



Duke
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CHAPEL

BRIDGING FAITH & LEARNING

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Sunday, May 2, 2021, 11:00 a.m.



*Eastern Orthodox icon of Jesus Christ as the True Vine
Athens, Greece, c. 16th century*

As we continue in Eastertide, the scriptures today call us to reflect on life abiding in the risen Christ. Jesus speaks to his disciples in the scripture passage from the gospel of John about fruitfulness. He uses the imagery of vines and branches to call his disciples to lives marked by the fruit of faithfulness. Jesus says that the Father is glorified when those who follow Christ bear much fruit. 1 John indicates that the most characteristic fruit of the Christian life is love. Any who abide in Christ love because God loved them first. Yet if any claim to love God but do not show the fruit of love for their sister or brother, 1 John says they are a liar. The story in Acts tells of Philip extending love beyond brothers and sisters to a person who was a stranger and foreigner. Philip followed God's prompting to share the good news of Jesus with the Ethiopian eunuch. In the end, Philip baptized the eunuch, leaving him rejoicing that he too abides in Christ.

Gathering

Opening Voluntary

Chant de Paix

Jean Langlais
(1907–1991)

Greeting and Call to Worship

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

Where Charity and Love Prevail

TWENTY-FOURTH

*Prayer of Confession and Words of Assurance | In unison.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

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, your wounds declare your love for the world and the wonder of your risen life: shape our imaginations as your word is read and give us compassion and courage to risk ourselves for those we serve, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

First Lesson

Acts 8:26–40

Second Lesson

1 John 4:7–21

*Gradual Hymn | Sing stanzas 1 and 2. See hymns at the back of the worship guide.

Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen

EARTH AND ALL STARS

*All rise as able

***Gospel Lesson**

John 15:1–8

***Gradual Hymn | Sing stanzas 3 through 5. See hymns at the back of the worship guide.**

Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen

EARTH AND ALL STARS

Sermon (Virtual)

Are You a Liar?

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.

Offering Music (Virtual)

A Sunday Morning Medley

United in Praise

***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

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

Choral Benediction (Virtual)

May You Abound in Hope

Anne Krentz Organ
(b. 1960)

May the God of hope fill you with joy.
May the God of hope fill you with peace,
with peace in believing.

By the power of the Holy Spirit may you abound in hope,
may you abound in hope.
Amen.

Text: Romans 15:13, alt.

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

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

HYFRYDOL

Closing Voluntary

Marche Héroïque

Herbert Brewer
(1865–1928)

TODAY IN WORSHIP

PRESIDING MINISTERS

The Rev. Breana van Velzen.....*Community Minister, Duke University Chapel*
The Rev. Dr. Carol Gregg.....*Pastor, Congregation at Duke Chapel*

PREACHER

The Rev. Dr. Luke A. Powery.....*Dean, Duke University Chapel*

LECTOR

Mr. Parker Betts.....*Chapel Scholar, Trinity '22*

MUSICIANS

United in Praise.....*Virtual Choir*

Duke Chapel Choir.....*Virtual Choir*

Dr. Zebulon Highben.....*Director of Chapel Music, Duke University Chapel*

Mr. Christopher Jacobson.....*Chapel Organist, Duke University Chapel*

Mr. Tom Gurin.....*Chapel Carillonneur, Duke University Chapel*

ONLINE MINISTER

The Rev. Kathryn Lester-Bacon.....*Director of Religious Life, Duke University Chapel*

TODAY'S FLOWERS | The flowers for the worship service today are given by the Gotham Fund in memory of Mary Duke Biddle Trent Semans and in honor of her former classmates: Ann Louise Reist Dunlap, Maxine Chambers Engert, and Betty Pyle Baldwin.

TODAY'S OFFERING | All of today's cash offerings and checks written to Duke University Chapel will be given to the Chapel's Development Fund for Mission and Ministry. 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 | Chapel Dean Luke A. Powery has 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](#) for updates.

VIRTUAL BACCALAUREATE SERVICE | As part of commencement weekend, the Chapel held a virtual Baccalaureate Service for the Class of 2021 on Friday. President Vincent E. Price addressed the class and Chapel Assistant Dean Bruce Puckett gave a homily. The Chapel Choir and Duke Chorale offered virtual anthems. [Watch the service](#).

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 Saturday, May 8 are 12-noon to 4:00 p.m. Learn more and sign up at chapel.duke.edu/findsanctuary.

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PATHWAYS FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION OPEN UNTIL MAY 10 | The Chapel's PathWays Fellowship not only gives participants the tools they need to discern their vocational and spiritual direction, but it also gives them opportunities for exploration, leadership, mentorship, service, and formation deeply rooted in the local community and their Christian traditions. This is a one-year residential discernment program designed for recent Duke graduates. Duke graduate students who have finished their first year may apply to be a PathWays Fellow in Residence. [Learn more and apply by May 10.](#)

MAY VIRTUAL BACK PEW COLLECTION | One activity that answers the question "what can I do to help?" is to contribute to the monthly Back Pew Collection. During May, this collection will be supporting [Families Moving Forward](#), which provides shelter, care, and education for families. Families Moving Forward currently needs: laundry detergent, bleach, dryer sheets, cleaning supplies, gas cards for residents going on job interviews, new twin or full sheet sets, new comforters, and new towels. In addition, FMF has an Amazon Wish List, [which can be found here](#). For questions, please contact congregation@duke.edu.

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. 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](#).

