Our service begins with a procession of the palms to recall the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem. The palms we wave reflect the fragility of the celebration—because a mere five days later the crowd’s adulation turns to hatred. In Philippians we read Paul’s account of Jesus’ ministry. Paul sums up the humiliation and the glory of Jesus that the Church honors this week as we follow Jesus to the cross on Good Friday, and anticipate his resurrection three days later.
Gathering
Carillon
Prelude
  Jazz ensemble
Choral Introit
  Wondrous Love arr. Paul Christiansen (1914-1997)
  What wondrous love is this, O my soul,
  that caused the Lord of life to bear the heavy cross!
  What wondrous love is this, O my soul,
  that Christ should lay aside his crown for my soul!
  What wondrous love is this, O my soul!

Greetings and Announcements
*Opening Procession: Hymn 278
  Hosanna, Loud Hosanna ELLACOMBE
*Blessing of the Palms
*Opening Procession: Hymn 280
  All Glory, Laud, and Honor ST. THEODULPH
*Prayers of Confession and Words of Assurance | In unison:
  Eternal God: In Jesus Christ you entered Jerusalem to die for our sins. We confess that we have not hailed you as King, or gone before you in the world with praise. For brief faith that fades in trouble, for enthusiasms that fizzle out, for hopes we parade but do not pursue, have mercy on us. Forgive us, God, and give us such trust in your power that, in every city, we may live for your justice and tell of your loving-kindness; for the sake of our Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.
The minister speaks words of assurance.
*Peace | All exchange signs and words of God's peace.

Proclamation
Prayer for Illumination | In unison:
  True and humble King Jesus, hailed by the crowd as Messiah: as we hear your word proclaimed today, grant us the faith that we may be found beside you on the way of the cross. Amen.
Psalm | Sung from pages 839–40 in the hymnal

Psalm 118:19-29

Gloria

Leader:    Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
People:    and to the Holy Spirit.
Leader:    As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
People:    world without end. Amen.

Anthem

Christus factus est    Anton Bruckner
(1824-1896)

Christus factus est pro nobis obediens usque ad mortem autem crucis. Propter quod et Deus exaltavit illum et dedit illi nomen quod est super omne nomen.

Christ became obedient for us unto death, even death on a cross. Therefore God also has exalted him and given him a name which is above every name.

– Philippians 2:8-9

New Testament Lesson | NT page 186 in the pew Bibles

Philippians 2:5-11

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

*Gradual Hymn 159 (Stanzas 1-2) | Face the Gospel Procession

Lift High the Cross

Gospel Lesson | NT pages 44045 in the pew Bibles

Mark 11:1-11

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

*Gradual Hymn 159 (Stanzas 3-4) | Face the Gospel Procession

Lift High the Cross

Sermon

In Service to the Sacred

Response

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

Ride on, King Jesus

Ride on, King Jesus, ride on, the conquering king.
No man can a-hinder thee.
I was but young when I begun, but now my race is almost done.
King Jesus rides a milk white horse; the river of Jordan he did cross.
He's the King and the Lord of all.
He's the first and the last, Jesus is the first and he's the last.
He's the Lord of Lords, Jesus is the Lord of Lords.
Jesus is the Prince of Peace. Ride on, Jesus!

*Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

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.

Sending Forth

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*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.

*Benediction

*Closing Processional Hymn 161

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

*Choral Blessing

God Be in My Head

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 my heart and in my thinking. God be at my end and in my departing.

Postlude

Jazz ensemble

Carillon

Communion Service in Memorial Chapel | Immediately following today's worship service, a brief communion service will be held in Memorial Chapel. Following communion, the pastor will be available to anoint and pray with individuals.
PRESIDING MINISTERS
The Rev. Dr. Carol Gregg...........Pastor to the Congregation at Duke University Chapel
Dr. Christy Lohr Sapp............................Associate Dean for Religious Life

PREACHER
The Rev. Dr. Luke A. Powery ..............Dean of Duke University Chapel

LECTORS
Joyce Zhao......................Duke Chapel Scholar, Trinity '19, Reformed University Fellowship
Janie Booth ............................Duke Wesley Fellowship, Chapel Scholar, Trinity '19

