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Transfiguration Sunday

Sunday, February 14, 2021, 11:00 a.m.



Transfiguration
JESUS MAFA, 1973

Today we celebrate the Transfiguration of Our Lord. The placement of this feast day on the last Sunday after the Epiphany highlights its connection to the festivals that precede it: Christmas, Epiphany, the Baptism of Our Lord, and Candlemas. Yet this timing also foreshadows the coming days of Lent, when Jesus comes down from the mountain, sets aside his glory, and journeys to Jerusalem and the cross. The gospel lesson provides a vivid description of a mountaintop transformation where Jesus's face and garments become dazzling white in the presence of disciples Peter, James, and John. The Transfiguration also recalls Moses's encounter with God on Mt. Sinai. The appearance of both Moses and Elijah at the Transfiguration symbolizes Jesus's fulfillment of the Law and the Prophets through his life, death, and resurrection.

Gathering

Opening Voluntary

Andante Sostenuto, from Symphonie Gothique, Op. 70

Charles Marie Widor
(1844–1937)

Greeting and Call to Worship

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

Jesus, on the Mountain Peak

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*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

Holy God, your truth shines from the mountaintop into our hearts. Transform us into the likeness of your Son, who renewed our humanity that we may share in his divinity, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God forever. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson

2 Kings 2:1–14

*All rise as able

Psalmsody | The refrain is introduced by the cantor, then sung by all.

Psalm 50:1–6

setting by Peter Hallock



Out of Zi-on, — per-fect in its beau-ty, God is re-vealed in all glo-ry.

The Lord, the God of gods, has spoken;
the one who has called the earth
from the rising of the sun to its setting.
Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty,
God is revealed in all glory. *Refrain*

Our God will come and will not keep silence;
before the Lord there is a consuming flame,
and round about the Lord a raging storm.
God calls the heavens and the earth from above
to witness the judgment of the people. *Refrain*

“Gather before me my loyal followers,
those who have made a covenant with me and sealed it with sacrifice.”
Let the heavens declare the rightness of God’s cause;
for God alone is judge. *Refrain*

New Testament Lesson

2 Corinthians 4:3–6

*Gospel Lesson

Mark 9:2–9

Sermon

When We Forget

Response

Solo

My Soul’s Been Anchored in the Lord

spiritual, arr. Florence B. Price
(1887–1953)

In the Lord, in the Lord,
my soul’s been anchored in the Lord.

Before I’d stay in hell one day,
my soul’s been anchored in the Lord.
I’d sing and pray myself away.
My soul’s been anchored in the Lord.

I'm goin' to pray and never stop,
my soul's been anchored in the Lord.
Until I've reached the mountaintop.
my soul's been anchored in the Lord.

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.

Offering

*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.

Alleluia, Song of Gladness

PRAISE, MY SOUL

Closing Voluntary

Prelude and Fugue in A Minor

Johannes Brahms
(1833–1897)

TODAY IN WORSHIP

PRESIDING MINISTERS

The Rev. Bruce Puckett.....*Assistant Dean, Duke University Chapel*

The Rev. Kathryn Lester-Bacon.....*Director of Religious Life, Duke University Chapel*

PREACHER

The Rev. Dr. Jerusha Neal.....*Assistant Professor, Duke Divinity School*

LECTOR

Ms. Lily Koning.....*Trinity '20*

MUSICIANS

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

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

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

Mr. Tom Gurin.....*Chapel Carillonneur, Duke University Chapel*

ONLINE MINISTER

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

TODAY'S FLOWERS | Today's flowers are made possible by the generosity of the Elizabeth Lucina Gotham Memorial Chapel Endowment.

TODAY'S OFFERING | All of today's online giving and checks written to Duke University Chapel will be given to the Chapel's Development Fund for Mission and Ministry. You are invited to give online at gifts.duke.edu/chapel. Please send checks to: Duke University Chapel, Box 90974, Durham, NC 27708-0974.

