Jesus continues teaching from the plain in today’s Gospel lesson. He challenges his disciples to live a costly love that extends beyond neighbor and friend to one’s enemies. This love is rooted in the love that God has shown even to the wicked. Jesus commands those who follow him to love, do good, and be merciful, for their reward will be great as children of the Most High. The lesson from Genesis tells the story of Joseph revealing himself to his brothers after they sold him into slavery years before. Though the brothers were distressed by this revelation and feared retaliation, Joseph showed them mercy, choosing to see how God had worked for good, in spite of their bad intentions.
Gathering
Opening Voluntary

Concerto in F, Op. 4, No. 5  George Frideric Handel (1685–1759)
Larghetto
Allegro
Alla Siciliana
Presto

Introit

Nada te turbe  Jacques Berthier (1923–1994)

Nada te turbe, nada te espante.
Quien a Dios tiene nada la falta.
Nada te turbe, nada te espante.
Solo Dios basta.

Nothing can trouble, nothing can frighten.
Those who seek God shall never go wanting.
Nothing can trouble, nothing can frighten.
God alone fills us.

~Teresa of Avila (1515–1582)

Greeting and Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn | See hymn on page 6 of worship guide.

All My Hope on God Is Founded  MICHAEL

*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.

*All rise as able

- Choral Vespers with William Byrd’s Great Service—Thursday, March 17,
at 7:00 p.m. in Duke Chapel
- Bach Motets Concert—Friday, March 18, at 8:00 p.m. in Baldwin
Auditorium

Learn more and sign up for tickets: https://chapel.duke.edu/magnificat.

Hiring Students | The Congregation at Duke Chapel hires several students
each year in part-time positions to assist in its ministries. A current need is in the
area of communications. Future needs will be in ministry to youth and adults.
Please contact carol.gregg@duke.edu if you would like to explore the possibility of
working with the congregation.

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.

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 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 27, Dr. Callid Keefe-Perry, Assistant Professor
of Contextual Education and Public Theology, Boston College School
of Theology and Ministry, will lead the forum in Westbrook 0012 and by
Zoom.
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.

Lenten Book Groups | Starting on Wednesday, March 2, two book groups will discuss Be the Bridge: Pursuing God’s Heart for Racial Reconciliation by Latasha Morrison. With prayers, discussion questions, and other resources, this book presents a compelling vision of what it means for every follower of Jesus to become a bridge builder. Book groups will meet by Zoom at 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. for the five Wednesdays in March. Please contact congregation@duke.edu for the Zoom links.

Graduate Student Interfaith Day Retreat | Join with other graduate students to explore the interreligious work of deeper engagement with the earth. The one-day retreat “Sacred Earth: Land as Spiritual Practice” will be held at Respite in the Round, a local farm and retreat center, on March 5, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The group will spend the day walking the land, hearing stories, eating good food, resting, and reflecting on the intertwining work of land stewardship and spiritual reflection. The retreat will build on conversations started during the February Spiritual Practices series, although attendance at this series is not required. Breakfast and lunch are provided. Register by February 26. To learn more and register, contact the Rev. Kathryn Lester-Bacon, the Chapel’s director of Religious Life, at kathryn.lester.bacon@duke.edu.

Volunteer With Habitat | Volunteers are needed on Saturday, March 5 to work on landscaping at a new Habitat home. Shifts are 8:30–11:30 a.m. and 12:30–3:30 p.m. For detailed information, please contact congregation@duke.edu.

Acclaimed British Vocal Ensemble to Perform Timeless Sacred Music | The British vocal ensemble Magnificat will give two concerts at Duke University, March 16 and 18, featuring early music composers whose work continues to resonate and inspire. In addition to the concerts, the ensemble will sing in Duke Chapel worship services and offer workshops as an ensemble-in-residence March 13–20. There is no cost to attend the two concerts, but free tickets from the Duke Box Office are required for admittance. Face masks are required to be worn at all of the group’s concerts and other events.

