



Duke UNIVERSITY CHAPEL

BRIDGING FAITH & LEARNING

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Day of Pentecost

Sunday, June 8, 2025, 11:00 a.m.



JESUS MAFA, *Pentecost*, 1973.

Fifty days after Easter, the church celebrates the festival of Pentecost. Echoing the ancient Jewish festival of Shavuot, which remembers God's giving of the law on Mount Sinai, Pentecost celebrates God's giving of the Holy Spirit, itself a fulfillment of ancient prophecy. Where the hope of the people is lost, the Spirit of God gives new life. In the Acts of the Apostles, the disciples are gathered in Jerusalem when the Holy Spirit descends upon them in tongues of flame. They are given miraculous ability to speak in many languages, and Peter, quoting the prophet Joel, proclaims boldly to the people that everyone who calls on the name of the Lord Jesus shall be saved.

Gathering

Prelude

Nun bitten wir den heiligen Geist, BuxWV 208

Dieterich Buxtehude
(1637–1707)

Greeting and Call to Worship

*Gathering Hymn | UMH 108

God Hath Spoken by the Prophets

EBENEZER

*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.

Minister: The peace of the risen Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Proclamation

Prayer for Illumination | In unison:

Living God,
eternal Holy Spirit,
let your bright intoxicating energy
which fired those first disciples
fall on us
to turn the world again.
Hear this prayer
for your love's sake.
Amen.

*E te Atua ora,
e te Wairua Tapu ora tonu,
kia maringi iho mai
tōu ngao kanapa taunanawe
i whakakā ai i aua ākonga tuatahi
kia taburi anō ai te ao.
Whakarongo ki tēnei inoi
i runga i tōu aroha.
Āmine.*

New Testament Lesson | NT page 111 in pew Bibles.

Acts 2:1–21

Lector: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

Now to the Holy Spirit Let Us Pray

Johann Staden (1581–1634)
Johann Walter (c. 1496–1570)

Now to the Holy Spirit let us pray
for true faith, most needed on our way:
guide us and defend us when life is ending
and our journey homeward is tending.
Lord, have mercy!

O sweetest Love, your grace on us bestow;
set our hearts with sacred fire aglow,
that with hearts united we love each other,
ev'ry stranger, sister, and brother.
Lord, have mercy!

Shine in our hearts, O Spirit, precious light,
that we Jesus Christ may know aright,
clinging to our Savior, whose love has claimed us,
who to our true homeland has brought us.
Lord, have mercy!

—*Medieval German hymn, adpt. Martin Luther (1483–1546)*

New Testament Lesson | NT page 148 in pew Bibles.

Romans 8:14–17

Lector: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

***Gradual Hymn** | UMH 465. Stanzas 1 and 2. All turn to face the Gospel procession.

Holy Spirit, Truth Divine

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***Gospel Lesson** | NT pages 102–103 in pew Bibles.

John 14:8–17, 25–27

Lector: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

***Gradual Hymn** | UMH 465. Stanzas 3 and 4.

Holy Spirit, Truth Divine

CANTERBURY

Sermon

Come Holy Spirit, Come

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:

People: Hear our prayer.

Offertory Anthem

Spirit Moving Over Chaos

David Ashley White

Spirit, moving over chaos,
bringing light where there was none,
be to us a light, revealing
where the work is to be done.
Praise to God, among us dwelling,
praise the Spirit giving light.

Breath, instilling animation,
giving life, informing soul,
breathe into all our beings
life that makes the Body whole.
Praise to God, among us dwelling:
praise the Spirit giving life.

Power, Lifeforce, Inspiration,
blowing, breathing, brooding here,
call, enliven, and empower
for your work, both far and near.
Praise to God, among us dwelling,
praise the Spirit giving strength.

Wind, inflaming fear-filled bodies,
sending them to tell the News,
fire anew your church's spirit,
show the path we ought to choose.
Praise to God, among us dwelling,
praise the Spirit giving fire.

—*Patricia Blaze Clark*

***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 A, found on page 17 in the hymnal.

***The Lord's Prayer** | All are encouraged to pray the Lord's Prayer in the language of their choosing. The English text can be found at 895 in the pew 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. Bread and wine are used for Communion. After a server places bread in your hands, you may receive wine by dipping your bread into the chalice. If you desire gluten-free bread or grape juice, these are available from servers at the front near Memorial Chapel and near the back opposite the attendant's desk. 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 Anthem

Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether

Harold Friedell
(1905–1958)

Draw us in the Spirit's tether;
for when humbly, in thy name,
two or three are met together,
thou art in the midst of them:
Alleluya! Alleluya! Touch we now thy garment's hem.

As disciples used to gather
in the name of Christ to sup,
then with thanks to God the giver
break the bread and bless the cup,
Alleluya! Alleluya! So knit thou our friendship up.

All our meals and all our living
make as sacraments of thee
that by caring, helping, giving,
we may true disciples be.
Alleluya! Alleluya! We will serve thee faithfully.

