Trinity Sunday is the first of the many Sundays of Ordinary Time that follow Pentecost and eventually lead up to Advent. Today we celebrate the doctrine of the Holy Trinity—God as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We celebrate the holiness of the triune God, and seek to know how that holiness should take shape among the people of God. In this morning’s scripture reading from John, Jesus confounds Nicodemus by teaching that all those who seek to enter the Kingdom of God must be born again, of the Spirit. For, as Paul writes, “When we cry, ‘Abba! Father!’ it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ.”
Gathering

Opening Voluntary

Fugue in E-flat major, BWV 552/ii

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

Greeting and Call to Worship

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

Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

*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 Christ be with you.
People: And also with you.

Proclamation

Prayer for Illumination

Almighty and eternal God, you have revealed yourself as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, and live and reign in the perfect unity of love: come and illuminate your holy word now; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Psalm

Psalm 29

New Testament Lesson

Romans 8:12–17

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

Holy, Holy, Holy

*All rise as able
*Gospel Lesson

John 3:1–17

*Gradual Hymn | Sing stanzas 3 and 4. See hymns at the back of the worship guide.

Holy, Holy, Holy

Sermon

All Creation Sings

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

Trinitie Sunday

Lord, who hast formed me out of mud,
And hast redeemed me through thy blood,
And sanctified me to do good;
Purge all my sins done heretofore:
For I confess my heavy score,
And I will strive to sin no more.
Enrich my heart, mouth, hands in me,
With faith, with hope, with charity;
That I may run, rise, rest with thee.

Text: George Herbert (1593–1633)
*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.

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Closing Voluntary

Allegro Moderato, from Fantasie in E-flat major

Camille Saint-Saëns (1835–1921)
TODAY’S FLOWERS | The flowers for the worship service today are given by the Elizabeth Lucina Gotham Memorial Chapel Endowment.

TODAY’S OFFERING | All of today’s cash offerings and checks written to Duke University Chapel will be used for an emergency fund for disaster and recovery support for communities affected by natural disasters and humanitarian crises. You are invited to give online at chapel.duke.edu/offering. Please send checks to: Duke University Chapel, Box 90974, Durham, NC 27708-0974.

TODAY’S GUEST PREACHER | Today’s Boyles Guest Preacher is the Rev. Megan Pardue. Rev. Pardue is an ordained elder in the Church of the Nazarene, and the senior pastor at Refuge in Durham, North Carolina. A native of Portland, Oregon, she attended Southern Nazarene University, earning a Bachelor of Arts in Theology in Ministry. While in college, she spent the summer of 2007 as an exchange student at Africa Nazarene University in Nairobi, Kenya. After a year teaching English in South Korea, she attended Duke Divinity School, graduating in 2012 with a Master of Divinity. In addition to pastoring, Rev. Pardue works as a teaching assistant in the Department of Homiletics at Duke Divinity School.

SUMMER SCRIPTURE LESSONS | As Christians who worship in a liturgical tradition, we follow the Revised Common Lectionary for our scripture texts throughout the year. This three-year cycle of scriptures follows the Christian calendar, and passages are selected to match the season of the Church year and the themes present therein. This summer during Ordinary Time, we will follow a different selection of texts. Together, we will read several books of the Minor Prophets as our primary scripture lessons in our Sunday services, and our preachers will be preaching from them throughout the summer. Reading and listening together will allow our community to learn from scripture passages that we do not regularly encounter through the lectionary in our worship services and will open us to receive from a broader range of the scriptural canon; this approach is called lectio continua. We hope you will join us through the summer as we read, study, and learn from these books. For June 6, we invite you to read Amos 1 and 2.
**REGISTER TO ATTEND IN-PERSON SUNDAY SERVICES** | The Chapel is holding limited, in-person worship services Sundays at 11:00 a.m. Preregistration online is required to attend a service. Those registering to attend must adhere to public health safety protocols for campus visitors—including masking when indoors, handwashing, maintaining physical distance, and staying home when sick—as well as protocols specific to the services, such as providing proof of registration, no congregational singing, and following foot traffic patterns inside the Chapel. Preregistration will become available on the Chapel website each Tuesday at 12-noon for the following Sunday’s service. Up to 100 people may register for each service. Once registration for a service is full, other congregants will be invited to join in worship online. We will continue to livestream and broadcast services on our website, YouTube, Facebook, WDNC Radio 620 AM, and the Duke Hospital television network channel 12. Learn more and watch a video about what to expect at in-person services.

**AUDIO-VISUAL EXHIBITION AT THE CHAPEL HIGHLIGHTS BLACK WOMEN PASTORS** | As the recipient of the Chapel’s C. Eric Lincoln Theology and Arts Fellowship this year, Duke Divinity School student Kaiya Jennings is presenting an exhibition of audio recordings and photography documenting the testimonies of Black women pastors. The exhibition, *On the Shoulders of Our Sisters!*, is being presented in the Chapel nave and on the Chapel’s website. Learn more about how to view it in-person and online at chapel.duke.edu/art.

**PARKING IN BRYAN CENTER GARAGE FREE UNTIL 1:00 P.M.** | There is no charge for parking in the Bryan Center Garage on Sunday morning as long as you leave the deck by 1:00 p.m. When you leave, insert into the pay machine the ticket you received when you entered the garage. ADA parking is available at no charge in the Bryan Center Surface Lot, which is the lot between the garage and the Chapel.

**GATHERING OUTDOORS IN FRONT** | Worshipers who would like to greet the pastors or visit with each other are invited to gather outdoors in front of the Chapel after worship concludes.

