In today’s lesson from Exodus, God gives Moses the foundation of the law of Israel, the ten commandments. The psalmist proclaims that God’s law is enlightening and provides understanding. In the Gospel, Jesus’s cleansing of the Temple indicates that sin abounds in the very places where holiness should be most evident. Jesus’ criticism of the money changers is not an assertion that money has no place in a house of worship. It is a prophetic act declaring that money is to be used in service of faith, rather than a religious practice used in service of money. The lesson ends with Jesus foretelling his resurrection, a sign that he will be justified in his zeal for God.
Gathering
Carillon

Choral Prelude

Lord, From Sorrows Deep I Call                        Cliff Duren

Soon Ah Will Be Done                                      arr. William Dawson

Greeting and Call to Worship

*Gathering Hymn | UMH 559

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation                         westminster abbey

*Prayer of Confession and Words of Assurance

Minister: Holy God, we confess that we are caught in snares of sin and cannot break free.

People: We hoard resources while our neighbors are hungry and cold.

Minister: We speak in ways that silence others.

People: We are silent when we should speak up.

Minister: We keep score in our hearts.

People: We let hurts grow into hatred.

All: For all these things and for sins only you know, forgive us, Lord. Amen.

Minister: Here is a flood of grace:
Out of love for the whole world,
God draws near to us,
breaks every snare of sin,
washes away our wrong,
and restores the promise of life through Jesus Christ.

People: Amen.

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

Minister: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

*All rise as able
Proclamation

Prayer for Illumination | In unison:

O God, whose glory it is to always have mercy, through the unchangeable truth of your Word, bring us all with penitent hearts and firm faith to embrace and hold fast the truth of your infinite love; through our Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Anthem

Give Me Jesus

Oh, when I am alone, oh, when I am alone, oh, when I am alone, give me Jesus.
Give me Jesus, give me Jesus.
You may have all the rest, give me Jesus.

Oh, when I come to die...

And when I want to sing...

—Black spiritual

Old Testament Lesson | OT pages 63–64 in pew Bibles.

Exodus 20:1–17

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

Psalmody | The congregation chants the bolded text.

Psalm 19

The heavens are telling the glory of God, and the firmament proclaiming the work of His hands.
Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night closes knowledge.
There is no speech neither | are there words;
unheard | is their voice.
Through the whole earth their call goes out,
and to the edge of the | world, their words.

For the sun He has placed in | them a tent,
and it is like a bridegroom going forth from his | bridal-chamber;
it rejoices like an athlete to | run the course.
From one end of the heavens is its setting forth,
and its circuit | to their ends;
nothing is hidden | from its heat.
The teaching of Adonai is whole, re- | storing life;
the testimony of Adonai is reliable, making wise | the unknowing.
The statutes of Adonai are straightforward, rejoic- | ing the heart;
the commandments of Adonai are clear, enlighten- | ing the eyes.
The fear of Adonai is pure, stand- | ing forever;
the judgments of Adonai are true; they are alto- | gether just.
They are more desirable than gold, than | much fine gold,
and sweeter than honey, the rich flow | from the comb.
Surely Your servant is a- | glow with them;
much comes with | keeping them.
Unwitting sins, who | can discern?
Cleanse me from | hidden failings!
Also keep your servant away from the arrogant;
may they have no influence | over me,
that I may be whole, be clean | of great wrong.
May the words of my mouth and the thrumming of my heart 
find fa- | vor before You,
Adonai, my Rock and | my Redeemer!

—trans. Ellen F. Davis

*Gospel Lesson | NT pages 87–88 in pew Bibles.

John 2:13–22

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

Dollar Signs and Easter Signs

Response

*Response Hymn | UMH 132

All My Hope Is Firmly Grounded

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

Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus

Let us ever walk with Jesus, follow his example pure.
Through a world that would deceive us, where to sin our hearts are lured.
Ever in his footsteps treading, living here, yet home above,
full of faith and hope and love, let us do our Father’s bidding.
Faithful Lord, abide with me; Savior, lead, I follow thee.

Let us also die with Jesus, by his cross he conquer’d death,
freed us from our souls’ destruction, quickened us with life’s new breath.
Let us mortify, while living, self and pride, and die to sin,
and the grave that shuts us in shall but prove the gate to heaven.
Jesus, here I die to thee, there to dwell eternally.

