



Duke UNIVERSITY CHAPEL

BRIDGING FAITH & LEARNING

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Sunday, March 31, 2019, 11:00 a.m.



Prodigal Son in Modern Life: The Return
James Jacques Joseph Tissot, c. 1882

The Fourth Sunday in Lent is traditionally known as Refreshment Sunday (some traditions refer to it as Laetare Sunday, which is Latin for rejoice). Refreshment Sunday marks the transition from the penitence of the early weeks of Lent to the taking up the way of the cross in the later weeks. The lesson from Joshua reminds us of God's provision of manna for the Israelites throughout the duration of their time in the wilderness. The letter to the church in Corinth emphasizes the newness of creation: "everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!" The parable of the prodigal son in Luke reveals the depth of God's lavish grace, even in the face of human rebellion and disobedience.

Gathering

Organ Prelude

Ricercare dopo il Credo

Girolamo Frescobaldi

(1583-1643)

Tiento [16] de 4º tono [“a modo de canción”] Francisco Correa de Arauxo

(1584-1654)

Greeting and Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn 579

Lord God, Your Love Has Called Us Here

CAREY'S (SURREY)

*Prayers of Confession and Words of Assurance | In unison

God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost. We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way. We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained, and great when we are small. We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored your truth. Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin. Return us to paths of righteousness; through Jesus Christ, our Savior, Amen.

The minister speaks words of assurance.

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

Proclamation

Prayer for Illumination | In unison:

Merciful Lord, you know our struggle to serve you when sin spoils our lives and overshadows our hearts; as we hear your word today, come among us and turn us back to you again; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson | OT page 188 in the pew Bible

Joshua 5:9-12

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

Modimo (Botswana)

Soweto Gospel Choir

Modimo re boka wena
Modimo re boka a wena
Tsohle di yentswe ke wena
Modimo re boka wena

*Mighty God we thank you
Mighty God we thank you
For you're the creator of all things
Mighty God we thank you*

* All who are able may stand

New Testament Lesson | NT pages 170-171 in the pew Bible

2 Corinthians 5: 16-21

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

*Gospel Lesson | NT pages 73-74 in the pew Bible

Luke 15:11-32

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

The Big Picture

Response

*Hymn of Response 168

At the Name of Jesus

KING'S WESTON

*Lenten Creed

We believe in Jesus Christ, “who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.”

Philippians 2:6–11

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 Anthems

Ngena Nawe (eSwatini)

Joyous Celebration

Nang' umnyango
Umnyango wek'philiswa
Uvulelwe wena
Uvuleke uthe nge
Ngena Nawe
Newenkululeko
Ungangabati
Nawo uvulekile
Nali isango
Umnyango wek'philiswa
Nalo litse nge
Simanga vuku'lalele
Ungalibali
Lisango lenjabulo
Livuleke litse nge
Nemvula yemvuselelo
Hayi ungasabi
Seyifike ngemandla
Ngena nawe
Kulomvumbu wokuphila
Natha Nawe
Kudengelwe wena
Ungadla nawe, usuthe nawe

*Here is the door
The door to life
It has been opened for you
It's wide open for you
Enter, you are welcome
For your freedom and upliftment
Do not hesitate
It is also open for you
Here are the gates
The door to life
It's wide open for you
Wake up; listen to his Glory
Do not forget
The door to happiness
Is wide open for you
Do not be afraid
The living waters
Have come abundantly and with strength
Come in, you are welcome
This is the source of life
Drink, drink
This is all for you
You are invited to eat; eat, be merry, be
filled*

*Doxology

OLD 100TH

**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 Hymn 545

The Church's One Foundation

AURELLA

Choral Benediction

Tambira Jehova (Zimbabwe)

Joyous Celebration

Tambira Jehova
Tambira Jehova

*Dance for the Lord
Dance for the Lord*

Kunamata Jesu inhange mutange,
wasara wasara
Aiye inhange mutange wasara wasara
Kunamata Jesu inhange mutange,
wasara wasara
Aiye inhange mutange wasara wasara

*Praising Jesus is a race, delay and you'll
be left behind
Delay and you'll be left behind
Praising Jesus is a race, delay and you'll
be left behind
Delay and you'll be left behind*

Ichokwadi mwari varipo
Ichokwadi mwari varipo
Usarambe kudiiara
Usarambe kudiiara
Kana Jesu ouya achidaidza iwe
Kana Jesu ouya achidaidza iwe

*Surely the presence of the Lord is here
Surely the presence of the Lord is here
Do not refuse to answer
Do not refuse to answer
When Jesus is calling you
When Jesus is calling you*

Organ Voluntary

Carillon, from 24 Free Style Pieces

Louis Vierne
(1870-1937)

Memorial Chapel Communion | 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.

TODAY IN WORSHIP

PRESIDING MINISTERS
 Rev. Dr. Luke A. Powery *Dean of the Chapel*
 Rev. Bruce Puckett *Assistant Dean of the Chapel*

PREACHER
 Rev. Dr. Richard Lischer *Professor Emeritus, Duke Divinity School*

LECTORS
 Mr. Charlie Mavon *Trinity '22*

MUSICIANS
 Duke Amandla Chorus *Choir*
 Dr. Robert Parkins *University Organist*
 Mr. Christopher Jacobson *Chapel Organist*

TODAY IN WORSHIP (CONT.)

MEMORIAL CHAPEL COMMUNION

Rev. Bruce Puckett *Assistant Dean of the Chapel*

HEAD USHERS

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

TODAY'S FLOWERS | The flowers for today's service are given by the Nancy Hanks Fund.

