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BRIDGING FAITH & LEARNING

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

Sunday, February 13, 2022, 11:00 a.m.



Arman Manookian, *Coral Tree by Black Point, 1930*.

Who is blessed? Each of our scripture lessons today addresses this question. Psalm 1 says, “Happy are those [whose]...delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law they meditate day and night.” Similarly, in Jeremiah the Lord proclaims, “Blessed are those who trust in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord.” Jesus picks up on the motif of proclaiming blessing when he journeys down from the mountain and begins teaching from a level place. He surprises the crowd gathered before him when he names as blessed in God’s kingdom the poor, the hungry, the weeping, and those who are despised on account of the Son of Man. Most would not call these blessed, yet the Lord who came down the mountain to teach from the plain does.

# Gathering

## Opening Voluntary

Jesus Loves Me

William Bolcom

## Greeting and Call to Worship

### \*Opening Hymn 139

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN

\*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.**

\*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:

**Lord of lofty and level places, send your Spirit to shine in our hearts that as your scriptures are read and your word proclaimed, we would know your blessing today. Amen.**

\*All rise as able

Jeremiah 17:5–10

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalmody | Read responsively: the congregation speaks the verses in bold.

Psalm 1

Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked,  
**or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers;**  
but their delight is in the law of the LORD,  
**and on his law they meditate day and night.**

They are like trees planted by streams of water,  
which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither.  
**In all that they do, they prosper.**

The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away.  
**Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,**  
**nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;**  
for the LORD watches over the way of the righteous,  
**but the way of the wicked will perish.**

Anthem

Blessed Is the One

Jane M. Marshall  
(1924–2019)

Blessed is the one who walks not  
in the counsel of the ungodly,  
nor stands in the way of sinners,  
nor sits in the seat of scoffers;  
but their delight is in the law of the LORD,  
and on his law they meditate day and night.  
They are like trees,  
like trees planted by streams of water.

\*Gospel Lesson | NT page 60 in pew Bibles.

Luke 6:17-26

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

The Secret to True Happiness

Response

\*Response Hymn 730

O Day of God, Draw Nigh

ST. MICHAEL

\*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

Blessed Are They

Carolyn Jennings

Blessed are they who take delight  
in the living Word of God,  
for they, like trees along a stream,  
grow strong in all they do:  
deeply rooted in the Word,  
ever nourished by the Word;  
and the fruit of a holy life is good.

The Word enlightens all who strive  
to know and do God's will:  
a lamp to guide us on our way,  
a light upon our path.  
For the law of God is good,  
and the grace of God is pure,  
and the fruit of a holy life is good.

All you hearers of the Word,  
rejoice and offer thanks  
for love so deep and broad and high,  
and praise for life so full,  
deeply rooted in the Word,  
ever nourished by the Word;  
and the fruit of a holy life is good.

—*Psalms 1:1–3; 119:105; Ephesians 3:17–21; adapt.*

\*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 Benediction

May You Abound in Hope

Anne Krentz Organ

May the God of hope fill you with joy.  
May the God of hope fill you with peace in believing.  
By the power of the Holy Spirit may you abound in hope.  
Amen.

—Romans 15:13, *adapt.*

### \*Benediction

\*Closing Hymn | See hymn on the following page.

O Grant Us, Christ, a Deep Humility

WESTWOOD NEW

## Closing Voluntary

Prelude and Fugue in C Minor, BWV 549

Johann Sebastian Bach  
(1685–1750)