Let us gladly live with Jesus, he is risen from the dead.
Death is swallowed up in vict’ry, Jesus, thou art now our Head.
Living members of thy Body, where thou livest, we shall be,
thou wilt keep us constantly, even so, dear Lord, come quickly,
Jesus, here I live to thee, there to dwell eternally.

—Sigismund von Birken, 1653; trans. composite
Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Thanksgiving and Holy Communion

*The Great Thanksgiving | Musical Setting D, found on page 23 in the hymnal.

*The Lord’s Prayer | All are encouraged to pray the Lord’s Prayer in the language of their choosing. The English text can be found at UMH 895.

Sharing of the Bread and Wine | All who love Christ, earnestly repent of their sins, and seek to be at peace with God and neighbor are invited to receive Communion. Bread and wine are used for communion. After a server places bread in your hands, you may receive wine by dipping your bread into the chalice. If you desire gluten-free bread or grape juice, or to drink from a common cup, these are available from servers at the front near Memorial Chapel and near the back opposite the attendant’s desk. If you will not receive Communion, you are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest.

Communion Anthems

Agnus Dei (Mass for Four Voices)  William Byrd  (c. 1540–1623)

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

—Ordinary of the Mass
Praise the Lord

Praise the Lord, all ye nations, praise the Lord, all ye people.
Praise the Lord for his merciful kindness is great toward us.
And the truth of the Lord endureth forever.
Praise the Lord.

—Psalm 117

*Post-Communion Prayer

Sending Forth

*Benediction

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

Bless Now, O God, the Journey

Postlude

O Lamm Gottes unschuldig, BWV 656

Johann Sebastian Bach
(1685–1750)

Carillon

TODAY IN WORSHIP

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Douglas A. Hicks ......................... President, Davidson College; Divinity ’93

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Carson-Newman A Cappella Choir .......................... Brandon Hollihan, conductor
National Lutheran Choir................................. Jennaya Robison, conductor
Duke Chapel Choir ........................................... Zebulon Highben, conductor
Robert Parkins .............................. University Organist, Duke University
Chad Fothergill .............................. Chapel Organist, Duke University Chapel
Junghwa Lee ...................................................... Piano
Kirsten Overdahl ................................................ Cantor
Aaron Colston ............................................. Chapel Carillonneur, Duke University Chapel

Head Usher
James Ferguson ............................................. Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel

Today’s Preacher | The Rev. Dr. Douglas A. Hicks is president of Davidson College. He joined Davidson from his role as dean of Oxford College at Emory University, where he developed new programs to enhance the curriculum and build intellectual and social community. Rev. Dr. Hicks received a bachelor of arts degree in economics from Davidson, a master of divinity from Duke University, and master’s and doctorate degrees in religion from Harvard University. He has written or edited nine books along with fifty articles for scholarly and public audiences. An ordained minister in the Presbyterian Church (USA), Hicks has held visiting faculty positions at Union Presbyterian Seminary in Richmond and at the Harvard Divinity School. He is a former president of the Academy of Religious Leadership and former chair of the Religion and Social Sciences section of the American Academy of Religion. He previously served as a member of the board of trustees of Agnes Scott College and, earlier, a trustee at Duke University.


Today’s Offering | All of today’s cash offerings and checks written to Duke University Chapel will be used to support mission trips sent out from the Chapel. You are invited to 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 Arrangements of Greenery | The beautification of the Chapel for all of Lent is provided by the generosity of the Elizabeth Lucina Gotham Memorial Chapel Endowment.
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.

Stations of the Cross | At 11:30 a.m. on Good Friday, March 29, Duke Chapel will again lead a Stations of the Cross procession on Abele Quad, using a liturgy of meditation and reflection. If you are interested in being a reader, please reach out with any questions to Kathryn Lester-Bacon at kathryn.lester.bacon@duke.edu by March 11. Rehearsal will be part of the preparation.

