



Abbey of St. Peter, *Abraham, Lazarus, and Dives*, 12th century.

Today's scripture passages challenge conventional thinking about wealth. In 1 Timothy, the disciples are warned against the love of money and encouraged to find contentment and pursue faith. In Luke's gospel, Jesus tells a parable where a rich man's life is set against that of a poor man, Lazarus. When the rich man discovers that the blessings of earthly life do not necessarily reflect the judgment or kingdom of God, he pleads to have someone sent to his family to warn them of what may await them. Father Abraham says to the rich man that his family has the message and the warning provided by the law and the prophets. Further, if they do not heed the warning they have, they will not even respond if someone rises from the dead.

## Gathering

### Carillon

#### Opening Voluntary

Toccata and Fugue in E minor

Johann Ernst Eberlin  
(1702–1762)

#### Greeting and Call to Worship

#### \*Processional Hymn 103

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

ST. DENIO

## Baptism

**Presentation of Candidates** | Yasóla Regin-Eliana McDaniel is presented for baptism by her parents, and Connor Kennedy Wahl is presented for baptism by his parents.

**Profession and Renunciation** | The Congregation and those presenting candidates for baptism affirm their faith by responding to the following questions.

Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you turn from the ways of sin and renounce evil and its power in the world?

**I do.**

Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Lord and Savior, trusting in his grace and love?

**I do.**

Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his Word and showing his love?

**I will.**

#### Profession of Faith

**Believing that God reaches out to us with love and forgiveness, we seek to grow together in faith through worship, study, service and our life together, to the end that we embody Christ's compassion and holiness.**

\*All rise as able

## Commitment by the Congregation

### Prayer over the Water

### Baptism

### Commissioning Prayer and Welcome

**With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome you into Christ's church to share with us in his ministry, for we are all one in Christ.**

## Proclamation

Prayer for Illumination | In unison:

**God, our judge and savior, as you open your word to us, teach us to be open to your truth and to trust in your love, so that we may live each day with confidence in the salvation that is given through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Psalmody

Praise Ye the Lord

Emma Lou Diemer

Praise ye the LORD. Praise the LORD, O my soul.  
While I live will I praise the LORD:  
I will sing praises unto my God while I have any being.  
Put not your trust in princes, in whom there is no help;  
nor in the son of man, in whom there is no help.  
Happy are they that have God for their help,  
whose hope is in the LORD their God:  
Which made heaven and earth,  
the sea, and all that is therein,  
which giveth food to the hungry,  
and opens the eyes of the blind:  
The LORD raiseth them that are bowed down:  
The LORD loveth the righteous:  
And the way of the wicked he turneth upside down.

—*Psalm 146*

1 Timothy 6:6–19

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

Poor Man Laz'rus

spiritual, arr. Jester Hairston

Poor man Lazarus, sick and disabled,  
he had to eat crumbs from the rich man's table.  
Dip your finger in the water,  
come and cool my tongue,  
'cause I'm tormented in the flame.

I'm tormented in the flame.  
I'm tormented in the flame.  
Dip your finger in the water,  
come and cool my tongue,  
'cause I'm tormented in the flame.

Rich man Divies, he lived so well.  
And when he died, he went straight to hell.  
Dip your finger in the water,  
come and cool my tongue,  
'cause I'm tormented in the flame.

I love to shout, I love to sing.  
I love to praise my heavenly King.  
Dip your finger in the water,  
come and cool my tongue,  
'cause I'm tormented in the flame.

—*Black spiritual*

\*Gospel Lesson | NT page 75 in pew Bibles.

Luke 16:19–31

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

In Between Nothing

Response

\*Response Hymn 581

Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service

BEACH SPRING

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.**

Prayer of Dedication

Offertory Music

Prelude in B minor, BWV 869a

Johann Sebastian Bach  
(1685–1750)

\*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, 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 Response

The Spirit of the Lord

Zebulon M. Highben

May the Spirit of the Lord rest upon you,  
the Spirit of wisdom and understanding,  
the Spirit of counsel and might,  
the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.  
Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel,  
who alone has done wondrous things.

—Isaiah 11:2 and Psalm 72:18, *adapt.*

### \*Benediction

### \*Closing Hymn 577

God of Grace and God of Glory

CWM RHONDDA

### Closing Voluntary

Improvisation on ST. DENIO

### Carillon

**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 Ministers**

Breana van Velzen..... *Community Minister, Duke University Chapel*  
Carol Gregg..... *Pastor, Congregation at Duke Chapel*

**Preacher**

Luke A. Powery.....*Dean, Duke University Chapel*

**Lectors**

Evan Bille..... *Communications and Outreach Assistant, Congregation at Duke Chapel*  
Daniel Jacky .....*Organ Scholar, Duke University Chapel*

**Musicians**

Duke Chapel Choir ..... *Choir*  
Zebulon Highben..... *Director of Chapel Music, Duke University Chapel*  
Robert Parkins ..... *University Organist, Duke University*  
Chad Fothergill..... *Interim Chapel Organist, Duke University Chapel*  
Daniel Jacky ..... *Organ Scholar, Duke University Chapel*  
Mitchell Eithun .....*Chapel Carillonneur, Duke University Chapel*

**Head Usher**

James Ferguson..... *Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel*

**Baptized Today** | Please welcome the newly baptized members of Christ's church. Yasóla Regin-Eliana McDaniel is the daughter of Adrian McDaniel and Charlyse Myhand-McDaniel, and sister to Cevaeh, Elijah, Israel, and Jordan. Connor Kennedy Wahl is the son of Tom and Megan Wahl.

