Christians believe in the power of God to breathe life into places of death. The scripture lessons today testify to God’s transformative power. In Ezekiel, the people of Israel are grieving. Jerusalem has fallen, and they feel hopeless in the face of death. But the passage of the dry bones is God’s promise that they will be restored—the skeletons will take on flesh and be brought to health and vigor. The story in John’s gospel of the resurrection of Lazarus is also a story of new life. Lazarus was dead for four days, and yet Jesus called him out of the tomb, in a foreshadowing of Easter morning.
The congregation is asked to remain silent during the prelude as a time of prayer and meditation. The Chapel welcomes families with children. If at any time during the service your child needs a place for active play, please know there is a nursery in the Chapel basement.

**GATHERING**

**CARILLON**

**PRELUDE**

“Swing Low” (from *A Spiritual Pair*)

Dan Locklair

(b. 1949)

“The peace may be exchanged.” (from *Rubrics*)

**INTROIT**

Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee

John B. Dykes

(arr. Daniel E. Gawthrop)

(1823-1876)

Jesus, the very thought of thee with sweetness fills my breast; But sweeter far thy face to see, and in thy presence rest.

Nor voice can sing, nor heart can frame, nor can the memory find A sweeter sound than thy blest name, O Savior of mankind!

O hope of every contrite heart, O joy of all the meek, To those who fall, how kind thou art! How good to those who seek!

Jesus, our only joy be thou, as thou our prize will be; Jesus, be thou our glory now, and through eternity.

**GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 515*

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND WORDS OF ASSURANCE (in unison)*

The minister offers words of confession in three biddings, to which the congregation responds as follows:

Lord have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

*The minister speaks words of assurance.*
**PEACE**

*(All exchange signs and words of God’s peace.)*

**PROCLAMATION**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (in unison)**

> Gracious Father, you gave up your Son out of love for the world: as your word is read in our midst, lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion, that we may know eternal peace through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON—Ezekiel 37:1-14 (OT page 759 in the pew Bible)**

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

**ANTHEM**

*When Jesus Wept*  
**William Billings**  
*(1746-1800)*

When Jesus wept, the falling tear in mercy flowed beyond all bound;  
When Jesus groaned, a trembling fear seized all the guilty world around.  
—*New England Psalm Singer (1770)*

**NEW TESTAMENT LESSON—Romans 8:6-11 (NT page 147)**

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

**GRADUAL HYMN 355 (stanzas 1-2)**

*Depth of Mercy*  
**Canterbury**

*(All turn to face the Gospel Procession.)*


Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

**GRADUAL HYMN 355 (stanzas 3-5)**

*Depth of Mercy*  
**Canterbury**

**SERMON—Waiting for God**

**RESPONSE**

**THE 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 living 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: “Hear our prayer.”)

MISSION ANNOUNCEMENT

OFFERTORY ANTHEM
The Spirit of the Lord Is Upon Me  Edward Elgar
(1857-1934)

The spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me
to preach the Gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the
brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives and recovering
of sight to the blind, to preach the acceptable year of the Lord, to
give unto them that mourn a garland for ashes, the oil of joy for
mournimg, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness, that
they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord,
that he might be glorified. For as the earth bringeth forth her bud,
and as the garden causeth the things that are sown in it to spring
forth, so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to spring
forth before all the nations.
—Isaiah 61:1-3, 11

*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.

THANKSGIVING
This morning we give thanks for the Department of Psychology and Neuroscience.
We celebrate its probing of the mind and its seeking to integrate the behavioral and
social sciences with the brain and health sciences. The ushers bring a collage of images
representing the two fields to the altar.

In Durham, we remember those who are victims of sexual violence. A representative
brings forward a book by Elaine Heath, We Were the Least of These: Reading
the Bible with Survivors of Sexual Abuse, symbolizing solidarity with victims
and survivors of sexual abuse.

A child and youth member of the Congregation at Duke University Chapel bring
forward offerings collected in the children and youth Sunday School classes.

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*THE LORD’S PRAYER (number 895 in the hymnal, in unison)

SENDING FORTH

*BENEDICTION
*Recessional Hymn 553

And Are We Yet Alive

Dennis

*Choral Blessing

God Be in My Head

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

Organ Postlude

Sei gegrüsset, Jesu gütig (Var. XI)

Johann Sebastian Bach

(We Greet Thee, Kind Jesus)

(1685-1750)

Carillon

*All who are able may stand.

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The Rev. Dr. Carol Gregg

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The Rev. Dr. William Willimon

Professor of the Practice of Christian Ministry, Duke Divinity School

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Dr. Robert Parkins

Dr. Robert Horton

Presiding Minister over Memorial Chapel Communion

The Rev. Brad Troxell

Head Ushers

Dr. James Ferguson and Mr. Rick Wilfong

Carillonneur

Mr. J. Samuel Hammond

Today’s Guest Preacher

We are pleased to welcome the Rev. Dr. William Willimon as the Bishop W. Kenneth Goodson Distinguished Guest Preacher. For eight years Dr. Willimon was Bishop of the North Alabama Conference of the United Methodist Church. He was Dean of Duke Chapel from 1984-2004. Dr. Willimon is the author of over 60 books, including The Sermons of Will Willimon (Westminster John Knox). As he ended his time at Duke Chapel, he edited Sermons from Duke Chapel (Duke University Press), a collection of 75 years of Chapel sermons. The Willimons have two adult children, William and Harriet. Dr. Willimon is Professor of the Practice of Christian Ministry at Duke where he teaches courses in homiletics and pastoral theology. He is also Interim Pastor of Duke Memorial United Methodist Church in Durham.
**Chapel Announcements**

**Today’s Greenery**—Throughout the season of Lent, the Chapel greenery is provided by contributors to the Nancy Hanks Fund.