MUSICIANS
Georg Schneider .........................Cantor, Member of Duke University Chapel Choir
Duke University Chapel Choir.................................Choir
Dr. Rodney Wynkoop..........................Director of Chapel Music
Duke Jazz Ambassadors............................Guest Musicians
John Brown............................................Director
Mr. Christopher Jacobson ....................Chapel Organist
Mr. J. Samuel Hammond.............................University Carillonneur

MEMORIAL CHAPEL COMMUNION
The Rev. Dr. Carol Gregg...........Pastor to the Congregation at Duke University Chapel

HEAD USHERS
Dr. James Ferguson and Mr. Rick Wilfong ...............................Members of the Congregation at Duke Chapel

TODAY'S FLOWERS | Flowers for today's worship service are given to the glory of God by the Nancy Hanks Fund.

PALMS | Our palms today are from Eco-Palms, a “fair trade” palm producer that seeks to promote environmental and social justice in its practices. Eco-Palms pays a fair wage to producers and harvesters of palms who utilize sustainable practices in growing the palms. This is part of our ongoing effort to be a Green and Fair Chapel.

TODAY'S OFFERING | All of today's cash offerings and checks written to Duke University Chapel will be used to support human service organizations in the greater Durham area.

CHAPEL TOUR | For a tour of Duke Chapel, meet today’s docent near the front steps of the Chapel following the service.

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.

FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN | Children 4 and younger are welcome to visit the nursery (capacity limited), located in the Chapel lower level, beginning at 10:45 a.m. each week.
GUEST MUSICIANS | The Duke University Jazz Program was started by students in the 1930s, and became an official part of the University’s academic structure in the 1970s. The group performing today, the Duke Jazz Ambassadors, is one of several ensembles in the Jazz Program, and it represents a connection between today’s trends in music and the long held traditions of the presence of jazz at Duke. This small group brings faculty, students and community musicians for performances, and actively performs in a wide variety of settings including many performances across campus.

ENGAGE

WELCOME TO DUKE CHAPEL | If you have questions about the ministries of Duke Chapel or the Congregation at Duke Chapel, please stop by the Welcome Desk in the narthex. Those staffing the table will be happy to answer your questions.

CROP WALK | The Annual CROP Walk raises money to fight hunger both locally and globally. The walk starts from the front of the Chapel today; registration begins at 1:30 p.m. and step-off is at 2:30 p.m.

ORGAN RECITAL TODAY | The Organ Recital Series continues at 5:00 p.m. this afternoon, with a performance by Dr. Robert Parkins, University Organist and a Professor of the Practice of Music at Duke. Presented on the Aeolian organ, this program will feature the first performance of *Noel’s Psalm (A Sonata for Organ)*, a newly commissioned piece by North Carolina composer Dan Locklair.

NEW C. ERIC LINCOLN FELLOW | Duke senior Evan Nicole Bell has been selected as this year’s C. Eric Lincoln Theology and Arts Fellow at Duke University Chapel. As part of the fellowship, Bell has created an exhibition titled “Faith in Color: A Photographic Exploration of Race, Religion, and America in Tribute to C. Eric Lincoln.” Her work will be on display in Duke Chapel April 4 through May 1, with an opening reception 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 12.

HOLY SATURDAY VESPERS CONCERT | Directed by Dr. Philip Cave, the Duke Chapel Vespers Ensemble presents Darkness to Light: Music for Holy Week & Easter at 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 31. The concert will feature *The Seven Last Words of Jesus* and *Easter-Discourse* by Heinrich Schütz and Cantata No. 4, *Christ lag in Todesbanden*, by Johann Sebastian Bach.

EDUCATION SCHEDULE EASTER SUNDAY | Christian education classes will not be held on Easter Sunday, due to the full schedule of worship services. All classes will resume on April 8.
RETREAT ON COVENANT COMMUNITY | The Congregation’s Overnight Retreat will be held June 2-3 and will feature Dr. Stephen Chapman of Duke Divinity School. He will address the key question of Deuteronomy: What does it mean to be God’s people in a new land? Planned in conjunction with the Chapel’s summertime focus on Deuteronomy, the retreat provides participants with the opportunity to learn more about a very important book of the Bible and its vision for a covenant community. Registration is required by April 1. Details and registration at http://congregation.chapel.duke.edu/overnight2018.

