



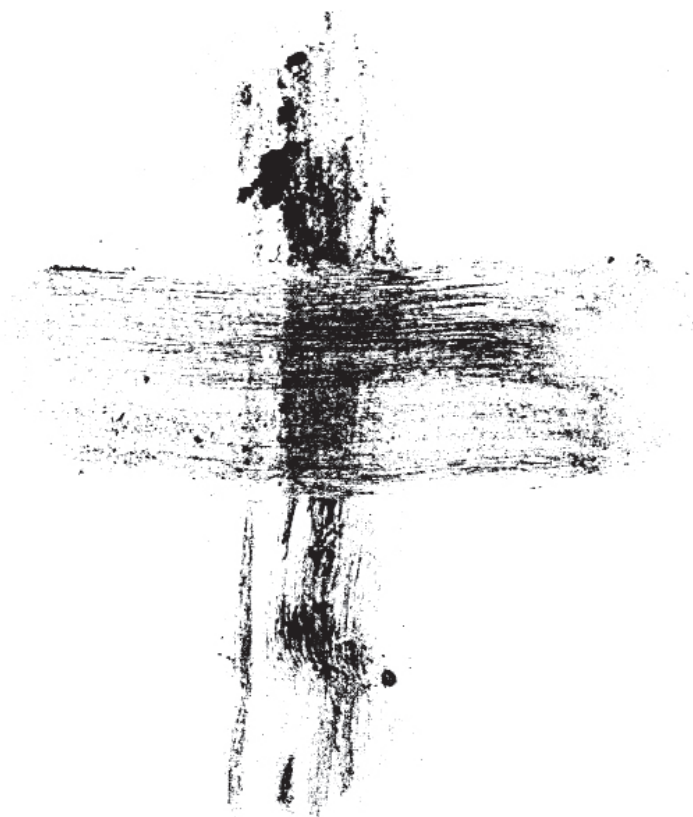
Duke UNIVERSITY CHAPEL

BRIDGING FAITH & LEARNING

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Ash Wednesday

Wednesday, February 14, 2018, 5:15 p.m.



Today marks the beginning of the season of Lent. Ash Wednesday occurs forty days before Easter, not including six Sundays (which are considered feast days), and recalls Jesus' forty days in the wilderness, itself mirroring the Israelites' forty years in the desert. In our Scripture readings, David mourns the destructive effects of his adultery, and cries out to God for forgiveness and restoration. Jesus teaches how we are to avoid hypocrisy when we give, pray, and fast, so that we might store up treasure in heaven, not affirmation on earth, "for where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

Gathering

Opening Voluntary

Greetings and Announcements

*Processional Hymn 269

Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

LAND OF REST

Proclamation

Prayer for Illumination | In unison:

Holy God, our lives are laid open before you: as we hear your word today, rescue our hearts from the darkness of sin and through the death of your Son lead us to new life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Old Testament Lesson | OT pages 492-3 in the pew Bibles

Psalm 51

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

Miserere mei, Deus

Gregorio Allegri
(1582–1652)

Miserere mei, Deus: secundum magnam misericordiam tuam.

Have mercy upon me, O God, after thy great goodness:

Et secundum multitudinem miserationum tuarum: dele iniquitatem meam.

according to the multitude of thy mercies do away with mine offenses.

Amplius lava me ab iniquitate mea: et a peccato meo munda me.

Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness: and cleanse me from my sin.

Quoniam iniquitatem meam ego cognosco: et peccatum meum contra me est semper.

For I acknowledge my faults: and my sin is ever before me.

Tibi soli peccavi et malum coram te feci: ut iustificeris in sermonibus tuis et vincas cum iudicaris.

Against thee only have I sinned, and done this evil in thy sight: that thou mightest be justified in thy saying, and clear when thou art judge.

Ecce enim in iniquitatibus conceptus sum: et in peccatis concepit me mater mea.

Behold, I was shapen in wickedness: and in sin hath my mother conceived me.

Ecce enim veritatem dilexisti: incerta et occulta sapientiae tuae manifestasti mihi.

* All who are able may stand

But lo, thou requirest truth in the inward parts: and shall make me to understand wisdom secretly.

Asperges me byssopo et mundabor: lavabis me et super nivem dealbabor.

Thou shalt purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Auditui meo dabis gaudium et laetitiam: et exultabunt ossa humiliata.

Thou shalt make me hear of joy and gladness: that the bones which thou hast broken may rejoice.

Averte faciem tuam a peccatis meis: et omnes iniquitates meas dele.

Turn thy face from my sins: and put out all my misdeeds.

