Today the Chapel honors the witness of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., recalling his conviction that “injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere.” The service includes a litany remembering the prophetic witness of Rev. Dr. King and asking for grace for all who continue to work toward God’s justice on earth. The scripture lessons today include stories about God’s calling to individuals to see and hear about God’s work in the world. In 1 Samuel, the young Samuel hears God’s voice three times before responding, “Speak, for your servant is listening.” John’s Gospel tells the story of Jesus’s encounter with Nathanael. When Nathanael learns of Jesus’s origins, he asks Philip, “Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” Philip invites Nathanael to “come and see” what good is happening in the life and work of Jesus. When the world is looking and listening for God’s justice on earth, the invitation for us all is to “come and see” what Jesus is doing today.
Gathering
Opening Prelude

Toccata per l’elevazione

Girolamo Frescobaldi
(1583–1643)

Greeting and Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn | See hymns at the back of the worship guide.

Jesus Calls Us, O’er the Tumult

*Prayer of Confession and Words of Assurance | In unison.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

The minister speaks words of assurance.

*Greeting of 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

God of all mercy, your Son proclaimed good news to the poor, release to the captives, and freedom to the oppressed: as your word is read today, anoint us with your Holy Spirit and set all your people free to praise you in Christ our Lord. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson

1 Samuel 3:1–10

*All rise as able
Psalm 139:1–6, 13–18

LORD, you have searched me out;
O LORD, you have known me.
You know my sitting down and my rising up;
you discern my thoughts from afar.
You trace my journeys and my resting-places
and are acquainted with all my ways.
Indeed, there is not a word on my lips,
but you, O LORD, know it altogether. Refrain
You encompass me, behind and before,
and lay your hand upon me.
Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
it is so high that I cannot attain to it.
For you yourself created my inmost parts;
you knit me together in my mother’s womb.
I will thank you because I am marvelously made;
your works are wonderful, and I know it well. Refrain
My body was not hidden from you,
while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth.
Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb;
all of them were written in your book;
my days were fashioned before they came to be.
How deep I find your thoughts, O God!
How great is the sum of them!
If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand;
to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours. Refrain

New Testament Lesson

1 Corinthians 6:12–20

*Gospel Lesson

John 1:43–51

Sermon

Nazareth?
Response

Anthem (Virtual)

I Believe This Is Jesus spiritual, arr. Undine Smith Moore

I believe this is Jesus, come and see, come and see.
Oh, I believe this is Jesus, come and see, come and see.

The light of God shines in his face, oh, come and see.
He offers all his pardoning grace. Come and see, come and see!

I believe this is Jesus, come and see, come and see.
I believe this is Jesus, come and see, come and see.

Prayer Litany for Martin Luther King, Jr. Sunday | Congregation responses in bold

We remember the conviction of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. that “freedom is never voluntarily given by the oppressor; it must be demanded by the oppressed.”
Lord, give courage and determination to those who are oppressed.
We remember Dr. King’s warning that “a negative peace which is the absence of tension” is less than “a positive peace which is the presence of justice.”
Lord, help those who work for peace in our world to cry out first for justice.
We remember Dr. King’s insight that “injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere. We are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality tied in a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly affects all indirectly.”
Lord, allow us to see nothing in isolation, but know ourselves bound to one another and to all people under heaven.
We remember Dr. King’s lament that “the contemporary church is often a weak, ineffectual voice with an uncertain sound. It is so often the arch-supporter of the status quo. Far from being disturbed by the presence of the church, the power structure of the average community is consoled by the church’s silent and often vocal sanction of things as they are.”
Lord, we pray that neither this congregation nor any church may be silent in the face of wrong, but that we may be disturbers of the status quo when that is your call to us.
We remember Dr. King’s hope that “dark clouds of racial prejudice will soon pass away and the deep fog of misunderstanding will be lifted from our fear-drenched communities and in some not-too-distant tomorrow the radiant stars of love and brotherhood will shine over our great nation with all their scintillating beauty.”
In faith, Lord, we commend ourselves and our work for justice to your goodness, almighty God. Amen.

