

### SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Sixth Sunday of Easter Sunday, May 6, 2018, 11:00 a.m.



Detail, Love One Another, Nathan Harper, 2008

This morning's scripture readings teach of the miraculous love that is the testimony of the Christian life. Those who have faith that Jesus is the Son of God are given the gift of becoming children of God. We are then called to abide in the perfect love that the Father has for Jesus, as we ourselves abide in Christ. Those who abide in this love will keep Jesus' commands, and those who do this will love even unto death, bearing much fruit and living a life with fullness of joy.

# Gathering

Carillon

Choral Prelude

Of the Father's Love Begotten

Edwin T. Childs

**Greetings and Announcements** 

\*Processional Hymn 475

Come Down, O Love Divine

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\*Prayers 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.

# Proclamation

Prayer for Illumination | In unison:

Risen Christ, you love us as the Father has loved you: send your Spirit now to help us abide in your love through your word. In your name we pray, Amen.

First Lesson | NT page 130 in the pew Bibles

Acts 10:44-48

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

Ubi Caritas Maurice Duruflé (1902–1986)

Where charity and love are, God is there.

Christ's love has gathered us into one.

Let us rejoice and be pleased in Him.

Let us fear, and let us love the living God.

And may we love each other with a sincere heart.

Amen.

\* All who are able may stand

<sup>\*</sup>Peace | All exchange signs and words of God's peace.

Second Lesson | NT page 227 in the pew Bibles

1 John 5:1-6

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

\*Gradual Hymn 428 (Stanzas 1-2) | Face the Gospel Procession

For the Healing of the Nations

CWM RHONDDA

Gospel Lesson | NT page 103 in the pew Bibles

John 15:9-17

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

\*Gradual Hymn 428 (Stanzas 3-4) | Face the Gospel Procession

For the Healing of the Nations

**CWM RHONDDA** 

Sermon

Favor Ain't Fair

# Response

\*The 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.

### Gather by the River to Pray

# DOWN TO THE RIVER TO PRAY/ SHALL WE GATHER AT THE RIVER

arr. Pepper Choplin (b. 1957)

As I went down to the river to pray, studyin' about that good ole way and who shall wear the starry crown, good Lord, show me the way. O brother, let's go down, let's go down, come on down. O brother, let's go down, down to the river to pray. Shall we gather at the river, Where bright angel feet have trod; With its crystal tide forever Flowing by the throne of God? Ere we reach the shining river, Lay we ev'ry burden down; Grace our spirits will deliver, And provide a robe and crown. Soon we'll reach the shining river, Soon our pilgrimage will cease;

Refrain: Yes, we'll gather at the river, The beautiful, the beautiful river; Gather with the saints at the river That flows by the throne of God.

Soon our happy hearts will quiver

With the melody of peace.

#### \*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.

A child and youth member of the Congregation at Duke University Chapel bring forward offerings collected in the children and youth Sunday School classes.

# Sending Forth

- \*Prayer of Thanksgiving
- \*The Lord's Prayer | All are encouraged to pray the Lord's Prayer in the language of their choosing. The English version is number 895 in the hymnal.
- \*Benediction
- \*Choral Benediction

Dominus Vobiscum

Jacob Narverud (b. 1986)

The Lord be with you, peace be with you and with your spirit. Amen.

\*Closing Processional Hymn 57

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

**AZMON** 

Closing Voluntary

Allegro con spirito in B-flat major

Frank Bridge (1879–1941)

#### Carillon

Communion Service in Memorial Chapel | Immediately following today's worship service, a brief communion service will be held in Memorial Chapel. Following communion, the pastor will be available to anoint and pray with individuals.

# **TODAY IN WORSHIP**

PRESIDING MINISTERS
The Rev. Dr. Luke A. Powery
The Rev. Dr. Carol Gregg
PREACHER
The Rev. Joshua Lazard
LECTORS
Ms. Lisa Moore
The Rev. Breana van Velzen Community Ministry Outreach Coordinator, Divinity '17
MUSICIANS
Millbrook High School Madrigals
Ms. Brenda Fernandez
Mr. Eddie Adams
Mr. Christopher Jacobson
Mr. J. Samuel Hammond
MEMORIAL CHAPEL COMMUNION
The Rev. Dr. Carol Gregg
HEAD USHERS
Dr. James Ferguson and Mr. Rick Wilfong

### TODAY IN WORSHIP (Continued)

**TODAY'S FLOWERS** | Flowers for today's worship service are given to the glory of God by the Gotham Fund in memory of Mary Duke Biddle Trent Semans and in honor of her former classmates: Ann Louise Reist Dunlap, Maxine Chambers Engert, and Betty Pyle Baldwin.

**TODAY'S OFFERING** | All of today's cash offerings and checks written to Duke University Chapel will be used to support human service organizations in the greater Durham area.

**TODAY'S GUEST CHOIR |** The Millbrook High School Madrigals are a mixed auditioned ensemble that typically ranges from 25–35 members. Represented in this group are sophomores through seniors who dedicate themselves year round to daily rehearsals and who average twenty to thirty performances a year. These performances include Duke Chapel, the NC Executive Mansion, State Capitol Building, concerts at Millbrook High School, and many other school performances.

**STAFF APPRECIATION SUNDAY** | Today the Chapel honors the staff and faculty of Duke University. We give thanks for all who make the university what it is through their work and service.

**ACCESSIBILITY** | Large print hymnals and bulletins are available at the front desk. Hearing assistance units are available at the back left sound desk.