FAITH AND POLITICS | University students and young adults are invited to a new discussion series starting April 3. “I Pledge Allegiance?” will explore citizenship in the Kingdom of God, and will meet on Tuesday nights from April 3 to May 1 at 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel Lounge. Contact andrew.phillips@duke.edu.

SATURDAY SERVICE PROJECT | Volunteers are needed on Saturday, April 7, from 12-noon to 2:00 p.m. to bake for the families staying at The Ronald McDonald House of Durham. The house offers a comforting home away from home for seriously ill children and their families. Please bring your own ingredients for baking. For more information, contact congregation@duke.edu.

BACK PEW COLLECTION | On Sundays, April 8 and 15, donations for the Ronald McDonald House of Durham may be placed on the back pew. Requested items include: individual cookie packs, individual chip bags, peanut butter singles, Vienna sausages, individual tea bags, liquid coffee creamer cups, large paper plates (no styrofoam please), 13-gallon kitchen trash bags, disinfectant spray, and air freshener (spray and gel).

CHORAL VESPERS | As daylight fades, Choral Vespers invites students and community members into the darkened Chapel to experience sacred music, scripture readings, and prayer at 6:00 p.m. on Thursdays during the academic year.

CHORAL EVENSONG | Drawn from the 17th century, Choral Evensong consists of sacred music, scripture, and prayers that have shaped Christian lives for hundreds of years. The tradition continues at the Chapel at 4:00 p.m. on Sundays during the academic year.

SECOND SUNDAY LUNCH | All are welcome to stay for lunch in the Brodhead Center immediately after worship on April 8; the Brodhead Center is a short walk from the Chapel. Participants may purchase their food from one of numerous vendors and gather in the Great Hall on the main floor.

GROWING THRU GRIEF | A six week “Introduction to Grief Series” will begin on Tuesday, April 10 at 4:00 p.m. at St. Paul’s Lutheran Church located at 1200 W. Cornwallis in Durham. The series is sponsored by a coalition of area churches, including the Congregation at Duke Chapel. Growing thru Grief is a free, open, confidential program which offers year-round support to those who grieve.
HOLY WEEK AND EASTER AT DUKE UNIVERSITY CHAPEL | From Palm Sunday (March 25) through Easter (April 1), we have twenty worship services and three concerts. Five guest preachers will participate. For a full listing of services please visit chapel.duke.edu/holyweek2018.

Palm Sunday, March 25: 11 a.m. University Worship with sermon from the Dean Luke A. Powery | 4:00 p.m. Choral Evensong | 5:00 p.m. Organ Recital Series by Dr. Robert Parkins

Holy Monday, March 26 - Holy Thursday, March 29: Noon Services with sermons from guest preachers listed at chapel.duke.edu/holyweek2018

Holy Thursday, March 29: 7:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Service with sermon from Dr. Valerie Cooper, associate professor of Religion and Society and Black Church Studies at Duke Divinity School

Good Friday, March 30: 11:30 a.m. Procession of the Stations of the Cross | 12:00 p.m. Good Friday Noon Service with Dramatic Gospel Presentation from the Rev. McKennon Shea, Major Gifts and Leadership Annual Fund Officer at Duke Divinity School | 1:00 p.m. Meditative Organ Music | 7:30 p.m. Service of Tenebrae, sermon from Rev. Dr. Luke A. Powery

Holy Saturday, March 31: 4:00 p.m. Darkness to Light: Music for Holy Week and Easter, concert by the Duke Vespers Ensemble

Easter Sunday, April 1: 6:30 a.m. Easter Sunrise Service at Duke Gardens with sermon from the Rev. Bruce Puckett | 9:00 a.m. Easter Worship Service with communion and sermon from Dean Luke A. Powery | 11:00 a.m. Easter Worship Service with sermon from Dean Luke A. Powery | 4:00 p.m. Choral Evensong

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