



# Duke UNIVERSITY CHAPEL

BRIDGING FAITH & LEARNING

## SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Second Sunday After Pentecost  
Sunday, June 22, 2025, 11:00 a.m.



Daniele da Volterra, *Prophet Elijah on Mount Horeb*, c. 1550–1560.

Today's scripture readings center on the provision of God for those in need. The reading from 1 Kings depicts God providing for the prophet Elijah as he is fleeing for his life. Paul's letter to the Galatians describes the provision of righteousness by faith in Christ rather than through the keeping of the law. This provision promises that all those in Christ are counted among Abraham's offspring, the people of God. The Gospel reading tells the story of Jesus casting out demons from a man, to which the man responds by testifying to God's provision in his moment of need.

# Gathering

## Prelude

Dies sind die heil'gen zehn Gebot, BWV 678

Johann Sebastian Bach  
(1685–1750)

## Greeting and Call to Worship

### Introit

Cantate Domino, SWV 81

Heinrich Schütz  
(1585–1672)

Cantate Domino canticum novum,  
laus eius in ecclesia sanctorum.  
Laetetur Israel in eo qui fecit eum,  
et filiae Sion exultent in rege suo.  
Laudent nomen ejus in tympano et choro,  
in psalterio psalant ei.

*Sing to the Lord a new song,  
His praise in the assembly of the saints.  
Let Israel rejoice in him who made them,  
Let the daughters of Zion rejoice in their king.  
Let them praise his name with timbrel and dance,  
Let them sing to him in songs of praise.*

—*Psalms 149:1–3*

### \*Gathering Hymn | UMH 139

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN

### \*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.**

\*All rise as able

The minister speaks words of assurance.

**\*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 | In unison:

**Healing, sovereign God, overmatch our resistant ears with your transforming speech. Penetrate our jadedness and fatigue. Touch our yearnings by your words. Through your out-loudness, draw us closer to you. We are ready to listen. Amen.**

*—Walter Brueggemann (1933–2025)*

Old Testament Lesson | OT page 311 in pew Bibles.

1 Kings 19:1–15a

Lector: The word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## Anthem

O Jesu Christ, meins Lebens Licht, BWV 118

J. S. Bach

O Jesu Christ, meins Lebens Licht  
Mein Hort, mein Trost, mein' Zuversicht,  
Auf Erden bin ich nur ein Gast  
Und drückt mich sehr der Sünden Last.

*O Jesus Christ, light of my life,  
my refuge, my comfort, my reassurance,  
on earth I am only a guest  
And the burden of sin presses down heavily upon me.*

*—Martin Behm (1557–1622), tr. by Francis Browne*

New Testament Lesson | NT page 178 in pew Bibles.

Galatians 3:23–29

Lector: The word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

\*Gospel Lesson | NT pages 63–64 in pew Bibles.

Luke 8:26–39

Lector: The word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

The Story of Our Lives

Response

\*Response Hymn | UMH 596

Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word

LIEBSTER JESU

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

Singet dem Herrn ein neues Lied, BWV 225

J. S. Bach

1.

Singet dem Herrn ein neues Lied,  
die Gemeinde der Heiligen sollen ihn loben.  
Israel freue sich des, der ihn gemacht hat.  
Die Kinder Zion sei'n fröhlich  
über ihrem Könige,  
sie sollen loben seinen Namen im Reihen;  
mit Pauken und mit Harfen  
sollen sie ihm spielen.

2.

Wie sich ein Vater erbarmet  
Gott, nimm dich ferner unser an,  
über seine junge Kinderlein,  
so tut der Herr uns allen,  
so wir ihn kindlich fürchten rein.  
Er kennt das arm Gemächte,  
Gott weiß, wir sind nur Staub,  
denn ohne dich ist nichts getan  
mit allen unsern Sachen.  
Gleich wie das Gras vom Rechen,  
ein Blum und fallend Laub.  
Der Wind nur drüber wehet,  
so ist es nicht mehr da,  
drum sei du unser Schirm und Licht,  
und trügt uns unsre Hoffnung nicht,  
so wirst du's ferner machen.  
Also der Mensch vergehet,  
sein End, das ist ihm nah.  
Wohl dem, der sich nur steif und fest  
auf dich und deine Huld verläßt.

3.

Lobet den Herrn in seinen Taten,  
lobet ihn in seiner großen Herrlichkeit.  
Alles, was Odem hat, lobe den Herrn.  
Halleluja!

1.

*Sing to the Lord a new song,  
the assembly of saints shall praise him.  
Let Israel rejoice in him who made her.  
Let the children of Zion be glad  
in their king,  
they shall praise his name in the dance;  
with timbrel and with harps  
they shall play for him.*

2.

*Just as a father has compassion  
God, accept us furthermore,  
for his young, little children  
so does the Lord treat us, the poor,  
so we fear him purely, like children.  
He recognizes poor humanity,  
God knows we are but dust,  
for without you there is nothing done  
toward any of our concerns.  
just like grass from a rake,  
a blossom or a fallen leaf.  
The wind simply blows it about  
and it is there no more.  
Thus be our shield and light,  
and lest our hopes deceive us,  
you will continue to do so.  
So too the human passes away,  
his ending is nigh.  
Blessed be the one, who fast and firm  
surrenders himself to you and your grace.*

3.

