 8 at chapel.duke.edu/SpiritualDirection.

Theology Underground | Students are invited to participate in Theology Underground, a series of guided conversations about how culture, identity, and race impact the way we live out our faith and beliefs. The Rev. Racquel Gill, the Chapel's minister for intercultural engagement, will lead the discussions. Each month, the group will engage with a different cultural community and learn about their unique and creative ways of imagining God and living out their faith. Theology Underground begins Tuesday, September 13, at 6:30 p.m. in the Mary Lou Williams Center Underground Multipurpose Room. Learn more at chapel.duke.edu/TheologyUnderground.

Small Group Ministry | The Congregation's small group ministry is called "Life Together Groups." The ministry focuses on sharing life and prayers in a comfortable and confidential setting to deepen relational ties with one another. Life Together Groups meet every other week for seventy-five minutes at a time. Four Life Together Groups have been meeting for two years over Zoom, and all groups welcome new participants. In addition, new groups may be formed according to interest. Please contact Pastor Carol Gregg at carol.gregg@duke.edu for more information.

Back Pew Collection | Help Durham school children get needed school supplies as the new school year begins! Please place donations for Crayons2Calculators on the back pew this morning.

Sunday Morning Classes—Fall Schedule | Sunday morning Christian Education classes are available for all ages year-round, with the fall schedule beginning on August 28. New participants are welcome at any time. Please contact congregation@duke.edu for additional information or the Zoom link. The classes are as follows:

Wee Praise: Music and movement for children ages 0-3 with parents or caregivers in person in room 0011 Westbrook.

Godly Play: Spiritual formation for children ages 4 through 5th grade in person in room 0050 Langford.

Youth Bible Study: Youth in 6th–12th grades will explore Exodus in person in room 0013 Westbrook.

Adult Forum: On August 28, Elizabeth Schrader, a Duke Ph.D. candidate in early Christianity, will present an "Introduction to New Testament Textual Criticism."

We would like to get to know you. What are your questions? What is your story? Take a moment to fill out a 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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