Cor mundum crea in me Deus: et spiritum rectum innova in visceribus meis.

Make me a clean heart, O God: and renew a right spirit within me.

Ne projicias me a facie tua: et spiritum sanctum tuum ne auferas a me.

Cast me not away from thy presence: and take not thy holy Spirit from me.

Redde mihi laetitiam salutaris tui: et spiritu principali confirma me.

O give me the comfort of thy help again: and stablish me with thy free Spirit.

Docebo iniquos vias tuas: et impii ad te convertentur.

Then shall I teach thy ways unto the wicked: and sinners shall be converted unto thee.

Libera me de sanguinibus Deus salutis meae: et exultabit lingua mea iustitiam tuam.

Deliver me from blood-guiltiness, O God, thou that art the God of my health: and my tongue shall sing of thy righteousness.

Domine labia mea aperies: et os meum annuntiabit laudem tuam.

Thou shalt open my lips, O Lord: and my mouth shall shew thy praise.

Quoniam si voluisses sacrificium dedissem utique: holocaustis non delectaberis.

For thou desirest no sacrifice, else would I give it thee: but thou delightest not in burnt offerings.

Sacrificium Deo spiritus contribulatus: cor contritum et humiliatum Deus non despiciens.

The sacrifice of God is a troubled spirit: a broken and contrite heart, O God, shalt thou not despise.

Benigne fac Domine in bona voluntate tua Sion: ut aedificentur muri Jerusalem.

O be favourable and gracious unto Sion: build thou the walls of Jerusalem.

Tunc acceptabis sacrificium justitiae oblationes et holocausta: tunc imponent super altare tuum vitulos.

Then shalt thou be pleased with the sacrifice of righteousness, with the burnt offerings and oblations: then shall they offer young bullocks upon thine altar.

—*Psalm 51*

*Gospel Lesson | NT pages 5-6 in the pew Bibles

Matthew 6:1–6, 16–21

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Homily

The Gift of Repentance

Invitation to the Observance of a Holy Lent

Prayer Over the Ashes

Imposition of Ashes |

Those wishing to receive ashes will come forward to the stations. When all who desire have received the ashes, the service will continue with the Litany of Penitence.

Litany of Penitence | The congregation responds with the text in bold:

God the Father,
Have mercy on us.

God the Son,
Have mercy on us.

God the Holy Spirit,
Have mercy on us.

Holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity,
Have mercy on us.

From our pride, vanity, and hypocrisy,
and from all our evil plans,
Deliver us.

From our envy and malice,
and from our hardness of heart,
Deliver us.

From our sloth and worldliness,
and our lack of compassion,
Deliver us.

From our love of money, our hoarding of possessions,
and our relentless desire to accumulate more,
Deliver us.

From the lust for sexual pleasure
that obscures the true gift of love in us and in others,
Deliver us.

From the gorging of food, the indulging of our appetites,
and our neglect of the hungry,
Deliver us.

From our hatred, anger, and quick temper,
and from our reluctance to be reconciled with those we have hurt,
Deliver us.

Give us true repentance;
forgive us our sins of negligence and ignorance
and our deliberate sins;
and grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit
to amend our lives according to your holy word.

**Holy God,
holy and strong,
holy and immortal,
have mercy upon us.**

Assurance of Pardon

*Peace | All exchange signs and words of God's peace.

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.**

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.

Sending Forth

*Benediction

*Closing Processional Hymn 417

O For a Heart to Praise My God

RICHMOND

Closing Voluntary

TODAY IN WORSHIP

PRESIDING MINISTER

The Rev. Dr. Luke A. Powery*Dean of Duke Chapel*

PREACHER

The Rev. Crawford Stevener*Duke RUF Campus Minister*

LECTOR

Ms. Juliana Hoover*Duke Chapel Scholar, Trinity '19*

MUSICIANS

Duke Vespers Ensemble *Choir*

Dr. Philip Cave *Associate Conductor of Chapel Music*

Mr. Christopher Jacobson *Chapel Organist*

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Ms. Libby Boehne*Duke Presbyterian Campus Minister*

The Rev. Dr. Carol Gregg *Pastor to the Congregation at Duke Chapel*

Dr. Adam Hollowell *Director of Student Ministry*

The Rev. Joshua Lazard *C. Eric Lincoln Minister for Student Engagement*

GUEST PREACHER | The Rev. Crawford Stevener is a native Texan who went to Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tennessee, where he met his wonderful wife Rachel. Upon graduation, they were married and moved to Dallas, where Crawford worked as an analyst for a consulting firm in the banking industry. In 2010, Crawford and Rachel moved to Charlotte, North Carolina, where they attended Reformed Theological Seminary. Crawford received his Masters of Divinity and Rachel her Masters of Arts in Theological Studies. In 2013, Crawford became the RUF Campus Minister at Duke University and the family re-located to Durham, North Carolina.