**SACRED MUSIC VIRTUAL COURSE THIS SUMMER** | In partnership with the Chapel and the Washington National Cathedral, the Royal School of Church Music in America is offering a virtual training course this summer titled “The Spirit’s Tether.” The online course, for children and adults, runs from July 15 to 18 and will open with a hymn festival from the Chapel. It will feature daily services, rehearsals, seminars, and opportunities for fellowship with fellow choristers, organists, and choral directors from across the country. Learn more and register.

**CARILLON LIVESTREAM** | You are invited to participate virtually in an ongoing campus tradition. Listen live online to the playing of the Chapel’s carillon bells weekdays at 5:00 p.m. on the Duke Chapel Facebook page at facebook.com/dukechapel.

**FROM THE PREACHING ARCHIVES** | In a new post to the Living Tradition online preaching resource, Duke Divinity School Professor Curtis Freeman commends a Duke Chapel archival sermon titled *The God of This Twilight* by the late Baptist pastor and professor Carlyle Marney. Dr. Freeman says: “When the moral and religious certainties that once seemed so clear grow dim in the twilight, the voice of Carlyle Marney can still be heard, calling us to put our trust in a God who transcends every false idol and to move with hope toward the light of the coming day.” Listen to the sermon and explore more voices on the Living Tradition site.
SIGN UP FOR TIME IN THE CHAPEL | Members of the public, as well as Duke students and employees, may sign up to spend time in the Chapel to meditate, reflect, pray, contemplate, or just be. These time slots are available: 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. Learn more and register.

COMMUNITY MINISTRY ADAPTS DURING PANDEMIC | A new Working@Duke story describes how the “Faith Team” ministry adapted during the pandemic. A collaboration among the Chapel, The Congregation at Duke University Chapel, and the Religious Coalition for a Nonviolent Durham, the ministry supports people leaving prison and reentering the community. Read the article. To learn how to get involved, contact the Chapel’s community minister, the Rev. Breana van Velzen.

YOUTH BIBLE STUDY | A virtual Bible study for youth grades 6–12 will begin on Sunday, June 13, at 9:45 a.m. The focus will be on the Book of Acts throughout the summer. All youth are welcome to attend. For more information, please contact Matt Wright.

BIBLE STUDY FOR ADULTS | Christian education for all ages will continue through the summer months at 9:45 a.m. on Sunday mornings. A Bible study for adults focusing on the Minor Prophets will begin on Sunday, June 6, from 9:45–10:45 a.m. This class will be held by Zoom and all are welcome to attend. For more information, contact congregation@duke.edu.

JUNE BOOK GROUPS | During the month of June, readers are invited to discuss Moral Struggle and the Prophets by Howard Thurman. This collection of sermons will complement the Chapel’s summer sermon series on the Minor Prophets. Discussions on this book will be on Wednesdays in June at 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. For detailed information please contact the Congregation office.

BACK PEW COLLECTION | Founded in 1994, the South Eastern Efforts Developing Sustainable Spaces, or SEEDS is a two-acre urban garden and kitchen classroom in the heart of Durham. SEEDS develops the capacity of young people to respect life, the earth, and each other. The organization currently welcomes donations of individually wrapped bags or boxes of Oreo cookies, individually boxed raisins, inexpensive windchimes, and inexpensive magnifying glasses. Please contact SEEDS at 919-683-1197 to arrange for delivery. SEEDS also welcomes donations through online giving.

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
Adult Forum: On June 6, Dr. Stephen Chapman will give an introduction to the Minor Prophets.
Opening Hymn

Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

1. Holy God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we bow before you;
2. Hark, the celestial hymn angel choirs above are raising;
3. Lo! the apostolic train join your sacred name to hallow;
4. Holy Father, Holy Son, Holy Spirit, Three we name you;

all on earth your scepter claim, all in heav’n above adore you.
cherubim and seraphim in unceasing chorus praising,
prophets swell the glad refrain, and the white-robed martyrs follow;
while in essence only One, undivided God we claim you,

Infinite your vast domain, everlasting is your reign.
fill the heav’ns with sweet accord: “Holy, holy, holy Lord.”
and from morn to set of sun, through the church the song goes on.
and adoring bend the knee, while we sing this mystery.

Based on Te Deum, ca. 4th cent.
Attr. to Ignace Franz, ca. 1774
Tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1853; alt. 1990; mod.

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Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774
Gradual Hymn

Holy, Holy, Holy

1. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
2. Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
3. Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
4. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea.

Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,

God in three persons, blessed Trinity!
which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.
perfect in power, in love and purity.
God in three persons, blessed Trinity.

WORDS: Reginald Heber, 1826 (Rev. 4:8-11)
MUSIC: John B. Dykes, 1861

NICAEA
Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

1 Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
   In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
   Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
   In all life thou livest, the true life of all.

2 Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
   Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
   Thy justice, like mountains high soaring above;
   We blossom and flourish like leaves on the tree,

3 To all life thou givest, to both great and small.
   Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.
   Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.
   Then wither and perish; but naught changeth thee.

4 Thou reignest in glory; thou dwellest in light.
   All might y, victorious, thy great name we praise.
   'Tis only the splendor of light hideth thee!
   Text: Walter Chalmers Smith, 1867, alt.
   Music: Welsh folk melody; arr. Caniarau y Cysegr, 1839

The opening line of this hymn was inspired by the three divine attributes listed in 1 Timothy 1:17 (King James Version), and it continues by considering how God's life exceeds our own finite existence. The text is well set to a Welsh melody shaped by many three-note units.