



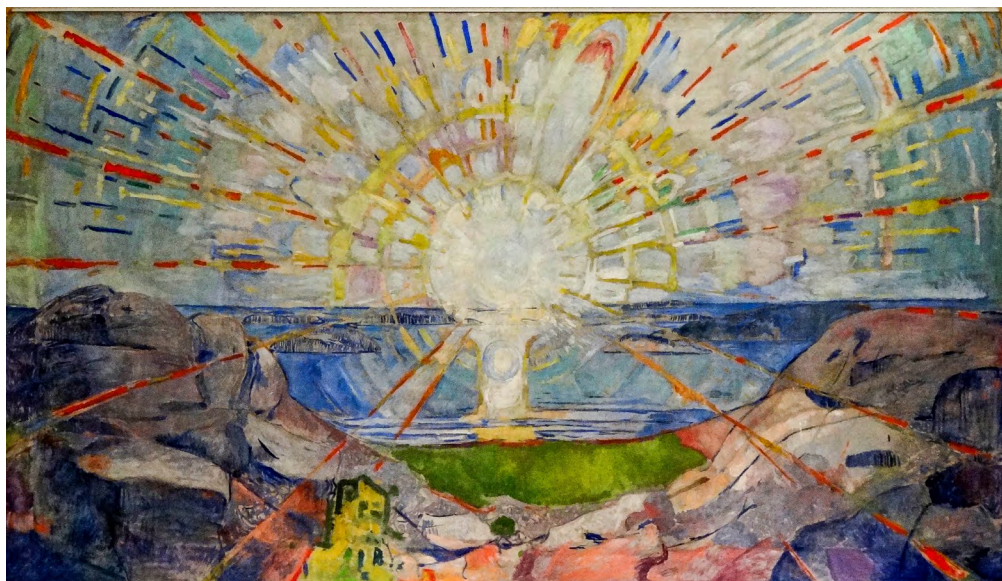
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CHAPEL

BRIDGING FAITH & LEARNING

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Sunday, May 7, 2023, 11:00 a.m.



Edvard Munch, *The Sun*, mural at Oslo University, 1912–1913.

Being a follower of Jesus is often hard. Loving our neighbor as ourselves, turning the other cheek, going the second mile, welcoming the stranger—the Gospel is not easy, so it can be natural to think we are not making it. Today’s Gospel offers reassurance that the Apostles did not find the path any easier than we do. Jesus says to them, in essence, “After all this time, do you still not know me; do you still not get it?” But does he throw up his hands in despair and give up? No, quite the opposite. He reassures them that he will do anything they ask of him—he doubles down on his love. That is the nature of our Lord and Savior; he is always waiting for us to call out to him in his name, and he will be there, ready to answer.

Gathering

Carillon

Opening Voluntary

Praeludium in d, BuxWV 140

Dieterich Buxtehude
(c. 1637–1707)

Greeting and Call to Worship

*Processional Hymn | UMH 157

Jesus Shall Reign

DUKE STREET

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

Most merciful God, we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

The minister speaks words of assurance.

*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 | In unison:

Almighty and majestic God, you have revealed to the nations your saving power and filled all ages with the words of a new song. As we hear the truth proclaimed in your word, open our hearts to the echo of that hymn, and give us voices to sing your praise throughout this joyous Easter season. Amen.

*All rise as able

First Lesson | Pages 118 in pew Bibles.

Acts 7:55–60

Lector: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalmody

In manus tuas, Domine

Sebastiano Cherici
(1647–1704)

In manus tuas, Domine,
commendo spiritum meum.
Redemisti nos, Domine,
Deus veritatis.
Gloria Patri, et Filio,
et Spiritu Sancto.
Custodi nos, Domine,
ut pupilam oculi.
Sub umbra alarum tuarum
protege nos.

*Into your hands, Lord
I commend my spirit.
You have redeemed us, O Lord,
God of truth.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit.
Keep us, Lord,
as the apple of your eye.
Protect us
under the shadow of your wings.*

—Psalm 31:5; Psalm 17:8

*Gradual Hymn | UMH 325. Stanzas 1 and 2. All turn to face the Gospel Procession.

Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus

IN BABILONE

*Gospel Lesson | Pages 102–103 in pew Bibles.

John 14:1–14

Lector: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

*Gradual Hymn | UMH 325. Stanzas 3 and 4.

Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus

IN BABILONE

Sermon

The True Way of Life

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

Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life

Robert Evans

Come, my way, my truth, my life:
such a way as gives us breath;
such a truth as ends all strife;
such a life that killeth death.

Come, my light, my feast, my strength:
such a light as shows a feast;
such a feast as mends in length;
such a strength as makes his guest.

Come, my joy, my love, my heart:
such a joy as none can move;
such a love as none can part;
such a heart as joys in love.

—*George Herbert (1593–1633)*

*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 and Holy Communion

***The Great Thanksgiving** | Musical Setting D, found on page 23 in the hymnal.

***The Lord's Prayer** | All are encouraged to pray the Lord's Prayer in the language of their choosing. The text is found on page 895 at the back of the hymnal.

Sharing of the Bread and Wine | All who love Christ, earnestly repent of their sins, and seek to be at peace with God and neighbor are invited to receive Communion. Wine is used for Communion. If you would prefer to receive grape juice, it is available upon request at a Communion station on the pulpit side in the front and the back of the Chapel. A gluten-free option is available from a server positioned by Memorial Chapel and a server positioned opposite the attendant's desk near the narthex. If you will not receive Communion, you are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest.

Communion Music

Benedictus

Alec Rowley
(1892–1958)

***Post-Communion Prayer**

Sending Forth

***Benediction**

***Closing Hymn** | See hymn printed on the insert.

Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen

EARTH AND ALL STARS

Closing Voluntary

Improvisation

EARTH AND ALL STARS

“... trumpets resounding in glorious light ...”
—*Herbert Brokering, in Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen*

Carillon

TODAY IN WORSHIP

Presiding Ministers

Mitchell Eithun *Intern for Worship and Student Engagement, Duke University Chapel;
Divinity '25*
Luke A. Powery *Dean, Duke University Chapel*

Preacher

Curtis Freeman *Research Professor of Theology and Baptist Studies;
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Christian Wilson *Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel*

Musicians

Members of the Duke Chapel Schola Cantorum *Choir*
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Daniel Jacky *Organ Scholar, Duke University Chapel*
Mitchell Eithun *Chapel Carillonneur, Duke University Chapel*

Head Usher

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Today's Guest Preacher | We welcome as our Young Guest Preacher the Rev. Dr. Curtis W. Freeman. He is a research professor of theology and Baptist studies and director of the Baptist House of Studies at Duke Divinity School. Rev. Dr. Freeman's research and teaching explore areas of Free Church theology. His most recent book is *Pilgrim Letters: Instruction in the Basic Teaching of Christ*, and his book *Pilgrim Journey: Instruction in the Mystery of the Gospel* is set for publication in fall 2023. His earlier books include *Undomesticated Dissent: Democracy and the Public Virtue of Religious Nonconformity*, *Contesting Catholicity: Theology for Other Baptists*, *A Company of Women Preachers: Baptist Prophetesses in Seventeenth-Century England*, and *Baptist Roots: A Reader in the Theology of a Christian People*. He is an ordained Baptist minister, serves as editor of the *American Baptist Quarterly*, and serves on the Baptist World Alliance Commission on Doctrine and Christian Unity.

Today's Flowers | The flowers for the worship service today are given to the glory of God by the Nan and Taylor Cole Chapel Endowment.

Today's Offering | All of today's checks written to Duke University Chapel will be used to support the Chapel's Development Fund for Mission and Ministry. Send checks to: Duke University Chapel, Box 90974, Durham, NC 27708-0974. Give online at chapel.duke.edu/offering.

ENGAGE

University Prayer of Thanksgiving | Each week, we focus on a different campus unit, school, or department for whom to give thanks to God for their service and contributions to the wider university community and beyond. Today, we give thanks for the Nasher Museum of Art.

