



Duke  
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CHAPEL

BRIDGING FAITH & LEARNING

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Sunday, May 22, 2022, 11:00 a.m.



Eric Gill, *Agnus Dei, The Lamb of God*, 1920.

The scripture lessons today continue, in the pattern of Eastertide, to explore the theme of resurrection from various perspectives. In Revelation, John describes his vision of the heavenly city of Jerusalem, as God makes heaven and earth anew. The river of the water of life and the tree of life witness to the abundance of the Lord's new creation, as the holy light of God illuminates all eternity. Those written in the book of life will join continually in the worship of Jesus, the Lamb of God, as the nations find their healing through him. In the gospel lesson from John, Jesus offers his disciples a peace the world cannot give and the promise of the Holy Spirit that will guide and comfort them when he is no longer physically present with them. The promise of the present help of the Spirit and vision of the eternal praise of Jesus provides strength for the present and purpose for the future for all who follow Jesus today.

# Gathering

## Opening Voluntary

*Allein Gott in der Höh sei Ehr*, BWV 662

Johann Sebastian Bach

*Trio Super: Herr Jesu Christ, dich zu uns wend*, BWV 655

(1685–1750)

## Greeting and Call to Worship

Minister: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

### \*Processional Hymn 79 | Stanzas 1–5

Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

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### \*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 the risen Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

## Proclamation

Prayer for Illumination | In unison:

**Risen Christ, by the lakeside you renewed your call to your disciples: renew your call to us this day, help your Church to obey your command, and draw the nations to the fire of your love, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

First Lesson | NT page 244–245 in pew Bibles.

Revelation 21:10, 22–22:5

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

\*Gradual Hymn 103 | Stanzas 1 and 2. All turn and face the Gospel Procession.

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

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\*Gospel Lesson | NT pages 103 in pew Bibles.

John 14:23–29

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

\*Gradual Hymn 103 | Stanzas 3 and 4

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Sermon

The Face of God

Response

Anthem

At the River

arr. Aaron Copland  
(1900–1990)

Shall we gather by the river,  
Where bright angels feet have trod,  
With its crystal tide forever  
Flowing by the throne of God.

Yes, we'll gather by the river,  
The beautiful, the beautiful river,  
Gather with the saints by the river  
That flows by the throne of God.

\*All rise as able

Soon we'll reach the shining river,  
Soon our pilgrimage will cease,  
Soon our happy hearts will quiver  
With the melody of peace.

Yes, we'll gather by the river,  
The beautiful, the beautiful river,  
Gather with the saints by the river  
That flows by the throne of God.

—Robert Lowry (1826–1899)

\*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

I Know That My Redeemer Liveth, from *Messiah*

George Frideric Handel  
(1685–1759)

I know that my Redeemer liveth,  
and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth.  
And though worms destroy this body,  
yet in my flesh shall I see God.  
For now is Christ risen from the dead,  
the first fruits of them that sleep.

—*Job 19:25–26; 1 Corinthians 15:20*

## \*Doxology

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**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

\*Closing Hymn 428

For the Healing of the Nations

CWM RHONDDA

Closing Voluntary

Toccatina in B minor

Eugène Gigout  
(1844–1925)

## TODAY IN WORSHIP

### Presiding Ministers

Luke A. Powery . . . . . *Dean, Duke University Chapel*

Racquel C. N. Gill . . . . . *Minister for Intercultural Engagement, Duke University Chapel*

### Preacher

Carol Gregg . . . . . *Pastor, Congregation at Duke Chapel*

### Lectors

Walker Robinson . . . . . *Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel;*  
*Vice Chair, Duke Chapel National Advisory Board Member*

Christian Wilson . . . . . *Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel*

### Musicians

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

Alissa Roca . . . . . *Soloist*

### Head Usher

James Ferguson . . . . . *Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel*

**Today's Offering** | Today's checks written to Duke University Chapel will support human service organizations in the greater Durham area. Send checks to: Duke University Chapel, Box 90974, Durham, NC 27708-0974. Give online at [chapel.duke.edu/offering](http://chapel.duke.edu/offering).

**Today's Flowers** | Flowers for today's worship service are provided by the generosity of the Nancy Hanks Fund.

**Accessibility** | Large print hymnals and worship guides are available at the visitor relations desk. Hearing assistance units are available at the AV console in the rear of the Chapel.

**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 and beyond. This morning we give thanks for administrative professionals at Duke.

## ENGAGE

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**Restrooms in Divinity School** | Public restrooms are available in the Divinity School. To access them, exit the Chapel through the main front doors, turn to the left, 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.

**Ascension Day Evensong Service This Thursday** | In conjunction with the Royal School of Church Music in America, we will hold a special Choral Evensong service this Thursday at 7:00 p.m. to mark Ascension Day. Rich with music spanning from the Renaissance to the present, Choral Evensong features sung prayers, psalms, and canticles. Distinct from the noisy world around us, this service offers a place for quiet contemplation.

**Young Adult Bible Study** | 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, focusing on the Gospel of Luke. The next gathering will be tomorrow, May 23, at 6:30 p.m. All questions and perspectives are welcome. Please contact [matthew.r.wright@duke.edu](mailto:matthew.r.wright@duke.edu) for additional information.

**Saturday Service Project** | Volunteers are needed on Saturday, June 4 from 9:00 a.m. to 12-noon to work in the Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina located at 2700 Angier Avenue, Suite A, Durham. Registration is requested by the Food Bank. For more information, please contact [congregation@duke.edu](mailto:congregation@duke.edu).

**The St. Olaf Choir Concert June 5** | The St. Olaf Choir, conducted by Anton Armstrong, will perform at Duke Chapel on Sunday, June 5, at 8:00 p.m. Comprising seventy-five mixed voices, the St. Olaf Choir is hailed as one of the nation's premier a cappella ensembles, renowned for its artistry and beauty of sound. Purchase tickets from the Duke Box Office at [tickets.duke.edu](https://tickets.duke.edu).

**Christian Education Classes** | The summer schedule for Sunday morning Christian Education classes will begin on June 5. New participants are welcome at any time. Please contact [congregation@duke.edu](mailto:congregation@duke.edu) for more information. There will be no classes on Sunday, May 29.

## LET'S KEEP IN TOUCH

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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](https://chapel.duke.edu/connect).



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