- Music of Protest and Rebellion Concert—Wednesday, March 16, at 7:30 p.m. in Duke Chapel

*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:

Almighty God, who created all things, teach us to discern your hand in all your works and shine your light on your holy word, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson | OT pages 40–41 in pew Bibles.

Genesis 45:3–11, 15

Lector:  This is the word of the Lord.
People:  Thanks be to God.

Anthem

Lord, for Thy Tender Mercy’s Sake

Richard Farrant (c. 1530–1580)

Lord, for thy tender mercy’s sake
lay not our sins to our charge,
but forgive that is past,
and give us grace to amend our sinful lives:
To decline from sin and incline to virtue,
that we may walk in a perfect heart
before thee, now and evermore.
Amen.

–Lidley’s Prayers, 1566

*Gospel Lesson | NT page 60 in pew Bibles.


Lector:  This is the word of the Lord.
People:  Thanks be to God.
Sermon

The High Life

Response

*Response Hymn 390

Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive

Student Testimony

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.

Mission of the Month

Offertory Anthem

Wana Baraka

Kenyan folk hymn

arr. Shawn Kirchner

Wana baraka wale waombao;
Yese mwen yewe alisema. Alleluya!

Wana amani...
Wana furaha...
Wana uzima...

They have blessings, those who pray;
Jesus himself said so. Alleluia!

They have peace...
They have joy...
They have well-being...

ENGAGE

The Value of Home: Stewardship for Affordable Housing | Please join a seminar on “The Value of Home: Stewardship for Affordable Housing” on Saturday, February 26, from 10:00 a.m. to 12-noon by Zoom. The seminar will explore the challenges and opportunities facing civic and faith communities as they seek to respond to the intersectional crisis of health, housing, and equity. The leader of the seminar will be Terry Allebaugh, who has over thirty years of experience as a local, state, and national leader on policy and practice around ending homelessness. For additional information, please contact congregation@duke.edu.

SBSB and UP Concert | Join Duke undergraduate groups Something Borrowed Something Blue (SBSB) and United in Praise (UP) for an afternoon of free music and worship on Saturday, February 26, at 3:00 pm in Nelson Music Room. Christian a cappella group SBSB and gospel choir UP will perform music from their repertoire, including two joint songs, as well as offering Christian testimonies, in a concert open to Duke students and community members. The Nelson Music Room is located in the East Duke Building on East Campus.

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 next 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.

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.
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 those who make up the staff of Religious Life at Duke.

Restrooms in Divinity School | Public restrooms are available in the Divinity School. To access them, exit the Chapel through the main front doors and enter the Divinity School. Restrooms are along the hallway in the Divinity School.

Chapel Organist Recital | Chapel Organist Christopher Jacobson, FRCON, will present a recital today 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.

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.

Interfaith Series on Deep Roots of Spiritual Practices | The final talk will be by Chaplain Francesca Morfesis, with the Buddhist Meditation Community at Duke, this Thursday, February 24, from 12:30–1:30 p.m. in the Chaplin Family Study Room in the Brodhead Center. She will discuss “Mindfulness and Buddhism.” Preregistration is encouraged.

*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

A Blessing

Go forth into the world in peace; be of good courage;
Hold fast that which is good; render to no one evil for evil;
Strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak;
Help the afflicted; honor all people;
Love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.
And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son,
and the Holy Ghost be upon you,
and remain with you forever.
Amen.

—Book of Common Prayer
* Benediction

*Benediction

For the Healing of the Nations

Closing Voluntary

Carillon, Op. 31

OPENING HYMN FOR FEBRUARY 20, 2022

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Today’s Offering | All of today’s cash offerings and checks written to Duke University Chapel will be used to support our Mission of the Month, Project Access of Durham County. Project Access provides access to quality specialty care for the uninsured residents of Durham County. Its mission is to improve the health of uninsured and underserved communities. Project Access provides access to an organized system of comprehensive care and collaborates with community partners to address barriers to health. Its program includes the Durham Homeless Care Transitions team and the Health Equipment Loan Program. You are invited to give online at 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 Erlenbach Family Trust.

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.