Forty days after Easter, the Church celebrates the Ascension of Jesus as described in Acts, Luke, and Mark. Today we mark this celebration. In many traditions, the Feast of the Ascension is one of the holiest and most celebrated moments in the liturgical year; it is also among the most ancient of Christian traditions. The Church holds that the day of Ascension is a day for celebration because all the work that Jesus came to do has been accomplished, and he returns to the right hand of God the Father.
The congregation is asked to remain silent during the prelude as a time of prayer and meditation. The Chapel welcomes families with children. If at any time during the service your child needs a place for active play, please know there is a nursery in the Chapel basement.

GATHERING

CHORAL PRELUDE
Bonse Aba   Traditional Zambian Song
Allan E. Naplan

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 312
Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise

*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.

*PEACE
(All exchange signs and words of God’s peace.)

PROCLAMATION

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (in unison)
Risen Christ, you have raised our human nature to the throne of heaven: as we are formed by your word, help us to seek and serve you, that we may join you at the Father’s side, where you reign with the Spirit in glory, now and for ever. Amen.

FIRST LESSON—Acts 1:6-14 (NT page 110 in the pew Bible)
Lector: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

*GRADUAL HYMN 166 (stanzas 1-2)
All Praise to Thee, for Thou, O King Divine
(All turn and face the Gospel Procession.)

*GOSPEL LESSON—John 17:1-11 (NT page 105)
Lector: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.
Gradual Hymn 166 (stanzas 3-5)
All Praise to Thee, for Thou, O King Divine

Sine nomine

Sermon—Can I Get a Witness?

Response

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: “Hear our prayer.”)
This morning we give thanks for the Nasher Museum of Art. We celebrate the ways its exhibitions continue to enlighten and enrich both the University and the community.

In Durham we give thanks for those who maintain parks and preserve greenspace for recreation and play in our community.

Offertory Anthem
Shine On Me arr. Rollo A. Dilworth
(b.1970)
Shine on me. I wonder if the lighthouse will shine on me. Oh, shine on me. Is the light shinin’ above? Is it shinin’ above? Is it shinin’ above in the heavens for me? I’m wonderin’, wonderin’, wonderin’ if there’s a light that is shinin’ above in the heavens for me. Oh, is a light shinin’ above? Is it shinin’ above in the heavens for me? I’m wonderin’, wonderin’, wonderin’ if there’s a light that will shine on me. Will it shine on me!

*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 Communion

*The Great Thanksgiving
(Musical Setting A, found on page 17 in the hymnal)

*The Lord’s Prayer (number 895 in the hymnal, in unison)

Sharing of the Bread and Wine
All those who have become members of Christ’s body through baptism and seek to be united with God and at peace with their 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 the communion station near the main entrance of the Chapel, on the pulpit side. If you have a gluten allergy, those serving communion nearest to the Memorial Chapel will be ready to serve you gluten-free wafers and wine on request. You may also come forward to receive a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest.

If you would like to receive individual anointing with oil and prayers for healing, ministers will be in the Memorial Chapel during communion.

**Music During Distribution**

**Hymn 631 (sung by all)**

O Food to Pilgrims Given  
O welt, ich muss dich lassen

**Communion Anthem**

Now Thank We All Our God  
arr. Michael Rosewall

Now thank we all our God, with hearts and hands and voices,  
Who wondrous things has done, in whom this world rejoices;  
Who from our mothers’ arms has blessed us on our way  
With countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

Oh may this bounteous God through all our lives be near us,  
With ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;  
And keep us all in grace, and guide us when perplexed,  
And free us from all harm in this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,  
The Son, and Spirit blest, who reign in highest heaven,  
The one eternal God, whom earth and heav’n adore;  
For thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore!

*Prayer After Communion*

**Sending Forth**

*Benediction*

*Recessional Hymn 325*

Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus  
in Babylone

**Postlude**

Allegro molto (from Fantaisie in E-flat Major)  
Camille Saint-Saëns  
(1835-1921)

**Carillon**

*All who are able may stand.*
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The Rev. Bruce Puckett

Preacher
The Rev. Dr. Luke Powery

Lectors
Ms. Lucy Worth
Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel
Mr. Jack McCallus
Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel

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Ms. Tami Fields, Artistic Director and Founder
Mr. Jordan Hart, Accompanist

Soloists
Amy Rainwater
Olivia Heitman

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Minister of Anointing
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The Rev. Bruce Puckett

Carillonneur
Mr. J. Samuel Hammond

Head Ushers
Dr. James Ferguson and Mr. Rick Wilfong

UPCOMING PREACHING SCHEDULE

June 8  The Rev. Dr. Samuel Wells

June 15 The Rev. Dr. Luke Powery

June 22 The Rev. Dr. Eboni Marshall Turman
         Assistant Research Professor of Black Church Studies;
         Director of the Office of Black Church Studies,
         Duke Divinity School

June 29 The Rev. Dr. Luke Powery
CHAPEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY’S FLOWERS—The flowers today are given to the glory of God by the Erlenbach Family Trust.

TODAY’S OFFERING—All of today’s cash offerings and undesignated checks will be used for an emergency fund for disaster and recovery support for communities in our world that are affected by unexpected and sudden disaster (natural or otherwise). Your generosity enables the Chapel to respond quickly with financial support in times of acute crisis.