TODAY'S GUEST PREACHER | Today's Boyles guest preacher is the Rev. Dr. Jerusha Matsen Neal. Rev. Dr. Neal is an assistant professor of homiletics at Duke Divinity School whose scholarly work examines the action of the Spirit on the performative borders of body and culture. Her research interests focus on postcolonial preaching, preaching and gender, and the implications of Mariology for a Spirit-dependent homiletic. Neal is an ordained American Baptist minister with broad ecumenical experience, most recently serving as a Global Ministries missionary to the Fiji Islands through the United Methodist Church. During her years in Fiji, she served as dean of studies at Davuilevu Theological College, the oldest theological seminary in that nation.

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DEAN POWERY RECUPERATING | Chapel Dean Luke Powery recently slipped on some ice and broke his leg. He has since had surgery on his leg and is recuperating at home. He is grateful for the many gestures of support he has received. He has resumed some of his work responsibilities from home but since he needs to rest his leg, for now he won't be coming into the Chapel for services.

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ASH WEDNESDAY ONLINE SERVICE FEB. 17 | Join us online for a worship service for Ash Wednesday on February 17 at 8:00 a.m. The preacher will be Dr. Sam Laurent, campus minister and young adult missionary for The Episcopal Center at Duke. During this service, individuals typically receive the marking of ashes in the shape of a cross on their foreheads as a reminder of their mortality and repentance of their sins—ashes to ashes. Because we are not able to meet in person this year, we are inviting worshippers to observe this practice in another way. For this year's service, we encourage you to have ashes, dirt, or oil available for use during the service. For any who desire to make their own ashes, we encourage you to burn palms you have saved from last year. If you no longer have a palm branch to burn, write a particular sin or way you've fallen short of God's best ways for us on a small piece of paper to burn to create the ash. **Do not mix ashes with water as they will create a caustic form of lye.** If you prefer not to use ashes, we invite you to use dirt, which also serves as a sign of our mortality—dust to dust. At the least, have olive oil to use to make a sign of the cross on your forehead when the time comes in the service. We look forward to worshipping with you online on Ash Wednesday and to journeying through Lent together, as we walk with Jesus to the cross and await the glory of the resurrection.

FELLOWSHIP THIS AFTERNOON | Join the Fellowship Committee on Sunday, February 14, at 1:00 p.m. for "The Virtual not so Newlywed Game." Watch Assistant Dean Bruce Puckett and Rev. Kathryn Lester-Bacon, along with their spouses and four other couples, answer light-hearted questions. Also during this fellowship event, a video of children showing their love-themed artwork will be debuted. This will be a time of online fellowship and fun. Please contact congregation@duke.edu for detailed information.

DEAN POWERY ON FAITH AND SUFFERING | Chapel Dean Luke Powery is participating in an online event about "A faith-filled response to this season of suffering," hosted by the Duke Alumni Association, on Thursday, February 18, at 1:00 p.m. Eastern Time. He will be in conversation with Duke Divinity School Dean Gregory Jones. In responding to the challenges of 2020 and beyond in America, Dean Powery suggests it is not enough to be against injustice and suffering, we must be for the all-inclusive love of God and the potentiality of a diverse and beloved community. [Learn more and register.](#)

DEAN POWERY ON LANGUAGE IN PREACHING AND WORSHIP | Dean Powery will also be in conversation about "Holy God, Wholly Human: Language in Preaching and Worship" this Thursday, February 18, at 8:00 p.m. The online discussion is part of Valparaiso University's 2021 Institute of Liturgical Studies Virtual Seminar Series. The conversation will consider liturgical and homiletical language for God and humanity, including issues surrounding gender, race, suffering, hope, death, and resurrection. During the conversation, participants will be able to submit questions to Dean Powery via a moderator. Registration is required with a fee of \$25. [Learn more and register.](#)

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DUKE STUDENTS, FACULTY, STAFF INVITED TO SIGN UP FOR TIME IN THE CHAPEL | By reservation only, beginning February 16, the Chapel is open to students and to employees who are working on campus to #FindSanctuary. Duke students, faculty, and staff with and without a faith affiliation are welcome to sign up for a time to meditate, reflect, pray, contemplate, or just be in the Chapel. Ticketed timeslots for students and employees are available during these hours: Tuesdays, 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.; Wednesdays, 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.; and Thursdays, 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Learn more and sign up at chapel.duke.edu/findsanctuary.

