



Duke
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CHAPEL

BRIDGING FAITH & LEARNING

SERVICE OF WORSHIP
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, July 9, 2023, 11:00 a.m.



Thankful, Henry Osawa Tanner, 1859–1937.

Today's lessons celebrate God's redemptive love. We begin with a prophecy of Christ's entry into Jerusalem on a humble colt, bringing peace to the nations. The psalmist sings of God's mercy, love, and compassion for all. The writer of Romans decries his own yielding to temptation while he rejoices in his salvation through Christ. The Gospel offers relief from human disagreements and contradictions with Jesus's words to his followers: "Take my yoke upon you and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls."

Gathering

Organ Voluntary

Master Tallis's Testament

Herbert Howells
(1892–1983)

Greeting and Call to Worship

*Processional Hymn | UMH 384

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

BEECHER

*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:

Guide us, O God, by your Word and Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover your peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

*All rise as able

Zechariah 9:9–12

Lector: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalmody | The refrain is introduced by the cantor, then sung by all. The congregation sings the refrain as indicated. The cantor chants the verses.

Psalm 145:8–14

refrain: Ray Makeever

The LORD is gra-cious and full of com-pas-sion, the

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The LORD is gracious and full of compassion,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
LORD, you are good to all,
and your compassion is over all your works. *Refrain*

All your works shall praise you, O LORD,
and your faithful ones shall bless you.
They shall tell of the glory of your kingdom
and speak of your power,
That all people may know of your power
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom. *Refrain*

Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom;
your dominion endures throughout all ages.
You, LORD, are faithful in all your words,
and loving in all your works.
The LORD upholds all those who fall
and lifts up those who are bowed down. *Refrain*

New Testament Lesson | NT page 147 in pew Bibles.

Romans 7:15–25a

Lector: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

*Gospel Lesson | NT page 11 in pew Bibles.

Matthew 11:16–19, 25–30

Lector: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

So Which Is It?

Response

Response Hymn | UMH 400

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

NETTLETON

*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 Solo

The Lord's Prayer

Ned Rorem
(1923–2022)

Our Father which 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 debts as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.
Amen. Amen.

—*Matthew 6:9-12*

*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

*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 | UMH 529

How Firm a Foundation

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Closing Voluntary

Nun danket alle Gott

Sigfrid Karg-Elert
(1877–1933)

TODAY IN WORSHIP

Presiding Ministers

Kathryn Lester-Bacon *Director of Religious Life, Duke University Chapel*
Racquel Gill *Minister for Intercultural Engagement, Duke University Chapel*

Preacher

Bruce Puckett *Assistant Dean, Duke University Chapel*

Lectors

Tamela Davis *Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel*
Ken Davenport *Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel*

Musicians

Alissa Roca *Soloist*
Jane Lynch *Guest Organist*

Head Usher

James Ferguson *Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel*

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 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. Send checks to: Duke University Chapel, Box 90974, Durham, NC 27708-0974. Give online at chapel.duke.edu/offering.

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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 Duke Pre-College Programs.

Listen-Assist Smartphone App | A new smartphone app lets you use your own phone and earbuds to listen in the pews to services. Stop by the AV console in the sanctuary on the way into a service for an easy two-step process to connect to the sound system.

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.

Chapel Flowers | If you would like to honor a loved one and the worshipping community of the Duke Chapel with a gift of flowers to decorate the chancel for Sunday worship, please contact Angela Flynn, coordinator of worship and ministry, at angela.flynn@duke.edu.

Help Introduce Visitors to Duke Chapel | Visitors from across America and around the globe visit Duke Chapel about 300,000 times each year. For many of these people, their visit is enriched by the hospitality and insights of our team of volunteer docents who offer welcome and give tours. You are invited to join this team to serve these visitors and deepen your understanding of the Chapel. Training is provided. Contact Tamela Davis at tamelabdavis@gmail.com to learn more.

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Dean Powery Promoted to Full Professor | Duke Chapel Dean Luke A. Powery has been appointed promoted to a full professor of homiletics at Duke Divinity School, effective July 1. There, he teaches courses on preaching, the spirituals, and the theology and ministry of Howard Thurman. His scholarship is at the intersection of preaching, worship, pneumatology, and culture, particularly expressions of the African diaspora. This Divinity faculty appointment is in addition to his role as dean of Duke Chapel and his faculty appointment in Duke's Department of African and African American Studies.

Chad Fothergill Selected as Chapel Organist | Duke Chapel has selected Chad Fothergill to be its Chapel Organist. Fothergill is currently the interim Chapel organist, and on August 1, he will begin his new role, which will include continuing to serve as the primary organist for Duke Divinity School.

Young Adult Dinner and Discussion Tomorrow | Please join friendly people for a simple dinner and Bible study that will focus on the experience of University graduate students, younger adults, and their partners. The next gathering will be tomorrow, Monday, July 10, at 6:30 p.m. in the Chapel kitchen, located in the lower level of the Chapel. The group will explore the Gospel of John. All are welcome, and we encourage questions and a range of perspectives. Please contact evan.bille@duke.edu for additional information.

Volunteers Needed Saturday | Do you enjoy gardening, indoor painting, or meal preparation? Consider helping with a Saturday service project at Reality Ministries on Saturday, July 15, from 9:00 a.m. to 12-noon. Activities will be matched to the volunteers' skills and interests. Reality Ministries, located at 916 Lamond Ave, Durham, creates opportunities for adults with and without developmental disabilities to experience belonging, kinship, and the lifechanging reality of Christ's love. Contact congregation@duke.edu to sign up.

Back Pew Collection | Please drop off donations for Reality Ministries on the back pew of the Chapel today and Sunday, July 16. Items needed include: plastic/ paper cups and plates, dishwasher detergent, individually wrapped crackers and snacks, and printer paper of any color. They also welcome gift cards for food, office, and building repair supplies.

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Guest Preacher Next Week | Next Sunday, we welcome as the guest preacher the Rev. Joe Ananias, who recently served as the interim director of the Anglican Episcopal House of Studies at Duke Divinity School. He has served parishes in North Carolina and South Carolina, and he has been on the staff of the Anglican Episcopal House of Studies since 2016. He is a 2013 graduate of Duke Divinity School and is currently enrolled in its Doctor of Theology program, in which he studies systematic theology and biblical interpretation.

Ice Cream Sundaes | All are welcome to enjoy ice cream sundaes with tasty toppings or a bowl of fruit after worship next Sunday, July 16, in the Chapel lounge, located in the lower level of the Chapel. Plan to stay for conversation with other worshipers and a sweet treat.

Sunday Morning Classes | Sunday morning Christian Education classes are available for all ages from 9:45–10:45 a.m., with coffee and refreshments provided at 9:30 a.m. Classes meet in the lowest level of the Westbrook building. New participants are welcome at any time. Please contact congregation@duke.edu for additional information.

Wee Praise: Music and movement for children ages 0–3 with parents or caregivers in 0011 Westbrook

Godly Play: Spiritual formation for children ages 4 through 5th grade in room 0050 Langford

Youth Program: Youth in 6th–12th grades will explore the Gospel of John in 0015 Westbrook

Adult Bible Study: On July 16, Morgan Dynes, Pastoral Assistant for the Congregation, will lead a class on 1 Corinthians 8-9 in 0013 Westbrook and over Zoom

ACCESSIBILITY

Large-print worship guides are available at the visitor relations desk. Hearing assistance units are available at the AV console in the rear of the Chapel. 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 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.



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