**Today’s Mission of the Month Offering**—All of today’s undesignated checks and offering will go to the Community Empowerment Fund (CEF). CEF offers savings opportunities, financial education, and relational support to individuals in Durham and Chapel Hill. Those in need (members) work one-on-one with Duke and UNC student advocates to set and reach savings goals, budget creatively, find employment, move into and maintain affordable housing, connect to community resources, and walk towards financial stability. CEF is relationship-centered, and it seeks to form a community for mutual learning and encouragement. Last year, 158 members jointly saved $90,000 towards their goals in CEF safe savings accounts, and opened 42 accounts at local credit unions. CEF relies on donations to provide asset-building programs, grow student servant-leaders, and facilitate relationships between 284 members and 200 student advocates.

**St. Luke Passion**—The Chapel Choir will perform the U.S. premiere of the brand-new St. Luke Passion by renowned Scottish composer James MacMillan on Palm Sunday, April 13, at 4:00 p.m. Dr. MacMillan has created visceral music that casts the words of Luke’s gospel in highly textured, vivid, and expressive music that captures the agony and drama of Christ’s final days on earth. The words of Christ are presented in the pure sounds of a children’s choir (the Durham’s Children Choir and the Riverside High School Sirens), while the Chapel Choir describes the action and the orchestra (the Orchestra Pro Cantores) enfolds the choirs in graphic, sonorous, and highly coloristic sounds. The concert is presented in collaboration with Duke Initiatives for Theology in the Arts (DITA) and Duke Divinity School. Tickets to the concert are $20 general admission and $5 for students. They are available at the Duke Box Office.

**Duke Chapel Event Email List**—If you would like to receive emails about upcoming events sponsored by Duke Chapel, such as concerts, dialogues, special worship services, and more, please visit www.chapel.duke.edu/contact and sign up via the link in the left-hand box.

**Sermons Available**—Copies of today’s sermon are available in the communication stands at either side of the narthex, just inside the front doors of the Chapel. A downloadable PDF, podcast, and webcast of sermons each week are available on the Chapel’s website, www.chapel.duke.edu.

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**Each Week at Duke Chapel**

**Communion and Healing** - Tuesday at 5:15 p.m. in the Memorial Chapel

**Mid-Week Prayer** - Wednesday at noon in the Memorial Chapel

**Choral Vespers** - Thursday at 5:15 p.m. in the Chancel
The Congregation at Duke University Chapel
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The following Congregation opportunities are open to all.

Christian Education—Christian education classes for all ages are held on Sunday mornings from 9:45-10:45 a.m. in the lowest level of the Westbrook Building in the Divinity School. New participants are welcome at any time. Please contact the Congregation office at 919-684-3917 or congregation@duke.edu for more information.

Second Sunday Coffee—All are invited to a time of refreshment and fellowship in the Chapel kitchen at 9:45 a.m. on Sunday, April 13. The Adult Forum class will not meet on April 13.

Stepping Stones—The Stepping Stones class for adults, which meets on Sunday mornings at 9:45 a.m in Room 0011 of the Westbrook Building, is discussing the book Give Up Something Bad for Lent by James Moore. All are welcome to join this Lenten journey.

40th Annual Crop Walk Today—Please join the fight against hunger by participating in today’s CROP Walk, either by walking the 4.8 mile route or donating to the cause. The walk will start from the Chapel steps at 2:30 p.m., then head to East Campus and Walltown before concluding at the Chapel. Because of other activities on campus, please park in the Chemistry and Circuit parking lots.

Young Adult Lunch Today—Adults in their 20s and 30s, and their families are invited to stay after worship today for lunch in the Chapel kitchen.

40s and 50s Dinner—The monthly gathering for adults in their 40s and 50s will be Friday, April 11, at 6:00 p.m., at Foster’s Market, 2694 Durham-Chapel Hill Blvd., Durham. All are welcome.

ENews—The Congregation at Duke Chapel publishes a weekly email announcing programs and events of the Congregation. If you would like to receive this weekly newsletter, please email congregation@duke.edu.

Let Us Know—If you or a loved one is in need of prayer or a pastoral visit, please let the Congregation pastors know by contacting them at 919-684-3917 or congregation@duke.edu.

Prayer Ministry—If you would like others to join you in prayer for a specific individual or concern, please email your request to chapel-prayers@duke.edu or call the Congregation office. All prayer requests will be handled respectfully and confidentially.

Supporting Each Other—The gift of a meal can be a significant encouragement to those who are ill or recuperating at home. If you would enjoy giving the gift of food and would like to be notified when there is a need in the Congregation, please inform the Congregation office at congregation@duke.edu.
**FOR WORSHIPERS & VISITORS**

† Prayer requests may be placed in the prayer box located by the Memorial Chapel.

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

† Hearing assist units and a Braille hymnal are available at the attendant’s desk at the entry way of the Chapel. See the Chapel attendant if you would like to use one of our large-print Bibles or hymnals for the worship service this morning.

**FOR FAMILIES & CHILDREN**

† Children 4 and younger are welcome to visit the nursery (capacity limited), located in the Chapel basement, beginning at 10:50 a.m. each week. Pagers are available for parents to keep with them during worship. Parents needing a place to feed, quiet, or change infants are also welcome.

† Activity Bags are available at the rear of the Chapel for children 5 or younger. Please return the bags at the end of the service. Children’s bulletins are available from the ushers.

We invite you to consider joining the Congregation at Duke Chapel. The Congregation is an interdenominational church with a variety of vibrant ministries, including discipleship and spiritual formation (for children, youth, and adults), mission and outreach, and pastoral care. If you would like to receive the weekly eNews from the Congregation or have any questions, please email congregation@duke.edu or call 919-684-3917.

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