Congregation Interim Senior Pastor Hired | The Congregation Council is pleased to announce the hiring of the Reverend Lynn R. Holmes as Interim Senior Pastor for the Congregation. Since graduating from Duke Divinity School in 2019, she has remained involved in the ministries of the Congregation and Chapel. She is an ordained Baptist minister who considers the Chapel her second “church home.” Her continuing relationship with Congregation staff and members, understanding of the relationship between the Chapel and the Congregation, an training, skills, and experience make her uniquely qualified to fill the position of Interim Senior Pastor. We are grateful for Lynn’s willingness to serve us in this capacity.

National Lutheran Choir Concert | The National Lutheran Choir will perform at Duke Chapel today at 3:00 p.m. Their concert speaks to our shared odysseys as humans in a deeply interconnected world. From music of the Lutheran choral tradition, to the first wave of American immigrants to express that tradition in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries, to today’s brilliant interpreters of an expansive sacred choral tradition, this concert evokes a world enriched by shared tradition. Purchase tickets at tickets.duke.edu.

Compline During Lent | Candlelight, darkness, mystical chant, and meditative silence are the hallmarks of Compline, or Night Prayer. The service has a posture of quietly waiting and hopefully watching for the dawn of the resurrection. The Chapel is holding this ancient prayer service on Thursdays at 9:00 p.m. during the season of Lent, through March 21. The music for the services will be led by the Chapel’s Vespers Ensemble.
**ENGAGE**

**Lenten Bible Study** | On Wednesdays during Lent, gather in the Chapel kitchen. Come as early as 4:30 p.m. for light refreshments, coffee, and fellowship, followed by a discussion on one of the lectionary readings starting at 5:00 p.m. We’ll get you on your way to dinner, homework—or whatever your evening holds—by 5:45 p.m.

**Interfaith Lunch Conversation** | In an interfaith lunch series, Duke Professors from various religions will discuss how their faith informs their scholarship and vice versa. The next meeting is on Wednesday, March 6 from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. in the Chaplin Family Study Room in the Brodhead Center. It will feature Dr. Samrat Das, associate professor of pediatrics; Dr. Norman Wirzba, Gilbert T. Rowe Distinguished Professor of Christian Theology; and Dr. Mona Hassan, associate professor of religious studies and history. Please register here: [https://forms.office.com/r/9aYiVqma2Y](https://forms.office.com/r/9aYiVqma2Y).

**Guest Preacher Next Sunday** | In our next Sunday morning worship service, we will welcome as our guest preacher the Rev. Dr. Jennifer Copeland. Rev. Dr. Copeland is the executive director of the North Carolina Council of Churches.

**Choral Evensong** | The Chapel will hold a service of Choral Evensong next, Sunday March 10, at 4:00 p.m., which will feature music by Sir Charles Villiers Stanford in marking his centenary.

**Author Conversation on ‘Love Memory’** | The Rev. Racquel Gill, the Chapel’s minister for intercultural engagement, will host a conversation with the Rev. Dr. Fatimah Salleh about Salleh’s new book *Love Memory: A Memoir and a Practice*. Dr. Salleh describes finding love abundant in the exceptional moments of the everyday. The public conversation will take place on Wednesday, March 6, at 7:00 p.m. at the Center for Sexual and Gender Diversity in the Bryan Center.

**Robert Parkins Organ Recital** | Dr. Robert Parkins, university organist at Duke, will present a recital of “Music for the Lenten Season” on Sunday, March 17, at 5:00 p.m. The performance will feature works by early Italian and Spanish composers, as well as music of Brahms and J. S. Bach. No charge for admission.

**Sunday Morning Classes** | Sunday morning Christian Education classes are available for all ages. These classes are offered from 9:45–10:45 a.m., with coffee and refreshments provided at 9:30 a.m. Classes meet in the lowest level of the Westbrook building. Please contact [congregation@duke.edu](mailto:congregation@duke.edu) for Zoom links.
1. Bless now, O God, the journey that all your people
make, the path through noise and silence, the way of
way; your hope burns through the terrors, your love sus-
road. We wait for lands of promise where milk and
give and take. The trail is found in desert and
tains the day. We yearn for holy freedom while hon-
ey flow, but waiting not for places, you
winds the mountain round, then leads beside still
of ten we are bound; together we are
meet us all around. Our covenant is
waters, the road where faith is found.
seeking the road where faith is found.
written on roads, as faith is found.

Text: Sylvia G. Dunstan, 1955–1993
Music: Welsh melody, 19th cent.

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