ORGAN RECITAL LIVESTREAM FEB. 21 | Duke Chapel Organist Christopher Jacobson, FRCO, will present a recital on the Chapel's Aeolian organ via livestream on Sunday, February 21, at 4:00 p.m. The program will feature music by French composer Marcel Dupré and his contemporaries, commemorating the fiftieth anniversary of Dupré's death. The online concert, free and open to the public, will be presented on the Chapel's website and YouTube channel. [Watch it here](#).

CHAPEL SCHOLARS APPLICATIONS | 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 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 March 1 at chapel.duke.edu/pathways.

SACRED ON SATURDAY ONLINE PRESENTATIONS | Dr. Philip Cave, associate conductor for Chapel Music, will explore notable pieces of sacred music in a pair of "Sacred on Saturday" online presentations this semester. The first one on "Music for Lent" will be Saturday, February 27, at 10:00 a.m. A link to participate will be posted on the Chapel website.

DUKE CHAPEL READS BOOK IS 'JESUS AND THE DISINHERITED' | As part of its Duke Chapel Reads series, the Chapel will host online conversations about the book *Jesus and the Disinherited* by the theologian and minister Howard Thurman as a way to address contemporary issues of faith, race, justice, and love. Through Duke Chapel Reads, the Chapel aims to curate spaces for reflection and conversation based on a common book reading each semester. Chapel Dean Luke A. Powery will host a concluding online discussion of the book with Dr. Walter Fluker, a scholar of Thurman's work, on Tuesday, April 6, at 7:00 p.m. Members of the Duke community and others who are interested in participating in an online reading group about the book are invited to contact the Rev. Bruce Puckett, assistant dean of the Chapel, at bruce.puckett@duke.edu.

NEW ONLINE ISSUE OF CHAPEL VIEW MAGAZINE | The latest issue of *Chapel View* magazine is now available online. In this issue, read how the Chapel is offering hope through student engagement, Christian worship, sacred music and the arts, and community engagement. [Click here to read it](#).

IS THE WELL DRY? | Are you feeling spent? The Congregation at Duke Chapel is sponsoring several book groups to discuss *When the Well Runs Dry: Prayer Beyond the Beginnings* by Thomas Green. Green, a Jesuit spiritual director and author, helps readers navigate the seasons of spiritual

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dryness. Book groups will meet for six weeks as follows: Tuesdays at 3:30 p.m. starting February 23; Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. starting February 24; Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. starting February 24; and Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. starting February 25. [Please sign up for Lenten Book Groups here.](#)

RETREAT ON CONFRONTING RACISM | How do we awaken to the urgency of dismantling racism? What steps can we take to repair the harm of racism? Join a retreat on “Awakening to the Call: Bold Action to End Racism” to explore connections to racism and consider local strategies that move toward ending racial oppression. The virtual retreat, held on Saturday, February 27, from 9:00 a.m. to 12-noon, will be led by the [Rev. Mel Williams](#). Rev. Williams has been a longtime advocate of social justice in Durham. He is founder of End Poverty Durham, co-founder of Religious Coalition of a Nonviolent Durham, co-founder of Peace Hill, a solidarity-contemplative community, and has served as pastor of Watts Street Baptist Church in Durham for twenty-four years. The half-day retreat will be held by Zoom. [Please register here to attend.](#)

BACK PEW COLLECTION | The virtual Back Pew Collection for February is Meals on Wheels of Durham. This organization provides food for seniors and disabled citizens in Durham County. There are two wish lists for donations through Amazon, which will be sent directly to the agency:

Items for clients: [Every Day Nutrition for our Seniors](#)

Items to keep the program running: [Items for our program](#)

Meals on Wheels also appreciates donations of pet food as many of their clients have a dog or cat living with them. If you would like to donate pet food, please contact congregation@duke.edu for instructions.

MIDWEEK PRAYER | Please join us for a brief service of prayer on Wednesdays at 12-noon through May 12. To participate in this prayer time, please [register for the Zoom call here.](#)

PRAYERS FOR RACIAL JUSTICE | A brief online prayer service focused specially on racial justice and reconciliation is being offered on Monday evenings at 8:00 p.m. This service is led by Nathaniel Metz, the Congregation’s Duke Divinity School intern and is approximately 20 minutes. Please contact congregation@duke.edu for detailed information.