—*Percy Dearmer (1867–1936)*

Communion Hymn | UMH 603

Come, Holy Ghost, Our Hearts Inspire

WINCHESTER OLD

Sending Forth

*Benediction

*Sending Hymn | UMH 539

O Spirit of the Living God

FOREST GREEN

Postlude

Komm, Gott Schöpfer, heiliger Geist, BWV 667

Johann Sebastian Bach
(1685–1750)

TODAY IN WORSHIP

Presiding Ministers

Bruce Puckett *Assistant Dean, Duke University Chapel*
Lynn Holmes *Interim Pastor, Congregation at Duke Chapel*
Amanda Alokpa *Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel; Law '24*

Preacher

Grace Ji-Sun Kim *Professor of Theology, Earlham School of Religion*

Lectors

Sharon Anjali Jones *Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel*
Drew Middleton *Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel*

Musicians

Duke Chapel Summer Choir *Choir*
Chad Fothergill *Chapel Organist, Duke University Chapel*
Katherine Johnson *Organ Scholar, Duke University Chapel*

Head Usher

Ken Arneson *Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel*
Pete Acker *Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel*

Today's Guest Preacher | The Rev. Dr. Grace Ji-Sun Kim is a professor of theology at Earlham School of Religion. Born in Korea, educated in Canada, and now teaching in the United States, Professor Kim is an ordained Presbyterian Church (USA) minister and has served on the American Academy of Religion's board of directors. She is the author or editor of twenty-four books, including *Invisible*, *Hope in Disarray*, *Keeping Hope Alive*, and *Intersectional Theology*, and is a co-editor for the Palgrave Macmillan series *Asian Christianity in the Diaspora*. Her writing has been published in *Baptist News Global*, *Sojourners*, *Faith and Leadership*, *TIME*, *The Huffington Post*, *Christian Century*, *U.S. Catholic*, and *The Nation*. She is the host of the *Madang* podcast and writes the *Loving Life* blog and Substack email newsletter.

Today's Offering | All of today's cash offerings and checks written to Duke University Chapel will support human service organizations in the greater Durham area. You are invited to give online at chapel.duke.edu/offering. Send checks to: Duke University Chapel, Box 90974, Durham, NC 27708-0974.

Today's Flowers | The flowers for the worship service today are given to the glory of God by the Elizabeth Lucina Gotham Memorial Chapel Endowment.

Liturgical Acknowledgments | Prayer for Illumination. Adapted from *A New Zealand Prayer Book, He Karakia Mihinare o Aotearoa*, The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand, and Polynesia, 1988.

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 Duke Community Affairs.

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.

Rev. Racquel Gill Departing Chapel Staff | Rev. Racquel Gill will be leaving Duke Chapel to begin as the Community Relations Supervisor in the Department of Equity and Inclusion in the City of Raleigh. Rev. Gill has served faithfully at the Chapel over the past three years, and we will miss the various ways she has ministered and led at the Chapel. Join us as we say farewell to Rev. Gill in the service on Sunday, June 22.

Guest Preacher Next Sunday | The guest preacher in next Sunday's service is Dr. J. Warren Smith, professor of historical theology at Duke Divinity School. Dr. Smith studies the history of theology broadly conceived from the apostles to the present, with a primary focus on patristic theology. His books include *Passion and Paradise: Human and Divine Emotion in the Thought of Gregory of Nyssa*; *Christian Grace and Pagan Virtue: The Theological Foundation of Ambrose's Ethics*; and *Ambrose, Augustine, and the Pursuit of Greatness*.

Chorworks Early Music Performances | Singers in the Chorworks summer program, hosted by Duke Chapel, will present motets and mass settings by Johann Sebastian Bach at two concerts and one worship service. Directed by the Chapel's conductor-in-residence Dr. Philip Cave, Chorworks is a week-long workshop for talented, early-career singers to deepen their facility with early music repertoire. All three events are free and open to the public.

- Bach, Family, and Friends: An Evening of Motets — Friday, June 20, at 7:00 p.m. in Duke Divinity School's Goodson Chapel
- J.S. Bach: Mass and Motets — Saturday, June 21, at 7:00 p.m. in Duke Chapel
- Sunday Morning Worship Service — Sunday, June 22, at 11:00 a.m. in Duke Chapel

Urban Ministry Dinner: Volunteers Needed | The Congregation at Duke Chapel will provide dinner at Urban Ministries Durham on Wednesday, June 25. Please bring two party-size lasagnas to 410 Liberty Street by 5:15 p.m. Persons are needed to serve between 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. For more information, contact the Congregation's Mission and Outreach Committee at congregation@duke.edu.

Reality Ministries: Volunteers Needed and Back Pew Collection | The Congregation's Mission and Outreach Committee will lead a service project on June 28 between 9:30 a.m. to 12:00-noon. Reality Ministries is located at 916 Lamond Avenue. Tasks include outside and indoor activities. Also, the Mission and Outreach Committee will collect items for Reality Ministries to be left on the Back Pew on June 15 and June 22. For details about the needs and the wish list, contact congregation@duke.edu.

Sing in the Summer Choir | All are welcome to add their voices to the Chapel's Summer Choir on Sunday, July 13. Rehearsals will be held from 9:30–10:30 a.m., followed by the service at 11:00 a.m. Music will be provided at rehearsal, and additional information and recordings of the day's pieces will be circulated in advance by email. If you would like to participate, please complete the form at chapel.duke.edu/summerchoir.

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Sunday Morning Classes | All Sunday morning classes meet in the lowest level of Duke Divinity School (across the Chapel quad from Page Auditorium) from 9:45–10:45 a.m. Come early for refreshments at 9:30 a.m. New participants are welcome at any time. Contact congregation@duke.edu for additional information.

Wee Praise: Music and movement for children ages 0–3 will pause for the summer

Godly Play, Godly Play Advanced, and the Youth Program will pause for the summer

Adult Bible Study: “Our Faith Family Tree: An Exploration of Abraham and His Family” in 0013 Westbrook and over Zoom

ACCESSIBILITY

Hearing assistance units, as well as large-print worship guides and hymnals, are available at the AV console in the rear of the Chapel. There, you can also find directions to download a listen-assist app on your phone. 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 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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