MEMORIAL CHAPEL COMMUNION | A brief virtual communion service will be held next Sunday, May 9, after the 11:00 a.m. worship service. The communion service will start approximately five minutes after the conclusion of the closing organ voluntary. Please have bread and wine or grape juice available. [The communion Zoom link is here](#).

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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 9, Dr. Brittany Wilson, Associate Professor of New Testament, Duke Divinity School will address “Women in the Gospel of Luke.”

HYMNS FOR MAY 2, 2021

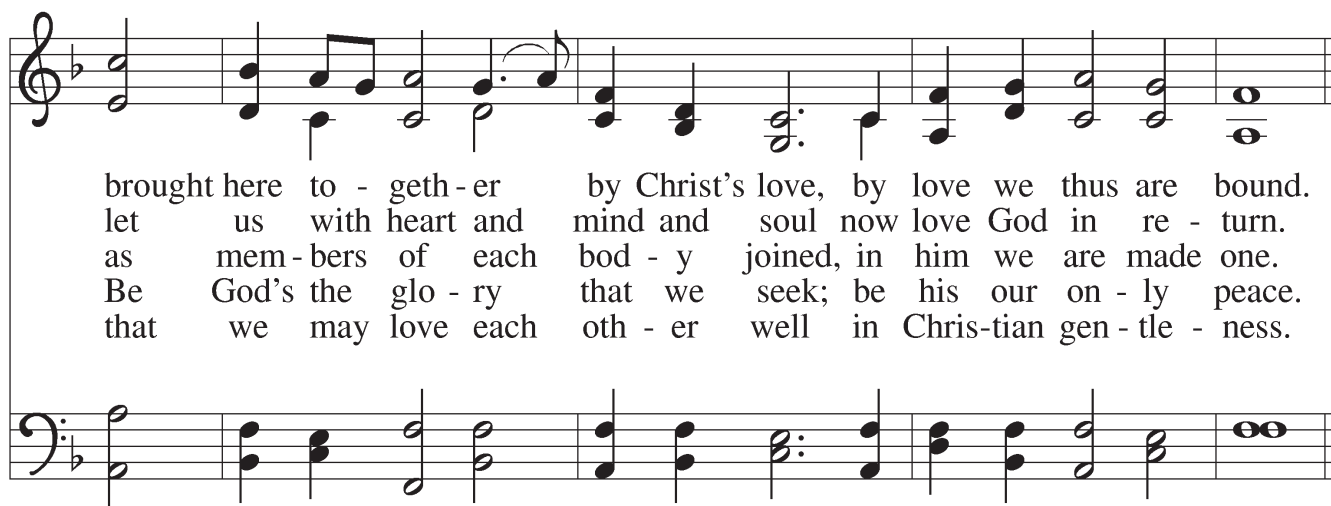
Opening Hymn

Where Charity and Love Prevail

TWENTY-FOURTH



1 Where char - i - ty and love pre - vail, there God is ev - er found;
2 With grate-ful joy and ho - ly fear, God's char - i - ty we learn;
3 Let us re - call that in our midst dwells Christ, God's ho - ly Son;
4 Let strife a - mong us be un - known; let all con - ten - tions cease.
5 Let us for - give each oth - er's faults as we our own con - fess,



brought here to - geth - er by Christ's love, by love we thus are bound.
let us with heart and mind and soul now love God in re - turn.
as mem - bers of each bod - y joined, in him we are made one.
Be God's the glo - ry that we seek; be his our on - ly peace.
that we may love each oth - er well in Chris - tian gen - tle - ness.

Text: Latin hymn, 9th cent.; tr. Omer Westendorf, 1916–1997, alt.

Music: TWENTY-FOURTH, attr. Lucius Chapin, 1760–1842

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Gradual Hymn

Alleluia! Jesus is Risen

EARTH AND ALL STARS



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is ris - en!
2 Walk - ing the way, Christ in the cen - ter
3 Je - sus the vine, we are the branch - es;
4 Weep - ing, be gone; sor - row, be si - lent:
5 Cit - y of God, Eas - ter for - ev - er,



Trum - pets re - sound - ing in glo - ri - ous light!
tell - ing the sto - ry to o - pen our eyes;
life in the Spir - it the fruit of the tree;
death put a - sun - der, and Eas - ter is bright.
gold - en Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - sus the Lamb,



Splen - dor, the Lamb, heav - en for - ev - er!
break - ing our bread, giv - ing us glo - ry:
heav - en to earth, Christ to the peo - ple,
Cher - u - bim sing: O grave, be o - pen!
riv - er of life, saints and arch - an - gels,



Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight!
Je - sus our bless - ing, our con - stant sur - prise.
gift of the fu - ture now flow - ing to
me.
Clothe us in won - der, a - dorn us in light.
sing with cre - a - tion to God the I AM!

Refrain



Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - rise.



Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!

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Closing Hymn

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

HYFRYDOL



1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heav'n, to
2 Breathe, oh, breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - 'ry
3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; let us all thy
4 Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion, pure and spot - less



earth come down! Fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy
trou - bled breast; let us all in thee in - her - it; let us
life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -
let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -



faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,
find thy prom - ised rest. Take a - way the love of sin - ning;
more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing,
ly re - stored in thee! Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,



pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with
Al - pha and O - me - ga be; end of faith, as
serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee
till in heav'n we take our place, till we cast our



thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.
its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788

Music: HYFRYDOL, Rowland H. Prichard, 1811–1887