TODAY’S GUEST CHOIR—The Gate City Young Singers is a community chorus in Greensboro, NC, now beginning its fourth singing season. It is comprised of boys and girls from public, private, and home schools. The choir sings at local community and civic events, festivals, churches, and performs two concerts a year. This summer GCYS has been invited to sing at the Crescent City Choir Festival in New Orleans.

ORGAN RECITAL—On Wednesday, June 4, at 8:00 p.m., University Organist Robert Parkins, assisted by Kristen Blackman, will present a program of Spanish organ music on the Brombaugh and Flentrop organs in Duke Chapel. The recital is part of a weeklong workshop at Duke sponsored by FIMTE—the International Festival of Spanish Keyboard Music—and it is open to the public free of charge.

CHORAL CONCERT WITH SAM WELLS—The 20-voice Choir of St. Martin-in-the-Fields (London), conducted by Andrew Earis, will present a concert entitled “Resurrection, Ascension, and Pentecost” with the Rev. Dr. Samuel Wells on Monday, June 9, at 8:00 p.m. at Duke Chapel as part of their American tour. The concert will feature Renaissance and 19th- and 20th-century English works by James MacMillan, Herbert Howells, Kenneth Leighton, and others. Sam Wells will offer insights and commentary about the music and the related seasons of the church year. The choir will be assisted by the Vocal Arts Ensemble of Durham. Admission is free.

BECOME A FRIEND OF DUKE CHAPEL

Enjoy a meaningful, ongoing relationship with Duke Chapel by becoming a Friend of the Chapel. If you are interested in contributing to the Chapel’s mission and ministry, fill out this form and place it in the offering plate. We will then send you more information about the Friends. Please contact Beth Gettys Sturkey, Director of Development, at 919-684-5351 or beth.sturkey@duke.edu for more information.

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The following Congregation opportunities are open to all.

**Summer Sunday Education**—Weekly Christian education for all ages is available throughout the summer starting next week, June 8.
- Wee Praise, for our youngest members, will meet weekly in Westbrook Room 0012.
- Children and Youth will sing together forming a summer choir in Westbrook Room 0014.
- Adults will reflect on current events in light of scripture using the *Wired Word* curriculum meeting in Westbrook Room 0011.

**Annual Business Meeting and Lunch**—The Congregation’s annual business meeting will be Sunday, June 8, at 1:00 p.m., in Goodson Chapel. A lasagna lunch will be offered in the Divinity School Café prior to the meeting for a cost of $10 per adult. Please contact the congregation at 919-684-3917 by tomorrow, June 2, to make lunch reservations.

**Playgroup Outing**—Christian fellowship is the goal of the playgroup outing for young children and their parents or caregivers. The next gathering will be on Thursday, June 5, at 10:00 a.m. at Oval Park, 210 West Club Blvd. in Durham. For more information, contact Anna Shea at annacollins2@hotmail.com.

**Annual Overnight Retreat**—80 members of the Congregation are participating in the annual overnight retreat at Caraway Conference Center in Asheboro. The retreat started yesterday morning and will continue through lunch today. For many individuals, the fellowship and discussions are a highlight of the year. Please consider attending next year.

**Lectionary Bible Study**—All are invited to participate in a study of the lectionary readings on Friday, June 6, at 10:00 a.m. in the library at The Forest at Duke. This study meets on the first Friday of the month.

**Fellowship Dinners**—You are invited to a time of Christian fellowship and good food, by participating in monthly fellowship dinners. New participants and guests are always welcome.
- The Young Adult Dinner will meet on Friday, June 6, at 6:00 p.m. at Mad Hatter Bakeshop and Café, 1802 W Main St., Durham.
- The 40s and 50s Dinner will meet on Friday, June 13, at 6:00 p.m. at The Refectory Café, 2726 Durham-Chapel Hill Blvd, Durham.

**Saturday Service Project**—Volunteers are needed for a service project at Reality Ministries, 916 Lamond Ave, Durham on Saturday, June 14, from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon. Reality Ministries works to create opportunities for teens and adults with developmental disabilities to experience community and live into the reality of Christ. If you are available to serve, please contact Brad Troxell at brad.troxell@duke.edu or 919-684-3917.
Duke University Chapel

Duke Chapel is a grand building, suitable for hosting major events in the life of the University and its members; it acts as a moderator for the diversity of religious identity and expression on campus; and it is a Christian church of an unusually interdenominational character, with a tradition of stirring music, preaching, and liturgy. We welcome you to our life of worship, learning, dialogue, and service.

We invite you to consider joining the Congregation at Duke Chapel. The Congregation is an interdenominational church with a variety of vibrant ministries, including discipleship and spiritual formation (for children, youth, and adults), mission and outreach, and pastoral care. If you would like to receive the weekly eNews from the Congregation or have any questions, please email congregation@duke.edu or call 919-684-3917.

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† Prayer requests may be placed in the prayer box located by the Memorial Chapel.
† For a tour of Duke Chapel, meet today’s docent near the front steps of the Chapel following the service.
† Hearing assist units and a Braille hymnal are available at the attendant’s desk at the entry way of the Chapel. See the Chapel attendant if you would like to use one of our large-print Bibles or hymnals for the worship service this morning.
† Children 4 and younger are welcome to visit the nursery (capacity limited), located in the Chapel basement, beginning at 10:50 a.m. each week. Pagers are available for parents to keep with them during worship. Parents needing a place to feed, quiet, or change infants are also welcome.
† Activity Bags are available at the rear of the Chapel for children 5 or younger. Please return the bags at the end of the service. Children’s bulletins are available from the ushers.