



# Duke UNIVERSITY CHAPEL

BRIDGING FAITH & LEARNING

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Sunday, April 26, 2026, 11:00 a.m.



Peter Koenig, *I Am the Gate*, 20th c.

Today's scripture lessons emphasize various themes common in the Christian life. The reading from Acts depicts the highly communal life of the early church, noting that the believers "had all things in common." A more sobering theme is covered in the reading from 1 Peter, with the author exhorting his readers to bear their suffering like Christ bore his suffering. In the Gospel of John, Jesus further describes the Christian life by calling himself a shepherd and saying that his sheep will follow him because they know his voice.

# Gathering

## Carillon

### Prelude

Prélude, Fugue et Variation, Op. 18  
I. Prélude

César Franck  
(1822–1890)

Hommage à Frescobaldi  
VII. Thème et Variations

Jean Langlais  
(1907–1991)

### Greeting and Call to Worship

#### \*Gathering Hymn | UMH 325

Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus

IN BABILONE

\*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.

\*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:

**Almighty God, you show the light of your truth to those in darkness and lead them in the way of righteousness. Give strength to all who are joined in the family of the Church, so that we may resolutely reject what erodes our faith and firmly follow what faith requires; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

First Lesson | NT page 112 in pew Bibles.

Acts 2:42–47

Lector: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

## Psalmody

Psalm 23

Colin Mawby  
(1936–2019)

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 forever and ever.

—*Psalm 23, trans. The Grail, England*

Second Lesson | NT page 219 in pew Bibles.

1 Peter 2:19–25

Lector: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

\*Gradual Hymn | UMH 138. Stanzas 1–3. All turn to face the Gospel procession.

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

ST. COLUMBA

\*Gospel Lesson | NT page 97 in pew Bibles.

John 10:1–10

Lector: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

\*Gradual Hymn | UMH 138. Stanzas 4–6.

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

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Sermon

Jubilee Forever

Response

\*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.**

## Offertory Anthem

My Shepherd Is the Living Lord

David N. Johnson  
(1922–1987)

My shepherd is the living Lord:  
now shall my needs be well supplied;  
his providence and holy word  
become my safety and my guide.

In pastures where salvation grows  
he makes me feed, he makes me rest;  
there living water gently flows,  
and all the food's divinely blest.

Surely the mercies of the Lord  
attend his household all their days;  
there will I dwell, to hear his word,  
to seek his face, and sing his praise.

—*Psalm 23, para. Isaac Watts (1674–1748)*

## \*Doxology

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**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 | All are encouraged to pray the Lord's Prayer in the language of their choosing.

**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

\*Sending Hymn | UMH 304

Easter People, Raise Your Voices

REGENT SQUARE

### Postlude

Hommage à Frescobaldi  
V. Fantaisie

Jean Langlais

### Carillon

**Memorial Chapel Communion** | Immediately following the postlude, a brief communion service will be held in Memorial Chapel; worship guides for the service are available near the entrance. Following communion, the minister will be available to offer prayers and anointing.

# TODAY IN WORSHIP

## Presiding Ministers

Ryan Wilson ..... *Senior Pastor, Congregation at Duke Chapel*  
Kenneth Moland ..... *Pastoral Assistant, Congregation at Duke Chapel*

## Preacher

Bruce Puckett ..... *Assistant Dean, Duke University Chapel*

## Lectors

Meredith Sims ..... *Chapel Scholar; Fuqua '26*  
Ella Taylor ..... *Chapel Scholar; Pratt '26*

## Musicians

Treble Ensemble from Schola Cantorum ..... *Choir*  
Zebulon Highben ..... *Director of Chapel Music, Duke University Chapel*  
Chad Fothergill ..... *Chapel Organist, Duke University Chapel*  
David Lim ..... *Organ Scholar, Duke University Chapel*  
Anna Brusoe ..... *Guest Organist; Trinity '27*  
Aaron Colston ..... *Chapel Carillonneur, Duke University Chapel*

## Head Ushers

Ken Arneson ..... *Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel*  
Pete Acker ..... *Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel*

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