*Praise the Lord for his acts,  
praise him in his great splendor!  
Let all that has breath praise the Lord.  
Hallelujah!*

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

### Blessing for Ministry Transition

### \*Benediction

### \*Sending Hymn | UMH 102

Now Thank We All Our God

NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

### Postlude

Fugue in G Major, BWV 550/2

J. S. Bach

**Communion Service Following Worship** | Immediately following today's worship service, a brief communion service will be held in the chancel. All are welcome to enter the chancel, sit in the choir stalls, and participate. As you are leaving the Chapel, please be mindful of the impact of conversations and other sounds on this service.



# TODAY IN WORSHIP

## Presiding Ministers

Luke A. Powery.....*Dean, Duke University Chapel*  
Racquel Gill .....*Minister for Intercultural Engagement, Duke University Chapel*

## Preacher

Carolyn B. Helsel ..... *Associate Professor in the Blair Monie Distinguished Chair  
in Homiletics, Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary*

## Lectors

Gregory Beck..... *Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel*  
Han Setiawan ..... *Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel*

## Musicians

Chorworks 2025 Young Artists Program ..... *Choir*  
Philip Cave ..... *Conductor-in-Residence, Duke University Chapel*  
Katherine Johnson ..... *Organ Scholar, Duke University Chapel*

## Head Ushers

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

**Today’s Guest Preacher** | Today’s Wilder guest preacher is the Rev. Dr. Carolyn B. Helsel, Associate Professor in the Blair Monie Distinguished Chair in Homiletics at Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary and project director of the Sharing Faith Initiative. The author of five books, Dr. Helsel received the Book(s) of the Year Award in 2019 from the Academy of Parish Clergy for *Anxious to Talk about It: Helping White Christians Talk Faithfully about Racism and Preaching about Racism: A Guide for Faith Leaders*. Her work has been featured in *Newsweek*, *CNN*, *The New York Times*, *The Christian Century*, and *The Presbyterian Outlook*. She is ordained a Minister of Word and Sacrament in the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

**Today’s Offering** | All of today’s cash offerings and checks written to Duke University Chapel will be used to support the Chapel’s student engagement programming. You are invited to give online at [chapel.duke.edu/offering](https://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 Nancy Hanks Chapel Endowment.



**Today's Music** | Today in worship, we welcome musicians from the 2025 Chorworks Young Artists program. Upcoming professional singers have been on Duke's campus this week studying choral music by Johann Sebastian Bach, members of the Bach dynasty, and their contemporaries, led by Dr. Philip Cave. Featuring daily rehearsals, vocal training, coaching, and presentations, the program has allowed its students to study the music and its context in a deep dive into some of the greatest choral music of the 17th and 18th centuries.

**Liturgical Acknowledgments | Prayer for Illumination.** Adapted from *Awed to Heaven, Rooted in Earth: Prayers of Walter Brueggemann*, © 2003, Augsburg Fortress.

## ENGAGE

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**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 Department of Political Science.

**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.

**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 and 7:00 p.m. For more information, contact the Congregation's Mission and Outreach Committee at [congregation@duke.edu](mailto: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 from 9:30 a.m. to 12-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 today and next Sunday. For details about the needs and the wish list, contact [congregation@duke.edu](mailto:congregation@duke.edu).

**Choral Evensong with Newly Composed Music** | A Choral Evensong service on Sunday, June 29, at 4:00 p.m. debuts two original compositions written for the Duke Chapel Evensong Singers specifically for the service. The first is a musical setting for the service's *Magnificat* and *Nunc Dimittis* texts composed by Robert Lehman. The second is the anthem *We Sing of God, the Mighty Source* with music written by Gary Davison. Duke Chapel's Evensong worship service follows the Evening Prayer liturgy from the *Book of Common Prayer* with music from the English cathedral tradition.

**Sing in the Summer Choir** | All are welcome to add their voices to the Chapel's Summer Choir on Sunday, July 13. Rehearsal 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](http://chapel.duke.edu/summerchoir).

**Evensong Singers Tenth Anniversary Tour** | Duke Chapel's Evensong Singers will travel to Oxford, United Kingdom, to sing in worship services July 17–27. In the "City of Dreaming Spires," they will perform in Choral Evensong and Eucharist services in several of the iconic chapels, each steeped in tradition and grandeur. The tour marks the tenth anniversary of the formation of the Evensong Singers and the Chapel's Choral Evensong services. See the group's itinerary and find updates during the tour at [chapel.duke.edu/evensongtour](http://chapel.duke.edu/evensongtour). To learn how to support the tour, email [chapelmusic@duke.edu](mailto:chapelmusic@duke.edu).

**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](mailto:congregation@duke.edu) for additional information.

**Wee Praise, 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

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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](mailto:dukechapel@duke.edu).

## 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 brief form, and a Chapel minister or other staff member will contact you soon. Scan the QR code or visit [chapel.duke.edu/connect](http://chapel.duke.edu/connect).



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