TODAY'S OFFERING | All of today's cash offerings and checks written to Duke University Chapel will be used to support mission trips organized by the Chapel.

GUEST PREACHER | Our Gomes Endowment guest preacher this morning is Rev. Dr. Richard Lischer. Rev. Dr. Lischer is the James T. and Alice Mead Cleland Professor Emeritus of Preaching in Duke Divinity School and a frequent preacher in Duke Chapel. A native of St. Louis, he is an ordained pastor in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. He is the author or editor of many books on ministry and preaching, including *Open Secrets: A Memoir of Faith and Discovery* and *The Preacher King: Martin Luther King, Jr. and the Word that Moved America*. He and his wife, Tracy, live in Orange County, North Carolina.

GUEST CHOIR | This morning's guest choir is the Duke Amandla Chorus. "Amandla" is a Zulu and Xhosa word from South Africa that means "Power." The chorus seeks to share the rich, diverse, and empowering African culture with the Duke community through music. The first of its kind on campus, Amandla Chorus is an African music group that performs traditional music from various countries in Africa in their respective languages. They also incorporate dancing and local African instruments in their performances. The chorus uses music as an avenue to teach the community about the multiplicity of African culture, history, and values. They are passionate about Africa and want to be a part of sharing its many languages and cultures with the Duke and Durham communities.

ACCESSIBILITY | Large print hymnals and bulletins are available at the front desk. Hearing assistance units are available at the back left sound desk.

FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN | Children four and younger are welcome to visit the nursery (capacity limited), located in the Chapel's lower level, beginning

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.

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

SPRING ORATORIO TODAY | When Felix Mendelssohn's grandmother presented the young composer with a manuscript copy of Bach's *St. Matthew Passion*, it had a profound effect on him, and he set about preparing a performance of the work, which took place in Berlin in 1829. Mendelssohn's ground-breaking work is reproduced in a performance given by all three of Duke Chapel's choirs, soloists, and two orchestras. Bach's *St. Matthew Passion* will be performed today at 4:00 p.m. Tickets are available at the Duke Box Office at tickets.duke.edu and 919-684-4444.

LABYRINTH | Visitors are invited to walk a labyrinth in the Chapel on Monday, April 1, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. and on Tuesday, April 2, from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. The labyrinth, a 40-foot circle containing a winding path, is an ancient spiritual tradition in many faiths. The labyrinth is self-guided and takes thirty minutes to an hour to complete.

PUB THEOLOGY | Join university students and young adults on Thursday, April 4, 7:00- 8:30 p.m., at Pour Taproom, 202 Corcoran Street, #200, Durham for discussion and fellowship. Questions, doubts, and a desire to discuss are the only requirements.

CROP WALK NEXT SUNDAY | The Annual CROP Walk to benefit organizations that work to end hunger and support refugees locally and globally will be Sunday, April 7. The 4.8-mile course starts in the front of Duke Chapel, then travels to Duke's East Campus and back. Registration starts at 1:30 p.m.; step-off is at 2:30 p.m. The Congregation at Duke Chapel team welcomes both walkers and donations. Please see <https://www.crophungerwalk.org/durhamnc/TheCongregationatDukeChapel> or contact the Congregation office.

TRIPLE T | Young adults and university students will gather in the Chapel kitchen on Monday, April 8 at 6:30 p.m. to feed their spirits and bodies. Food and discussion, along with laughter and friendship, mark this gathering. Participants will be reading and discussing Howard Thurman's *The Search for Common Ground*. Triple T meets on the 2nd and 4th Monday of the month.

BACH: ST. JOHN PASSION | In 1851, composer Robert Schumann undertook a revival of Bach's *St. John Passion* which he described as "bold and poetic." Schumann replaced Baroque instruments with more modern alternatives; fortepiano, cello, and bass feature prominently in the recitatives and telling of the Passion narrative. The Evensong Singers will perform this piece on Sunday,

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April 14, at 4:00 p.m. Tickets are available at the Duke Box Office at tickets.duke.edu and 919-684-4444.

C. ERIC LINCOLN THEOLOGY AND ARTS FELLOW | The Chapel has selected Duke senior Lizbeth Leapo to be this year's C. Eric Lincoln Theology and Arts Fellow. A biomedical engineering major, Leapo will display her paintings of religious scenes from India in the Chapel from April 23 through May 6. Leapo is Christian but is interested in exploring artistically other faiths that are practiced in India.

SEEKING DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS LIFE | The Chapel is seeking to hire a Director of Religious Life. The position has the broad responsibility of the Chapel's oversight of Religious Life at Duke, including the care of Religious Life group leaders; campus ministries; and interfaith engagement programs and activities for Duke students, staff, and faculty members. Learn more and apply at hr.duke.edu/careers.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES | Classes for all ages are offered every Sunday at 9:45 a.m. in the lowest level of the Westbrook building, Duke Divinity School. Refreshments and fellowship begin at 9:30 a.m. Classes are:

Wee Praise: For children ages 0-3 with parents or caregivers in 0011 WB

Godly Play: For ages 4 through 5th graders in 0050 Langford

Youth Bible Study: For youth in 6th–12th grade in 0013 Westbrook

Adult Forum: On April 7, The Rev. Joshua Lazard, C. Eric Lincoln Minister for Student Engagement and Interim Director of Religious Life at Duke Chapel, will lead the discussion in 0012 Westbrook

For a complete listing of events, please visit chapel.duke.edu/events or sign up to receive weekly emails at chapel.duke.edu/email



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The Congregation is the interdenominational church home for university students and community members who consider the Chapel to be their primary place of worship. Through ministries of mission, education, and fellowship, members of the Congregation strive to deepen connections with God and neighbor.

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