**Piano Dedication** | Today in worship we dedicate the Chapel's new grand piano, which will be featured over the next several weeks in a variety of musical roles: accompanying choral anthems, leading hymns, and performing voluntaries. The instrument, Bösendorfer 225, was built in Austria and procured through Ruggero Piano of Raleigh, North Carolina, thanks to generous donations to Duke University Chapel and the Duke Catholic Center.

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

**Today's Flowers** | Flowers for today's worship service are provided by the generosity of the Elizabeth Lucina Gotham Memorial Chapel Endowment.

**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.

## ENGAGE

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**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. Today we give thanks for the Duke University Dance Program.

**Organ Recital Today** | In the first organ recital of the year, Ken Cowan will perform on the Chapel's Aeolian organ today at 5:00 p.m. Cowan, professor of organ at Rice University, is regarded as one of North America's premier concert organists, and a rigorous performing schedule takes him to major concert venues in Europe and Asia as well. There is no charge for admission.

**Young Adult Bible Study and Dinner Tomorrow** | University graduate students, other young adults, and their partners are invited to dinner and Bible study on the second and fourth Mondays of the month. The next gathering will be tomorrow, September 26, at 6:30 p.m. in the Chapel kitchen located in the lower level of the Chapel. Come for a light supper and good conversation. This fall, the group will explore the book of Exodus. Please contact [laura.wilson@duke.edu](mailto:laura.wilson@duke.edu) for additional information.

**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, with campus partners across various identities serving as conversation partners. 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. The next meeting is this Tuesday, September 27, at 6:30 p.m. in the Mary Lou Williams Center Underground Multipurpose Room. Learn more at [chapel.duke.edu/TheologyUnderground](http://chapel.duke.edu/TheologyUnderground).

**Michaelmas Vespers Sept. 29** | A special service this Thursday, September 29, at 7:00 p.m. will mark the Feast of Saint Michael and all Angels, or "Michaelmas." In this service, the Duke Vespers Ensemble will sing music telling the dramatic story of the Archangel Michael expelling Lucifer from heaven and of Seraphim proclaiming the Glory of God.



**Chapel Scholars** | Among the many students who connect with the Chapel, a select group embarks on a journey of faith and learning related to questions of purpose, meaning, and calling. These students are the Chapel Scholars. Chapel Scholars form an interdenominational community of Christian students connected to the Chapel. Together, they ask and seek answers to life's deepest questions. Through study, service, counsel, and worship, Chapel Scholars build community across traditions and are formed together in faith. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis. Learn more and apply at [chapel.duke.edu/scholars](https://chapel.duke.edu/scholars).

**Fall New Member Class** | The four-week New Member Class will next be held on Sundays, October 2, 9, 16, and 23, from 9:45 a.m.–10:45 a.m. in Westbrook 0014. All those who wish to explore membership in the Congregation at Duke Chapel are welcome to attend. For more information, please contact [carol.gregg@duke.edu](mailto:carol.gregg@duke.edu).

**Hymn Festival on Oct. 8** | On Saturday, October 8, at 9:30 a.m., the Duke Chapel Choir and Amalgam Brass will present a 45-minute hymn festival for the North Carolina conference of the American Choral Directors Association. The hymn festival will be held in Duke Chapel and is open to the public. The program will feature a variety of hymns and anthems led from the Aeolian and Flentrop organs as well as the new Bösendorfer piano. All are welcome to attend.

**Sunday Morning Parking Passes** | For those who are on campus on Sunday mornings, passes are available that permit parking in the Bryan Center garage on Sundays between 6:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. The parking pass, which is the size and shape of a business card, has an image that can be scanned to enter and exit the garage at both the upper- and lower-level entrances. These passes may be picked up from the Chapel attendant's desk beginning today.

**Sunday Morning Classes** | Sunday morning Christian Education classes are available for all ages. These classes are offered from 9:45–10:45 a.m., with coffee and refreshments provided at 9:30 a.m. Classes meet in the lowest level of the Westbrook building. New participants are welcome at any time. Please contact [congregation@duke.edu](mailto:congregation@duke.edu) or additional information.

## LET'S KEEP IN TOUCH

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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](https://chapel.duke.edu/connect).



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