The scripture lessons on the Fourth Sunday of Easter each year include a gospel account that emphasize Jesus as the Good Shepherd. In the passage from John, Jesus says that as the good shepherd he lays down his life for his sheep. Unlike hired hands, Jesus will not flee when danger comes, but instead he will protect his sheep. In the lesson from Acts, Peter proclaims before the rulers and elders that those who have been healed among them have been healed in the name and power of Jesus, the one from whom salvation comes. 1 John lifts up the commandment by which all of Jesus’s followers should live: the commandment to love one another in action and truth. And who is the model of this love—Jesus, the one who like a good shepherd laid his life down to show his love.
Gathering
Opening Voluntary

Allein Gott in der Höh sei Ehr, BWV 664

Johann Sebastian Bach
(1685–1750)

Greeting and Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn | See hymns at the back of the worship guide.

At the Lamb’s High Feast We Sing

*SALZBURG

*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.
Minister: Christ have mercy.
People: Christ have mercy.
Minister: Lord have mercy.
People: Lord have mercy.

The minister speaks words of assurance.

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

Minister: The Peace of the Risen Christ be with you.
People: And also with you.

Proclamation
Prayer for Illumination

Risen Christ, faithful shepherd of your Father’s sheep: send your Spirit now to teach us to hear your voice as we hear your holy word. In your name we pray, Amen.

First Lesson (Read in Spanish)

Acts 4:5–12

Second Lesson

1 John 3:16–24

*Gradual Hymn | Sing stanzas 1 through 3. See hymns at the back of the worship guide.

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

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*All rise as able
*Gospel Lesson

John 10:11–18

*Gradual Hymn | Sing stanzas 4 through 6. See hymns at the back of the worship guide.

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Sermon

Worth the Risk

Response

Solo

Psalm 23  

Colin Mawby  
(b. 1986)

The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want.  
Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose.  
Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit.  
He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name.  
If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear.  
You are there with your crook and your staff; with these you give me comfort.  
You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes.  
My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing.  
Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life.  
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever.

*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.
Offering Music (Virtual)

Jesus, So Lowly

Jesus, so lowly, Child of the earth:  
Christen me wholly, bring me new birth.  
Jesus, so lonely, weary and sad;  
teach me that only love maketh glad.  
Jesus, so broken, silent and pale;  
be this the token love will not fail.  
Jesus, victorious, mighty and free;  
teach me how glorious death is to be.

Text: Edith Williams

*Doxology

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

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*The Lord’s Prayer

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

*Benediction

*Closing Hymn | See hymns at the back of the worship guide.

The Lord’s My Shepherd

BROTHER JAMES’ AIR

Closing Voluntary

Toccata in G major

Théodore Dubois  
(1837–1924)
TODAY IN WORSHIP

PRESIDING MINISTERS
The Rev. Kathryn Lester-Bacon..............................Director of Religious Life, Duke University Chapel
The Rev. Dr. Carol Gregg..........................................Pastor, Congregation at Duke Chapel

PREACHER
The Rev. Bruce Puckett........................................Assistant Dean, Duke University Chapel

LECTOR
Mr. Jonathan Avendano........................................CRU, Chapel Scholar, Trinity ’21

MUSICIANS
Evensong Singers........................................................Virtual Choir
Dr. Philip Cave......................................................Associate Conductor for Chapel Music, Duke University Chapel
Ms. Grace Jeffrey....................................................Chapel Choir President, Trinity ’21
Mr. Christopher Jacobson........................................Chapel Organist, Duke University Chapel
Mr. Tom Gurin.............................................................Chapel Carillonneur, Duke University Chapel

ONLINE MINISTER
Mr. Matt Wright................................................Pastoral Assistant, Congregation at Duke Chapel

TODAY'S FLOWERS | The flowers for the worship service today are given by the Erlenbach Family Trust.

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. You are invited to give online at gifts.duke.edu/chapel. Please send checks to: Duke University Chapel, Box 90974, Durham, NC 27708-0974.

ENGAGE

PLANNING FOR IN-PERSON CHAPEL SERVICES IN LATE MAY | During last Sunday’s online worship service, Chapel Dean Luke A. Powery announced that the university’s leadership has approved the Chapel holding in-person worship services, memorials, and weddings as early as the second half of May. The services and ceremonies in the Chapel will adhere to public health safety protocols, including limits on the number of people attending, preregistration, masking, handwashing, social distancing, and no congregational singing. Check the Chapel website in May for more information.