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 Sunday morning from 9:45 a.m.–10:45 a.m. starting on March 7. For more information, please contact carol.gregg@duke.edu.

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 Bible Study: A study of the Book of Colossians

Adult Forum: On February 21, Sarah Jean Barton, Assistant Professor of Occupational Therapy and Theological Ethics, Duke Divinity School will discuss “Access, Identity, and Disability: A Lenten Reflection.”

HYMNS FOR FEBRUARY 14, 2021

Opening Hymn

Jesus, on the Mountain Peak

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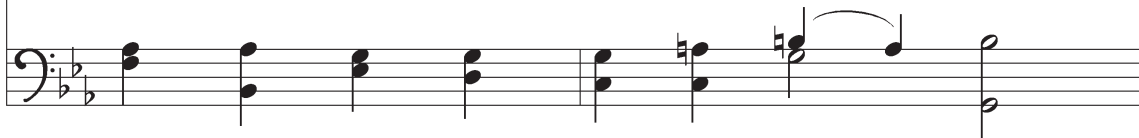
1 Je - sus on the moun - tain peak stands a - lone in
2 Trem - bling at his feet we saw Mo - ses and E -
3 Swift the cloud of glo - ry came, God pro - claim - ing
4 This is God's be - lov - ed Son! Law and proph - ets



glo - ry blaz - ing; let us, if we dare to speak,
li - jah speak - ing. All the proph - ets and the law
in its thun - der Je - sus as the Son by name!
sing be - fore him, first and last and on - ly One.



join the saints and an - gels prais - ing.
shout through them their joy - ful greet - ing:
Na - tions, cry a - loud in won - der:
All cre - a - tion shall a - dore him!



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



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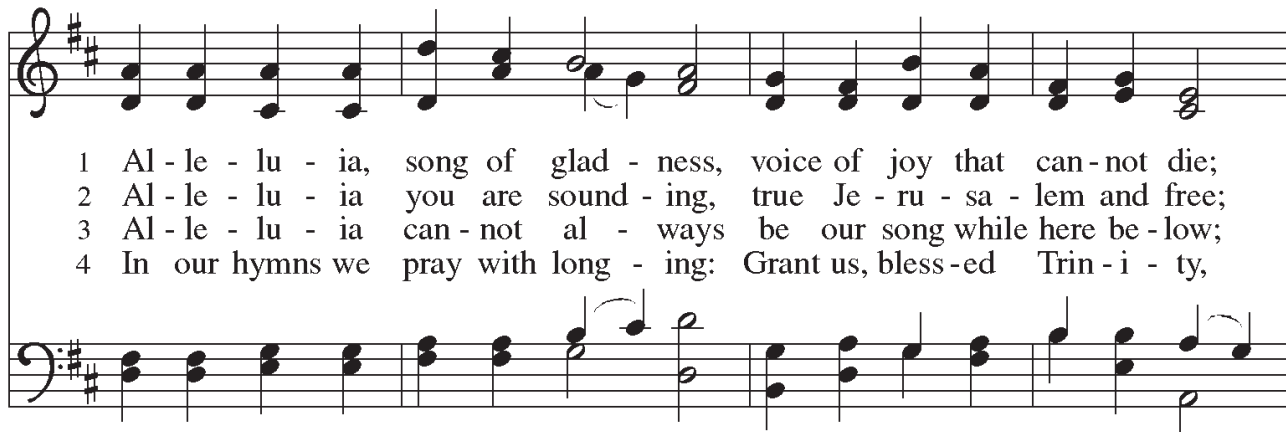
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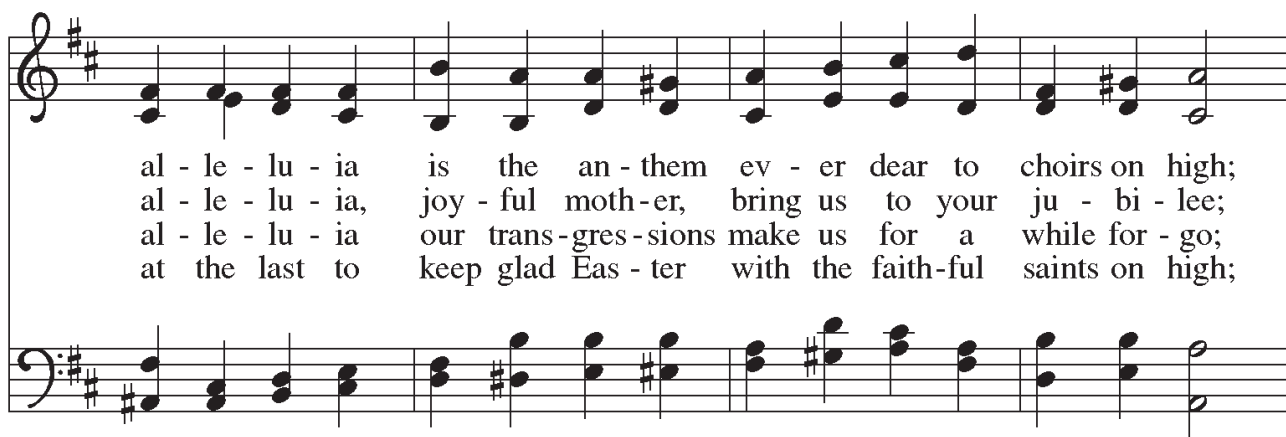
Closing Hymn