# CLOSING HYMN FOR FEBRUARY 13, 2022



1 O grant us, Christ, a deep hu - mil - i - ty,  
2 O grant us, Christ, a joy - ous char - i - ty,  
3 O grant us, Christ, a pure sim - plic - i - ty,  
4 Your church, O Christ, with ho - li - ness im - bue,



so that your church a kneel - ing church may be:  
so that your church a lov - ing church may be:  
so that your church a pray - ing church may be:  
so that the church trans - fig - ure in - to you;



kneel - ing in won - der with the shep-herd band,  
lov - ing with hands that hold hands nev - er held,  
pray - ing with hands that tend and care and bless,  
that, drawn in - to your great and mys - tic throng



kneel - ing in beau - ty, oint - ment jar in hand,  
lov - ing with tears from deep com - pas - sion welled,  
pray - ing with voice a - live with thank - ful - ness,  
and fo - cused in one Bod - y and one song,



kneel - ing in dust to write for - giv - en sins,  
lov - ing with bread to break, to bless, to share,  
pray - ing with eyes that rec - og - nize the Christ,  
we see the reign of God come far and broad



kneel - ing in love to wash the feet of friends.  
lov - ing with heart of si - lent pain and prayer.  
pray - ing with heart a - brim with par - a - dise.  
and kneel be - fore the maj - es - ty of God.

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# TODAY IN WORSHIP

## Presiding Ministers

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

Carol Gregg . . . . . *Pastor, The Congregation at Duke University Chapel*

## Preacher

Cynthia Hale . . . . . *Senior Pastor, Ray of Hope Christian Church; Divinity '79*

## Lectors

Wesley Hardin . . . . . *Presbyterian Campus Ministry, Chapel Scholar, Pratt '22*

Rebecca Williamson . . . . . *Episcopal Center, Trinity '22*

## Musicians

Duke Chapel Choir . . . . . *Choir*

Zebulon Highben . . . . . *Director of Chapel Music, Duke University Chapel*

Robert Parkins . . . . . *University Organist, Duke University*

Christopher Jacobson . . . . . *Chapel Organist, Duke University Chapel*

## Head Usher

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

**Today's Guest Preacher** | Today's Clevus and L. H. Boyles guest preacher is the Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. Hale, founder and senior pastor of Ray of Hope Christian Church. A recipient of numerous honors, Dr. Hale was inducted into the African American Biographies Hall of Fame, the Martin Luther King, Jr. Board of Preachers of Morehouse College, and the Atlanta Business League Women's Hall of Fame. She is a recipient of the National Urban League's "Women of Power" award, the Preston Taylor Living Legacy Award, the Balm in Gilead Keeper of the Flame Award, and she was recognized on *Ebony Magazine's* "Power 100" list as one of the nation's most influential African American leaders. An alumna of Duke Divinity School, Dr. Hale is a contributing writer for many books and publications, including *Power in the Pulpit II: How America's Most Effective Black Preachers Prepare Their Sermons* and the preaching resource series *Feasting on the Gospels*. In January 2010, she authored her first book, *I'm a Piece of Work: Sisters Shaped by God*.

**Today's Offering** | Today's checks written to Duke University Chapel will support human service organizations in the greater Durham area. Give online at [chapel.duke.edu/offering](http://chapel.duke.edu/offering). Send checks to: Duke University Chapel, Box 90974, Durham, NC 27708-0974.

**Today's Flowers** | Today's flowers are provided by the generosity of the Nancy Hanks Fund.

**Accessibility** | Large print hymnals and worship guides are available at the visitor relations desk. Hearing assistance units are available at the A/V 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 and beyond. This morning we give thanks for the Department of Classical Studies.

**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.

**Choral Evensong Today** | Rich with music spanning from the Renaissance to the present, Choral Evensong today at 4:00 p.m. features sung prayers, psalms, and canticles. Distinct from the noisy world around us, this service offers a place for quiet contemplation.

**New Minister for Intercultural Engagement** | The Chapel welcomes the Rev. Racquel C. N. Gill as its new Minister for Intercultural Engagement, beginning March 1. In her role, Rev. Gill will offer spiritual guidance, mentorship, care, and programming to students, particularly students of color, at Duke and also deepen relationships between the Chapel and campus cultural and identity centers. Rev. Gill comes to Duke Chapel from Presbyterian College in Clinton, South Carolina, where she is the endowed Jack and Jane Presseau Associate Chaplain and also serves as a temporary member at large and pulpit supply minister for the Trinity Presbytery.