VIRTUAL BACCALAUREATE SERVICE | As part of commencement weekend, the Chapel is holding a virtual Baccalaureate Service for the Class of 2021 on Friday, April 30, at 4:30 p.m. President Vincent E. Price will address the class and Chapel Assistant Dean Bruce Puckett will give a homily. The Chapel Choir and Duke Chorale will offer virtual anthems. Watch the service on the Chapel website.

ONLINE WORKSHOP ON RACIAL HEALING THIS TUESDAY | This Tuesday (April 27) at 5:30 p.m., the Chapel is holding its final online event in the “Leaning Into Justice Together” series. In “Holistic Framework for Racial Healing,” the Duke Center for Truth, Racial Healing, and Transformation will present the “nuts and bolts of racial healing work”—what it does, why it is an important part of reconciliation work, and how it is used as a justice tool for many types of communities, including at Duke and in Durham. Register here.
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YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY TOMORROW | University graduate students, other young adults, and their partners are invited to a virtual Bible study on the second and fourth Mondays of the month. Next meeting dates are April 26 and May 10 at 6:30 p.m. The conversation will focus on the book of Romans this semester. All questions and perspectives are welcome. Please contact Matt Wright for additional information.

DUKE STUDENTS, FACULTY, STAFF INVITED TO SIGN UP FOR TIME IN THE CHAPEL | By reservation only, the Chapel is open to students and to employees who are working on campus to #FindSanctuary. Duke students, faculty, and staff with and without a faith affiliation are welcome to sign up for a time to meditate, reflect, pray, contemplate, or just be in the Chapel. Ticketed time slots for students and employees are available during these hours: Tuesdays, 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.; Wednesdays, 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.; and Thursdays, 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Special additional hours for the Saturdays May 1 and May 8 are 12-noon to 4:00 p.m. Learn more and sign up at chapel.duke.edu/findsanctuary.

RECORDING OF 'JESUS AND THE DISINHERITED' CONVERSATION | In a wide-ranging conversation on April 6, Chapel Dean Luke Powery and Professor Walter Fluker from Emory’s Candler School of Theology discussed suffering, faith, the love ethic of Jesus, the legacy of theologian Howard Thurman, and more. Watch the recording of this Duke Chapel Reads conversation.

VIRTUAL BACK PEW COLLECTION | The April Virtual Back Pew collection is for The Religious Coalition for a Nonviolent Durham. Their Reconciliation and Reentry Ministry has the most immediate needs due to the increased number of Durham residents being released from prison. Here are two ways to assist in welcoming them home: 1) Donations of $25 Walmart gift cards, purchased online here, may be mailed to Drew Doll, 2802 Broad St, Durham NC 27704. 2) Make up a “Welcome Home” box following these detailed instructions. Please contact congregation@duke.edu with questions.

MIDWEEK PRAYER | Please join us for a brief service of prayer on Wednesdays at 12-noon through May 12. To participate in this prayer time, please join the Zoom call here.

ART FOR ANTIRACISM AND INCLUSION | The Fellowship Committee of the Congregation invites artists of all skill levels to develop visual symbols of antiracism and inclusion. These symbols are to represent the Congregation’s commitment to antiracism and inclusion. Art in all of the glorious mediums (such as drawing, painting, crayons, glue, glitter, playdough, fabric, photography, videos, string) are encouraged. For more information and to participate, please click on this link.