Restrooms in Divinity School | Public restrooms are available in the Divinity School. To access them, exit the Chapel through the main front doors and enter the Divinity School. Restrooms are along the hallway in the Divinity School.

Tour After the Service | Learn about the history, architecture, and life of Duke Chapel on a tour immediately following the service. The tour is free and lasts about forty-five minutes. Meet the docent outside in front of the Chapel.

Commencement Weekend at Duke Chapel | During commencement weekend, May 12–14, the Chapel will host eight graduation and baccalaureate ceremonies. Also, three Religious Life groups will hold additional baccalaureate services at other campus locations. Find more event information and livestream links at chapel.duke.edu/commencement.

No Regular Sunday Service on Commencement Weekend | Duke Chapel will not hold a regular Sunday morning worship service on Commencement Weekend (May 14). Those who are not participating in graduation ceremonies are invited to join the Congregation at Duke Chapel for a worship service on Sunday, May 14, at 11:00 a.m. at the Forest at Duke, which is located at 2701 Pickett Rd.

Bach Cantata Concert Today | J.S. Bach's church cantatas are often considered the pinnacle of German sacred music. The final concert in our Bach cantata series is today at 5:00 p.m. It is preceded by a pre-concert lecture at 4:00 p.m. in Goodson Chapel located in Duke Divinity School. Admission is free.

ACCESSIBILITY

Large-print worship guides are available at the visitor relations desk. Hearing assistance units are available at the AV console in the rear of the Chapel. Please let us know if you need other accommodations by approaching a minister or usher, or email us at dukechapel@duke.edu.

LET'S KEEP IN TOUCH

We would like to get to know you. What are your questions? What is your story? Take a moment to fill out a very brief form and a Chapel minister or other staff member will contact you soon. Scan the QR code or visit chapel.duke.edu/connect.



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Please email congregation@duke.edu to receive the weekly eNews.

CLOSING HYMN | Alleluia! Jesus is Risen



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!

ENGAGE

Back Pew Collection | Donations of new sheet sets, pillowcases, towels, detergent, and cleaning supplies for Families Moving Forward may be placed on the back pew today and on Sunday, May 21. Families Moving Forward provides temporary shelter for neighboring families.

Young Adult Gatherings Tomorrow | University graduate students, other young adults, and their partners are invited to dinner and Bible study tomorrow, Monday, May 8, at 6:30 p.m. in the Chapel kitchen, located in the lower level of the Chapel. Come for a light supper and good conversation. Participants will discuss the Letter to the Romans. Please contact laura.wilson@duke.edu for additional information.

Ascension Day Evensong Service | The Chapel will mark Ascension Day with a special Choral Evensong service on Thursday, May 18, at 7:00 p.m. The music will be led by a combined choir composed of the Chapel's Evensong Singers and Vespers Ensemble. The service will include scripture readings, prayers, and music of the English cathedral tradition.

Lunch on May 21 | All are invited to stay after worship Sunday, May 21, to enjoy lunch with other worshipers in the Brodhead Center. The Brodhead Center, which is a short walk from the Chapel, provides a wide array of dining options. Participants will purchase their own lunch and then gather in the dining area by The Skillet, on the main floor, to share a time of fellowship and food. Volunteers will be holding signs after worship to provide directions.

Shelter Dinner | The Congregation serves dinner at Urban Ministries of Durham once a month, rotating between the second Sunday and fourth Wednesday. Donated lasagnas are needed for the monthly dinner to help feed our unsheltered neighbors. To volunteer to bring two party-sized Stouffer's lasagnas (24 servings) on Sunday, May 14, or a future date, please contact congregation@duke.edu.

Sunday Morning Classes | There will be no classes on May 14. Classes will resume on May 21. Sunday morning Christian Education classes are available for all ages from 9:45–10:45 a.m., with coffee and refreshments provided at 9:30 a.m. Classes meet in the lowest level of the Westbrook building. New participants are welcome at any time. Please contact congregation@duke.edu for additional information.