Alleluia, Song of Gladness

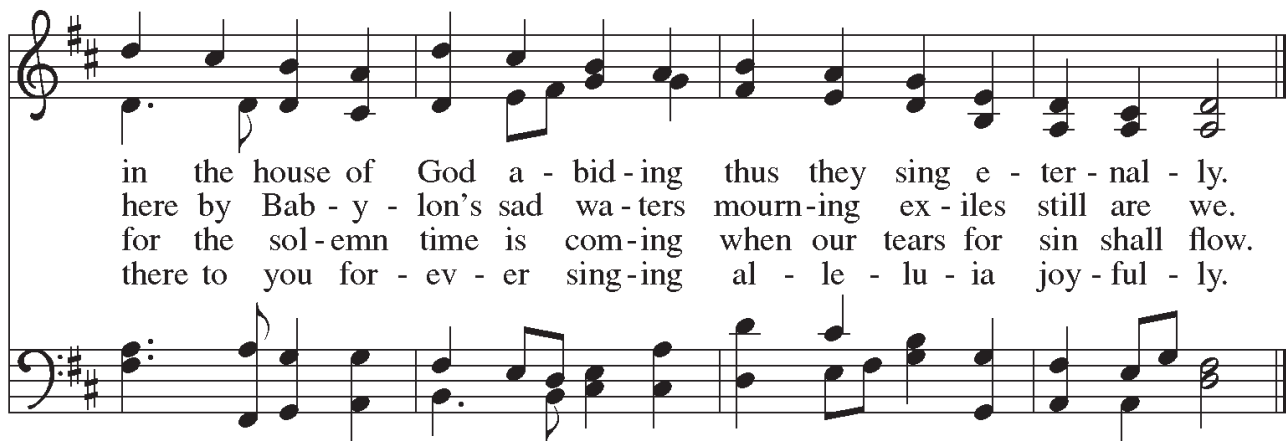
PRAISE, MY SOUL



1 Al - le - lu - ia, song of glad - ness, voice of joy that can - not die;
2 Al - le - lu - ia you are sound - ing, true Je - ru - sa - lem and free;
3 Al - le - lu - ia can - not al - ways be our song while here be - low;
4 In our hymns we pray with long - ing: Grant us, bless - ed Trin - i - ty,



al - le - lu - ia is the an - them ev - er dear to choirs on high;
al - le - lu - ia, joy - ful moth - er, bring us to your ju - bi - lee;
al - le - lu - ia our trans - gres - sions make us for a while for - go;
at the last to keep glad Eas - ter with the faith - ful saints on high;



in the house of God a - bid - ing thus they sing e - ter - nal - ly.
here by Bab - y - lon's sad wa - ters mourn - ing ex - iles still are we.
for the sol - emn time is com - ing when our tears for sin shall flow.
there to you for - ev - er sing - ing al - le - lu - ia joy - ful - ly.

Text: Latin hymn, 11th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt.
Music: PRAISE, MY SOUL, John Goss, 1800–1880