—Modified from a litany published by the Reformed Church in America

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

*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

    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 | See hymns at the back of the worship guide.

    Lord, Speak to Us That We May Speak

Closing Voluntary

    Toccata Prima

    Georg Muffat
    (1653–1704)
**MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. ONLINE CEREMONY** | The Rev. Dr. Starsky Wilson, a nationally recognized children’s rights and racial equity champion who in December succeeded Marian Wright Edelman as president of the Children’s Defense Fund, will deliver the keynote address for the university’s annual Martin Luther King, Jr. commemoration ceremony. Rev. Dr. Wilson, an activist and philanthropist who served as chief executive of the church-linked Deaconess Foundation in St. Louis from 2011 until his new appointment, will speak on “Voices of the Movement,” the commemoration theme. The program, usually attended by hundreds in Duke Chapel, is being presented online this year today at 3:00 p.m. Watch the ceremony on the Chapel website.

**CHOIR VIRTUAL AUDITIONS** | The Chapel’s choirs are open to anyone in the Duke and Triangle communities. The Duke Chapel Choir is holding open virtual auditions for the spring. Make new friends, learn great choral music in weekly Zoom gatherings, and add your voice to “virtual choir” recording projects. Duke students are particularly encouraged to participate; scholarships and course credit are available for all undergraduate students. Contact chapelmusic@duke.edu to schedule a Chapel Choir audition, or inquire about the Chapel’s Vespers Ensemble and Evensong Singers. Learn more at chapel.duke.edu/sing.

**MIDWEEK PRAYER** | Please join us for a brief service of prayer on Wednesdays at 12-noon through December 16. To participate in this prayer time, please register for the Zoom call here.

**HUMANITARIAN SERVICE AWARD RECIPIENTS** | The Chapel is recognizing two community leaders this year with its Humanitarian Service Award: the Rev. Annette Currie Love and Susan McSwain. Rev. Love founded and leads the Faith Based Service Network ministry, which educates, encourages, and supports people who have suffered abuse. McSwain is the executive director of...
Reality Ministries, a Christian community organization that creates opportunities for adults with and without developmental disabilities to experience belonging and kinship. McSwain and Rev. Love will be presented their awards during a virtual ceremony, open to the public, on Sunday, January 24, at 2:00 p.m. Join the event online via this Zoom link.

**CHAPEL SCHOLARS APPLICATIONS OPEN** | Chapel Scholars are undergraduates who intentionally engage in Chapel-based programming that nurtures the intellectual, ethical and spiritual life of students. As a Chapel Scholar, undergraduates will have the opportunity to engage with a number of initiatives and events sponsored by the Chapel. Applications are now open on a rolling basis. Learn more and apply at chapel.duke.edu/scholars.

**PATHWAYS FELLOWSHIP FOR GRADUATING SENIORS** | Graduating Duke seniors, and recent graduates, are invited to apply to become a PathWays Fellow. The fellowship gives participants the tools they need to discern their vocational and spiritual direction as well as opportunities for exploration, leadership, mentorship, service, and formation deeply rooted in the local community and their Christian traditions. Learn more and apply by February 19 at chapel.duke.edu/pathways.

**STUDENT PREACHER APPLICATIONS** | On Sunday, March 21, we will continue the Chapel tradition of having a student preach for our 11:00 a.m. worship service. Maybe you are a student, or know a student, who has never thought about preaching at the Chapel, but you feel strangely compelled to give voice to what the Spirit of God is stirring in you? Perhaps you have considered what it would be like to preach in the pulpit at Duke Chapel? Or maybe you are just curious what it feels like to write a sermon? Regardless of what motivates you to consider this opportunity, we hope you will consider applying to be the student preacher for this year. Learn more and apply by February 1.

**RETREAT THIS SATURDAY** | All are welcome to attend a half-day retreat on “Practicing Trust in Times of Transition” this Saturday, January 23, from 9:00 a.m. to 12-noon. Author and teacher Dr. Marilyn McEntyre will lead the retreat. The morning will consist of three 45-minute sessions focused on how to practice trust in times of transition. Each session will include a presentation by Marilyn, as well as the reading of a short poem or passage and a brief writing exercise to fuel further thought and conversation. Please contact congregation@duke.edu for more information.

**YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY** | University graduate students, other young adults, and their partners are invited to a virtual Bible study on the second and fourth Mondays of the month. The conversation will focus on the book of Romans this semester. The next gatherings will be January 25 and February 8 at 6:30 p.m. All questions and perspectives are welcome. Please contact matthew.r.wright@duke.edu for the Zoom link and additional information.

**VIRTUAL BACK PEW COLLECTION** | Urban Ministries of Durham, a homeless shelter, welcomes donations of supplies to aid their work. Their wish list enables donors to have supplies sent directly to Urban Ministries. Donors may also shop locally using the wish list as a guide and drop off supplies at 410 Liberty St., Durham during weekday business hours.

**NEW MEMBER CLASS** | All those considering membership in the Congregation at Duke Chapel are invited to the spring new member class. The four-week class will be held on Sundays from 9:45–10:45 a.m. starting on March 7. The class will be held by Zoom. For more information, please contact carol.gregg@duke.edu.
**ENGAGE**

**BIBLE STUDY ON COLOSSIANS** | A ten week study on the book of Colossians will begin on Sunday, January 24, at 9:45 a.m. In the face of division of loyalty, the letter to Colossae affirms the sole lordship of Christ. All are welcome to participate in a lively discussion of this letter. For more information, contact nathaniel.metz@duke.edu.

**AWAKENING TO THE CALL** | All are welcome to join a half-day retreat on “Bold Action to End Racism” on Saturday, February 27, from 9:00 a.m. to 12-noon. Rev. Mel Williams, a longtime advocate of social justice in Durham, will lead the virtual retreat. Please register here.

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION SCHEDULE** | The Congregation provides weekly Sunday morning Christian education from 9:45–10:45 a.m. for all ages. Classes, which are held virtually, are open to the public and new participants are welcome at any time.

- **Wee Praise:** Music and movement for children ages 0–3 with parents or caregivers
- **Godly Play:** Spiritual formation for children ages 4 through 5th grade
- **Youth Confirmation Class:** An exploration of Christian faith for students in 6th–12th grades
- **Adult Forum:** On January 24, the topic will be “Faith in Colonial Carolina: Courage, Character, Conviction.”
Opening Hymn

Jesus Calls Us, O’er the Tumult

1 Jesus calls us; o’er the tumult of our life’s wild, restless sea,
   turned from home and toil and
   may we hear your call, give our hearts to your o-

2 As of old Saint Andrew heard it by the Galileean lake, day by day his clear voice
   turned from each idol that would sound—
   kindred, leaving all for Jesus’ sake.

3 Jesus calls us from the worship of the vain world’s golden store, still he calls, in cares and
   may we hear your call, give our hearts to your o-
   keep us, saying, “Christian, love me more than these.”

4 In our joys and in our sorrows, days of toil and hours of ease, still he calls, in cares and
   may we hear your call, give our hearts to your o-
   pleasures, “Christian, love me more than these.”

5 Jesus calls us! By your mercy, Savior,
   may we hear your call, give our hearts to your o-
   obedience, serve and love you best of all.

Text: Cecil Frances Alexander, 1818–1895
Music: GALILEE, William H. Jude, 1851–1922
Lord, Speak to Us That We May Speak

1 Lord, speak to us, that we may speak in living echoes of your tone; as you have sought, so let us seek your straying children, lost and lone.

2 Oh, lead us, Lord, that we may lead the wandering and the wavering feet; oh, feed us, Lord, that we may feed your hungering ones with manna sweet.

3 Oh, teach us, Lord, that we may teach the precious truths which you impart; and they may reach the hidden depths of many a heart.

4 Oh, fill us with your fullness, Lord, until our very hearts overflow in kindling thought and glowing word, your love to tell, your praise to show.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt.
Music: CANONBURY, Robert Schumann, 1810–1856