



# Duke UNIVERSITY CHAPEL

BRIDGING FAITH & LEARNING

## SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Transfiguration Sunday

Sunday, March 2, 2025, 11:00 a.m.



Ivanka Demchuk, *Transfiguration*, 2015.

Today, we celebrate the Transfiguration of the Lord. Our Gospel lesson provides a vivid description of a mountaintop transformation, where Jesus's face was changed and his garments became dazzlingly bright in the presence of Peter, John, and James. The appearance of Moses and Elijah reminds us that Jesus stands in line with the great leaders of Israel and symbolizes his fulfillment of the Law and the Prophets through his life, death, and resurrection. The Transfiguration also recalls Moses's encounter with God on Mt. Sinai. In 2 Corinthians, Paul teaches that while Moses's face had to be veiled after encountering the Lord, through Christ we are given the freedom to approach God boldly. Jesus has torn the veil between earth and heaven, and he invites us to enter the new covenant through faith.

# Gathering

## Carillon

### Prelude

Medio registro alto, 1º tono

Francisco Peraza  
(1564–1598)

Tiento [34] de medio registro de baxón (1º tono)

Francisco Correa de Arauxo  
(1584–1654)

### Greeting and Call to Worship

#### Introit

Light Everlasting

Olaf C. Christiansen  
(1901–1984)

O Light everlasting, O Love never-failing,  
illumine our darkness and draw us to thee.

May we from thy Spirit receive inspiration  
as children together thy wisdom may see.  
Make known to all nations thy peace and salvation,  
and help us, O Father, thy temple to be.

O Light everlasting, O Love never-failing,  
illumine our darkness and draw us to thee.

—*Olaf C. Christiansen*

#### \*Gathering Hymn | UMH 173

Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies

RATISBON

**\*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.

\*All rise as able

Minister: Christ, have mercy.

**People: Christ, have mercy.**

Minister: Lord, have mercy.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

The minister speaks words of assurance.

**\*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:

**O God, who on the holy mount revealed your well-beloved Son, mercifully grant that we, enlightened by your word, may be delivered from the anxiety of this world by faith in the King, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

Old Testament Lesson | OT page 78 in pew Bibles.

Exodus 34:29–35

Lector: The word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## Psalmody

How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place

Johannes Brahms  
(1833–1897)

How lovely is thy dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!  
For my soul, it longeth, yea fainteth, for the courts of the Lord.  
My soul and body crieth out, yea for the living God.  
Blest are they, that dwell within Thy house;  
they praise Thy name evermore.

—*Psalm 84:1–4*

New Testament Lesson | NT page 169 in pew Bibles.

2 Corinthians 3:12–4:2

Lector: The word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

\***Gradual Hymn** | UMH 258. Stanzas 1, 2, and 3. All turn to face the Gospel procession.

O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair

WAREHAM

\***Gospel Lesson** | NT pages 65-66 in pew Bibles.

Luke 9:21–43a

Lector: The word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

\***Gradual Hymn** | UMH 258. Stanzas 4 and 5. All turn to face the Gospel procession.

O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair

WAREHAM

Sermon

Facing Change

**Response**

\***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.**

### Mission of the Month

### Offertory Anthem

Praise His Holy Name

Keith Hampton

Sing till the power of the Lord come down.  
Shout hallelujah! Praise his holy name!

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me;  
I once was lost, but now I'm found, was blind, but now I see.  
Jesus, Jesus, how I love thee!  
Shout hallelujah! Praise his holy name!

Must Jesus bear the cross alone and all the world go free?  
No, there's a cross for ev'ryone and there's a cross for me.  
Jesus, Jesus, how I love thee!  
Shout hallelujah! Praise his holy name!

Praise his name! Praise his holy name!  
Praise his name! Oh, oh, praise his holy name!

—*Keith Hampton*

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

Installation of Assistant Dean of Religious Life

Commitment of the Rev. Dr. Lyn Pace

Commitment by the Congregation

Minister: People of God at Duke Chapel, will you receive Lyn into this ministry as one sent to serve Christ in this place?

**People: We will, and we ask God to help us.**

Minister: Will you pray for him, help and uphold him in all his work, and in all things strive to live together in the peace and unity of Christ?