UPCOMING BOOK GROUPS | In the month of May, readers are invited to discuss Dream with Me: Race, Love, and the Struggle We Must Win by John Perkins. Perkins has worked for racial justice for decades and calls all to live out God’s redemptive love. Discussions on this book will be Wednesdays, May 5, 12, 19 and 26, at 10:00 a.m and 7:00 p.m. In June, readers will turn to a collection of writings by Howard Thurman, Moral Struggle and The Prophets. The book includes a number of Thurman’s sermons on the prophets as well as other writings. Discussions on this book will be Wednesdays, June 9, 16, 23 and 30, at 10:00 a.m and 7:00 p.m. For more additional information, please contact congregation@duke.edu.
MAY RETREAT: "POST PANDEMIC?" | Questions abound. When will the pandemic end? What can we safely do? What is the latest research? How do we take care of ourselves and each other? What have you experienced? How has faith helped? Join others in exploring these questions at a virtual retreat on Saturday, May 15 from 9:00 a.m. to 12-noon. Four experienced individuals will lead the three sections of this retreat. Dr. Bart Haynes, professor of medicine and director of the Human Vaccine Institute at Duke University School of Medicine will address current research and conditions pertaining to COVID-19. James Osborne, director of community outreach and education at Alliance Health will address overcoming the trauma of the pandemic and ways to take care of ourselves and each other. Dr. Kelsey Armstrong, podiatrist, and Peppi Browne-Armstrong, manager, are the owners of Armstrong Podiatry and Sports Health. As sharing stories is one means of encouragement, the Armstrongs will share their experience of family life during the pandemic as they juggled the demands of two jobs, two school-age children, and a medical practice. All are welcome to participate in this retreat. Please sign-up here. For questions, please contact the Congregation Office.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION SCHEDULE | The Congregation provides weekly Sunday morning Christian education from 9:45–10:45 a.m. for all ages. Classes, which are held virtually, are open to the public and new participants are welcome at any time. For more information, please contact congregation@duke.edu.

Wee Praise: Music and movement for children ages 0–3 with parents or caregivers
Godly Play: Spiritual formation for children ages 4 through 5th grade
Youth Confirmation Class: An exploration of Christian faith for students in 6th–12th grades
Adult Forum: On May 2, Nathaniel Metz, Duke Divinity School Intern for the Congregation will discuss “Jesus the Lamb of God: Animal Liberation Theology.”
Opening Hymn

At the Lamb’s High Feast We Sing

1 At the Lamb’s high feast we sing praise to our victorious King,
   who has washed us in the tide flowing from his wounded side.

2 Where the paschal blood is poured death’s dread angel sheathes the sword;
   Israel’s hosts triumphant go through the wave that drowns the foe.

3 Might-y victim from the sky, hell’s fierce powers beneath you lie;
   you have conquered in the fight, you have brought us life and light.

4 Easter triumph, Easter joy, this alone can sin destroy!
   From sin’s power, Lord, set us free, new-born souls in you to be.

Praise we Christ, whose love divine gives his sacred blood for wine,
   Father, who the crown shall give; Savior, by whose death we live;

Now no more can death appall, now no more the grave en-thrall;
   gives his body for the feast—Christ the victim, Christ the priest.

Words: Latin hymn, 17th c.; tr. Robert Campbell (1814-1868), alt., P.D.
Music (SALZBURG 7.7.7.7 D); Jakob Hintze (1622-1702); harm. after Johann S. Bach (1685-1750), P.D.
Gradual Hymn

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

1. The King of love my shepherd is, whose goodness fail - eth nev - er. I noth - ing lack if
soul he lead - eth; and where the verdant
love he sought me; and on his shoulder
Lord, be - side me; thy rod and staff my
grace be - stow - eth; and oh, what trans - port
fail - eth nev - er; Good Shep - herd, may I

2. Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, my ransomed I am his, and he is mine for - ev - er.
pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
gently laid, and home, re - joic - ing, brought me.
com - fort still, thy cross be - fore to guide me.
of de - light from thy pure chal - ice flow - eth!
sing thy praise with - in thy house for - ev - er.

3. Per - verse and fool - ish, oft I strayed, but yet in

4. In death's dark vale I fear no ill, with thee, dear

5. Thou spreadst a ta - ble in my sight; thy un - c - tion

6. And so through all the length of days, thy good - ness

WORDS: Henry W. Baker, 1868 (Ps. 23) ST. COLUMBA
MUSIC: Irish Melody; harm. from The English Hymnal, 1906 87.87
Closing Hymn

The Lord’s My Shepherd  BROTHER JAMES’ AIR

1 The Lord’s my shepherd; I’ll not want. He makes me down to lie
2 My soul he doth restore again, and me to walk doth make
3 Yea, though I walk in death’s dark vale, yet will I fear no ill;
4 My table thou hast richly spread in presence of my foes;
5 Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me,

in pastures green; he leadeth me the quiet waters by.
with in the paths of righteousness, e’en for his own name’s sake;
for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me comfort still;
my head thou dost with oil anoint, and my cup overflows.
and in God’s house for ever more my dwelling-place shall be;

He leadeth me, he leadeth me the quiet waters by.
with in the paths of righteousness, e’en for his own name’s sake.
for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me comfort still.
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