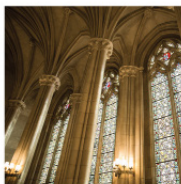
ACCESSIBILITY | Large print hymnals and bulletins are available at the front desk. Hearing assistance units are available at the back left sound desk.

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



CHORAL EVENSONG

4:00 p.m.
Sundays



MIDWEEK PRAYER

11:30 a.m.
Wednesdays



CHORAL VESPERS

6:00 p.m.
Thursdays

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Attend an additional
worship service as part
of your Lenten discipline.

**On Ash Wednesday:
An Examination of Conscience through the Ten Commandments**

Having no other gods	<i>Do I love God with all my heart, mind, soul, and strength?</i>
Making no idols	<i>Do I put possessions, career, family, reputation, or health ahead of God? Do I treat money, sex, and power as gifts or gods?</i>
Revering God's name	<i>Do all my words and actions glorify God?</i>
Keeping the Sabbath	<i>Do I let work take over my life? Do I find my identity in work or in being God's child? Do I set aside a full day each week to rest?</i>
Honoring parents	<i>Do my parents know I value and respect them? Do my children?</i>
Respecting life	<i>How do I respond when I am humiliated, insulted, or treated unfairly? Am I quick to forgive, or do I hold grudges and seek revenge? Do I let my anger get the better of me?</i>
Respecting marriage	<i>Am I chaste? Do I flirt? Do I treat friends or strangers as objects of my lust? Do I treat sex as a precious and holy gift? Do I support and pray for those who are married?</i>
Respecting property	<i>Am I greedy? Do I have things that rightly belong to others? Am I honest with regard to tax, expenses, loans, and debts? Am I a generous giver?</i>
Respecting truth	<i>Do I exaggerate to impress? Do I gossip? Do I keep my promises? Do I face the truth about myself? Do I share my true self with others?</i>
Governing desires	<i>Am I jealous? Am I thankful? Am I content with what God has given me? Is the grass always greener on the other side? Do I curse the fact that life always seems easier for others?</i>

A Lenten Prayer—For Personal Lenten Discipline

Lord Jesus, you fasted and prayed in the wilderness for forty days. Help me to fast and pray during this time of Lent. Free my mind from distraction and protect me from the snares of the devil, that I may learn to love you and my neighbors more. Give me a spirit of generosity, so that I might share my gifts more freely with those who have less. Teach me to pray, that I might offer you praise and thanksgiving. Help me make time to reflect on your Word; may it challenge, console, and purify me. Be with me in times of hurt, doubt, and confusion; unite my sufferings to yours and let them be redemptive. Fill me with your Holy Spirit, free me from sin, let me rise with you this Easter. I ask this in the name of Jesus, who died that I might be forgiven and have life to the full. Amen.

ENGAGE

CHORAL VESPERS | As daylight fades, Choral Vespers invites students and community members into the darkened Chapel to experience sacred music, scripture readings, and prayer. The Duke Vespers Ensemble leads the choral portion of the service. All are welcome! Please note that services occur only during the academic semester. This year, services will take place every Thursday from January 11–April 19, excluding March 15 (Spring Break) and March 29 (Maundy Thursday).

ART RECEPTION | The Chapel is hosting a community reception Thursday, February 15, for the art currently on display in the nave. The reception begins at 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel's narthex and will feature a talk entitled "Watanabe and the Japanese Folk Art Movement" by Lisa Beyeler, a Duke Divinity student and scholar with Duke Initiatives in Theology and the Arts. Light refreshments will be served. All attending the reception are invited to come early for the Chapel's weekly Choral Vespers worship service at 6:00 p.m.

EVENSONG CONCERT | The Chapel's Evensong Singers present a concert Sunday, February 18, at 4:00 p.m. titled *Lighten Our Darkness: Poetry in Music*. This concert traces poetry about light shining into darkness set to elegant music. In addition to William Byrd's "Ave verum corpus" and J. S. Bach's Cantata 22, composer Benjamin Britten illuminates words by Christopher Smart in his cantata *Rejoice in the Lamb*. The performance is free and open to the public.

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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The Congregation is the interdenominational church home for university students and community members who consider the Chapel to be their primary place of worship. Through ministries of mission, education, and fellowship, members of the Congregation strive to deepen connections with God and neighbor.

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