**RECEIVE PRAYER** | Prayer requests may be placed in the prayer box located by the Memorial Chapel.

**FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN** | Children 4 and younger are welcome to visit the nursery (capacity limited), located in the Chapel lower level, beginning at 10:45 a.m. each week.

# **ENGAGE**

**WELCOME TO DUKE CHAPEL** | If you have questions about the ministries of Duke Chapel or the Congregation at Duke Chapel, please stop by the Welcome Desk in the narthex. Those staffing the table will be happy to answer your questions. **CHAPEL TOUR** | For a tour of Duke Chapel, meet today's docent near the front steps of the Chapel following the service.

**CHORAL EVENSONG** | The final Choral Evensong service of the semester is this afternoon at 4:00 p.m., with a special Ascension Day Evensong that celebrates Christ's ascension into heaven following his Resurrection. This service of music and scripture will include Herbert Howells' *St. Paul's Service*, and Patrick Gowers' epic anthem *Viri Galilei* accompanied by two organists, soloists, and double choir depicting fiery chariots carrying Jesus up into the clouds of heaven.

# ENGAGE (Continued)

**NEXT WEEKEND** | On Sunday, May 13, there will be no 11:00 a.m. worship service due to all of the commencement activities occurring on campus. Weekly worship services will resume on May 20.

HALL REWARD RECIPIENT | With support from the Chapel's Betty and Bob Hall Award, junior Savanna Groft will travel this summer to Nicaragua to serve with the Christian nonprofit organization Amos Health & Hope, which seeks to improve the health of impoverished communities by working alongside them in health, education, and development. In collaboration with Nicaraguan leaders who work with Amos, Savanna will conduct research and community educational programs. The Hall Award is given each year to a student doing Christian service work during the summer.

**DEAN POWERY AT FESTIVAL OF HOMILETICS** | Chapel Dean Luke Powery has once again been invited to be a speaker at the annual Festival of Homiletics. This year the conference is May 21–25 in Washington, D.C. Dean Powery will be giving a lecture titled "A Ministry of the Spirit" and a sermon based on Matthew 22:15–22 called "Pledging Allegiance."

**QUILTERS** | The Duke Chapel Quilters meet every three or four months for three consecutive Tuesdays to sew prayer quilts. The group will next meet May 8, 15, and 22 at 9:30 a.m. at the home of Ann Recesso. Participants of all sewing skills are welcome. The group also welcomes donations of batting and cotton fabric. Please call Ann Recesso at 919-929-8218 for more information.

**SECOND WEDNESDAY LUNCH** | Informal conversation and fellowship in a local restaurant is the only agenda for the Second Wednesday Lunch. On May 9 at 12-noon, participants will gather at Thai Café, 2501 University Drive, Durham, with each person purchasing their own meal. Please notify the Congregation Office at congregation@duke.edu or 919-684-3917 by Monday, May 7, if you plan to attend.

BASEBALL WITH VETS | The Congregation's Missions and Outreach Committee, along with the Volunteers of America, is sponsoring a trip to the Durham Bulls for the veterans who live at Maple Court in Durham on Friday, May 18, at 7:05 p.m. Please join the fun by attending the game (tickets are \$12) or by making a financial contribution to cover the cost of tickets and concessions for the veterans. For more information or to reserve a ticket, please contact Walker Robinson at twalkerrobinson@gmail.com.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** | Volunteers are needed on Saturday, May 19, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., to assist the staff of Achievement Academy of Durham in packing and cleaning to prepare for moving to their summer site. Achievement Academy, located at 2614 Crest St., Durham, teaches and supports young adults who have dropped out of school in order to reconnect them to the opportunities education provides. Contact the Congregation office for additional details.

# ENGAGE (Continued)

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES** | No classes will be offered on May 13, due to commencement activities on campus. Classes for all ages will resume Sunday, May 20, at 9:45 a.m. in the lowest level of the Westbrook building, Duke Divinity School. Refreshments and fellowship begin at 9:30 a.m. Classes are:

Wee Praise: For children ages 0–3 with parents or caregivers in 0011 Westbrook.

Godly Play: For ages 4 through 5th graders in 0050 Langford. Youth Sunday School: For youth in 6th–12th grade in 0013 Westbrook. Adult Forum: On May 20, Diana Abernethy, a PhD candidate at Duke Divinity School will discuss "Deception in First Samuel" in 0012 Westbrook.

BACK PEW COLLECTION | Monthly bus passes to benefit the students of Achievement Academy of Durham and veterans served by VOA Maple Court Transitional Housing community will be collected Sunday, May 20. A 31-day pass for unlimited rides with GoDurham buses costs \$36. Please deposit your monetary donations in the designated box on the back pew near the Chapel reception desk. If donating by check, please make it payable to the Congregation at Duke Chapel, and add "Bus passes for local missions" on the memo line.

URBAN MINISTRY DINNERS | Ten volunteers and twenty-two cooked lasagnas are needed every month to serve our neighbors at Urban Ministries. The Congregation is committed to providing dinner on the following dates: Sunday, May 13, at 5:15 p.m., Wednesday, June 27, at 6:15 p.m. and Sunday, July 8, at 5:15 p.m. Please let Cricket Scovil know by email at scovilj@aol.com if you are able to assist with these meals. New volunteers are welcome at any time.

For a complete listing of events, please visit chapel.duke.edu/events or sign up to receive weekly e-mails at chapel.duke.edu/email



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