**People: We will, and we ask God to help us.**

\*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

God Be in My Head

John Rutter

God be in my head and in my understanding,  
God be in mine eyes and in my looking,  
God be in my mouth and in my speaking,  
God be in mine heart and in my thinking,  
God be at my end and in my departing.

—*Sarum Primer*

\*Benediction

\*Sending Hymn | See hymn printed at back of worship guide.

Alleluia, Song of Gladness

LAUDA ANIMA

Postlude

Sonata de 1º tono

José Lidón  
(1752–1827)

Carillon

**Memorial Chapel Communion** | Immediately following the postlude, a brief communion service will be held in Memorial Chapel; worship guides for the service are available near the entrance. Following communion, the minister will be available to offer prayers and anointing.

TODAY IN WORSHIP

Presiding Ministers

Luke A. Powery.....*Dean, Duke University Chapel*  
Bruce Puckett.....*Assistant Dean, Duke University Chapel*

Preacher

Jessica Wai-Fong Wong .....*Associate Professor of Systematic Theology,  
Azusa Pacific University; Divinity '09; Graduate '15*

**Lectors**

Ryan Parker..... *Chapel Scholar, Graduate '25*  
Darin Diep ..... *Chapel Scholar, Divinity '26*

**Mission of the Month**

Neely Monemi..... *Director of Development, Inter-Faith Food Shuttle*

**Musicians**

Duke Chapel Choir..... *Choir*  
Zebulon Highben..... *Director of Chapel Music, Duke University Chapel*  
Robert Parkins ..... *University Organist, Duke University*  
Chad Fothergill..... *Chapel Organist, Duke University Chapel*  
Katherine Johnson ..... *Organ Scholar, Duke University Chapel*  
Mitchell Eithun ..... *Chapel Carillonneur, Duke University Chapel*

**Head Usher**

Ken Arneson..... *Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel*

**Today's Guest Preacher** | Today's Goodson guest preacher is the Rev. Dr. Jessica Wai-Fong Wong. Rev. Dr. Wong is Associate Professor of Systematic Theology at Azusa Pacific University and works in political and liberation theologies with a focus on race, gender, society, and visual theory. She is an ordained ruling elder in the Presbyterian Church (USA) and holds degrees in Christian theology and ethics from Duke Divinity School and Duke University. She is the author of *Disordered: The Holy Icon and Racial Myths* (Baylor University Press, 2021) and co-author of the curriculum *Lamenting Racism: A Christian Response to Racial Injustice* (MennoMedia, 2021). Her current research project, *Black Monsters, Yellow Ghosts*, considers the racial and sociopolitical dynamics of Asian American invisibility and Black hypervisibility and the Christian understanding of sight as a locus justice and faithfulness.

**Mission of the Month** | All of today's cash offerings and checks written to Duke University Chapel will be used to support Inter-Faith Food Shuttle. Inter-Faith Food Shuttle was founded in 1989 and joined the Feeding America network of food banks in 2001. Their mission is to FEED their Neighbors, TEACH self-sufficiency, and GROW healthy food by cultivating innovative approaches to end hunger. They provide nutritious food, empowering knowledge, and culinary job training to over 240,000 children, adults, and seniors facing food insecurity in our seven-county service area. Send checks to: Duke University Chapel, Box 90974, Durham, NC 27708-0974. Give online at [chapel.duke.edu/offering](https://chapel.duke.edu/offering).

**Today's Flowers** | The flowers for the worship service today are given by the Gotham Fund to the glory of God and in memory of Mary Duke Biddle Trent Semans.



## 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 community and beyond. Today, we give thanks for the Duke Clinical Research Institute.

**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.

**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.

**Ash Wednesday and Lent** | The Chapel will hold services on Ash Wednesday, March 5, at 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., both with imposition of ashes. From March 13 through April 10, there will be Compline services on Thursdays at 9:00 p.m. to mark the season of Lent. Also during Lent, the Stations of the Cross paintings by Margaret Adams Parker will be on display.