**Interfaith Series on Deep Roots of Spiritual Practices** | The next talk in our series “Spiritual Practices: Return to the Roots” will be by Chaplain Priya Amaresh with Hindu Life at Duke this Thursday, February 17, from 12:30–1:30 p.m. in the Chaplin Family Study Room in the Brodhead Center. She will discuss “Yoga and Hinduism.” Preregistration is encouraged. See a list of presenters, dates, and topics at [chapel.duke.edu/roots](http://chapel.duke.edu/roots).

**Chapel Organist Recital** | Chapel Organist Christopher Jacobson, FRCO, will present his recital this year on Sunday, February 20, at 5:00 p.m. Performing on the Aeolian organ, Jacobson will explore the theme of “Time,” and how we as humanity perceive and experience it. Jean-Baptiste Robin’s “The Hands of Time,” written for the 2018 National Convention of the American Guild of Organists, and Camille Saint-Saëns’s famous “Maestoso” from Symphony No. 3 will be featured alongside music of Bach, Vierne, and Bolcom. Admission is free.

**February Lasagnas** | Volunteers are needed to provide dinner for hungry neighbors by bringing two party-sized cooked lasagnas (such as Stouffer’s) to Urban Ministries, 410 Liberty Street, Durham on Wednesday, February 23, at 5:00 p.m. A volunteer will meet you in the parking lot to take the lasagnas into the kitchen. At this point, volunteers will not be asked to stay to prepare and serve the meal. For more information, please contact [congregation@duke.edu](mailto:congregation@duke.edu).

**Visual Art Exhibition Explores ‘Complicated Truths’ of Life** | An interactive visual art exhibition at the Chapel invites viewers to consider complicated truths in life for which there are no easy solutions. Presented by the Chapel and the Everything Happens Project, *Reliquary of Complicated Truths* by multidisciplinary artist Lanecia Rouse Tinsley is an installation created from discarded wood, paper, and other material that invites viewers to place within the cracks of the work their response to the prompt “In my life, there is no cure for....” The commissioned exhibition takes its inspiration from the book by Duke Divinity School Professor Kate Bowler, *No Cure for Being Human (And Other Truths I Need to Hear)*. Tinsley and Professor Bowler will hold a public conversation about themes in the exhibition on Thursday, February 24, from 5:30–6:45 p.m. in Duke Chapel. Learn more at [chapel.duke.edu/reliquary](http://chapel.duke.edu/reliquary).

**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 on Sunday, February 27, 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 year, the Chapel will observe Ash Wednesday, March 2, 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.

**Back Pew Challenge** | The Mission and Outreach Committee of the Congregation challenges worshipers to create a “Welcome Home Box” for neighbors returning to the community from prison. The Religious Coalition for a Nonviolent Durham provides a “Welcome Home Box” for 15–20 people each month, along with support and counseling. Each box contains basic toiletries, shelf stable food, and a gift card. For detailed instructions, please contact [congregation@duke.edu](mailto:congregation@duke.edu).

**Dean Powery Contributes Essay on the Political Nature of Preaching** | Chapel Dean Luke A. Powery is a contributor to the new book *Shouting Above the Noisy Crowd: Biblical Wisdom and the Urgency of Preaching*, a collection of essays from leaders in the field of homiletics offering wisdom on the art of preaching. In his chapter on “Is Preaching Political?”, Dean Powery explains how preaching is inescapably political because of its theological foundation.

**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 has 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](mailto:bruce.puckett@duke.edu).

**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](mailto: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.

**New Member Class:** For those considering membership in the Congregation in Westbrook 0014 and by Zoom.

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

**Adult Forum:** On February 20, the Rev. Bruce Puckett, assistant dean of Duke Chapel, will lead the forum in Westbrook 0012 and by Zoom.

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



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