**Guest Preacher Next Sunday** | In next Sunday's worship service, we will welcome to the pulpit Dr. Sarah Jean Barton, Assistant Professor of Occupational Therapy and Theological Ethics at Duke University. She is a theologian and occupational therapist who holds a dual faculty appointment in the Divinity School and the School of Medicine, where she serves as program director of the Occupational Therapy Doctorate program. Her scholarly, church, and community work focuses on the intersections of disability with theology, ethics, and participation. She is the author of *Becoming the Baptized Body: Disability and the Practice of Christian Community* (Baylor University Press). Dr. Barton serves as a lay leader and preacher at St. Joseph's Episcopal Church in Durham, North Carolina.

**Snackluck Next Sunday** | The Congregation's Fellowship Committee is hosting a post-worship "Snackluck" Sunday, March 9, in the lower level of the Chapel. In case you are not aware, a snackluck is a simplified version of a potluck. Come break bread and spend time in gratitude and fellowship together.

## ENGAGE

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**Organ Scholar Applications** | The Chapel is now accepting applications for its 2025–2026 Organ Scholars program. Established in 2015, the program provides an immersive and supportive environment for promising students of organ and church music to develop vocational skills through liturgical planning and leadership; extensive choral accompaniment, continuo playing, choral rehearsal and conducting; and other activities that support the wide-ranging ministries of a vibrant university chapel. Review of applications for the 2025–2026 Organ Scholar position begins on March 1, 2025. Learn more and apply at [chapel.duke.edu/organscholar](https://chapel.duke.edu/organscholar).

**United States Naval Academy Glee Club Concert** | The United States Naval Academy Glee Club will give a concert at Duke Chapel on Saturday, March 15, at 7:00 p.m. The group is comprised of The USNA Men's Glee Club, which has achieved prominence as one of the world's premier men's choruses, and The USNA Women's Glee Club, which is the only all-female military choral ensemble in the world. The Glee Clubs often perform masterpieces of choral-orchestral literature and have toured extensively domestically and abroad. Free tickets are required to attend this concert. Register at [chapel.duke.edu/gleeclubtickets](https://chapel.duke.edu/gleeclubtickets).

**Christian Education Classes** | All Sunday morning classes meet in the lowest level of Duke Divinity School (across the Chapel quad from Page Auditorium) from 9:45–10:45 a.m. Come early for refreshments at 9:30 a.m. New participants are welcome at any time. Contact [congregation@duke.edu](mailto:congregation@duke.edu) for additional information.

**Wee Praise:** Children ages 0–3 along with parent(s) or caregiver(s) in 0011 Westbrook

**Godly Play:** Children ages 4–1st graders in 0054 Langford

**Godly Play Advanced:** Children in 2nd–5th grades in 0050 Langford

**Youth Program:** Youth 6th–12th graders will explore a survey of the Old Testament in 0015 Westbrook

**Adult Bible Study and Adult Forum:** Lenten Study in Westbrook 0012 and over Zoom

## SENDING HYMN | Alleluia, Song of Gladness



1. Al - le - lu - ia, song of glad - ness, voice of joy that  
2. Al - le - lu - ia you are sound - ing, true Je - ru - sa -  
3. Al - le - lu - ia can - not al - ways be our song while  
4. In our hymns we pray with long - ing: Grant us, bless - ed



can - not die; al - le - lu - ia is the an - them  
lem and free; al - le - lu - ia, joy - ful moth - er,  
here be - low; al - le - lu - ia our trans - gres - sions  
Trin - i - ty, at the last to keep glad Eas - ter



ev - er dear to choirs on high; in the house of  
bring us to your ju - bi - lee; here by Bab - y -  
make us for a while for - go; for the sol - emn  
with the faith - ful saints on high; there to you for -



God a - bid - ing thus they sing e - ter - nal - ly.  
lon's sad wa - ters mourn - ing ex - iles still are we.  
time is com - ing when our tears for sin shall flow.  
ev - er sing - ing al - le - lu - ia joy - ful - ly.

## ACCESSIBILITY

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Hearing assistance units, as well as large-print worship guides and hymnals, are available at the AV console in the rear of the Chapel. There, you can also find directions to download a listen-assist app on your phone. Please let us know if you need other accommodations by approaching a minister or usher, or email us at [dukechapel@duke.edu](mailto:dukechapel@duke.edu).

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



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