Once again, Duke Chapel welcomes to campus the Royal School of Church Music in America Carolina Summer Choral Residency. This program provides musical education to singers as part of their goal to uplift the spiritual life of communities across the nation through high-quality choral music. This week’s epistle includes a hymn-like text that inspires rejoicing in God’s grace, remembering God’s blessings, and glorifying God’s name. May these singers return to their homes filled with joy to share their gifts with their communities, truly living and singing praises of God’s glory.
Gathering
Prelude

Lullaby, from Suite No. 2  
Calvin Hampton  
(1938–1984)

Greeting and Call to Worship

*Gathering Hymn | UMH 126

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above  
MIT FREUDEN ZART

*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.

*Gloria, from Missa Resurrectionis | Sung by the choir.  
Gerre Hancock  
(1934–2012)

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God’s people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,  
We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,  
You take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;  
You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

*Peace | All exchange signs and words of God’s peace.

Minister: The peace of Christ be with you.  
People: And also with you.

*All rise as able
Proclamation
Prayer for Illumination | In unison:

O God, by the power of your Spirit you renew the earth; by the power of your word, give the water of life to all who hear, that we may bring forth abundant fruit in your glorious kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.


Ephesians 1:3–14

Lector: The word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Choral Anthem

O Hear Us, Lord

Hear us, O hear us, Lord; to Thee a sinner is more music when he prays Than spheres’ or angels’ praises be in panegyric alleluias.
Hear us, for till Thou hear us, Lord, we know not what to say.
Thine ear to our sighs, tears, thoughts gives voice and word.
O Thou who Satan heardst in Job’s sick day,
Hear Thy self now, for Thou in us dost pray.

—John Donne

Gospel Lesson | NT page 38 in pew Bibles.

Mark 6:14–29

Lector: The word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Sore Spots
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

Praise the Lord, O My Soul

Ned Rorem
(1923–2022)

Hallelujah! Praise the Lord, O my soul! I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being. Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, for there is no help in them. When they breathe their last, they return to earth, and in that day their thoughts perish. Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! whose hope is in the Lord their God; Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; who keeps his promise for ever; Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to those who hunger. The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind; the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; The Lord loves the righteous; the Lord cares for the stranger; he sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked. The Lord shall reign for ever, your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!

—Psalm 146

*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

*Sanctus and Benedictus, from Missa Resurrectionis | Sung by the choir.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

(Liturgy continues on page 18 in the hymnal. Responses will be spoken.)

*The Lord’s Prayer | All are encouraged to pray the Lord’s Prayer in the language of their choosing. The text is found on page 895 at the back of the 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, or to drink from a common cup, 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 Anthems

Agnus Dei, from Missa Resurrectionis | G. Hancock

Jesus, Lamb of God.
have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins,
have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world,
grant us peace.

Hail, true Body, born of the Virgin Mary, truly suffered, sacrificed on the cross for mankind, from whose pierced side water and blood flowed: Be for us a foretaste [of the Heavenly banquet] in the trial of death! O sweet Jesus, O holy Jesus, O Jesus, son of Mary, have mercy on me. Amen.

—traditional, 13th century, attr. to Pope Innocent

*Post-Communion Prayer

Sending Forth

*Choral Benediction

An Irish Blessing

May the road rise up to meet you,
May the wind be always at your back.
May the sun shine warm upon your face,
May the rains fall soft upon your fields.
And until we meet again,
May God hold you in the palm of his hand.

—Anonymous

*Benediction

*Closing Hymn | UMH 110

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

EIN’ FESTE BURG

Postlude

Fantasia super: Komm, Heiliger Geist, BWV 651

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)
TODAY IN WORSHIP

Presiding Ministers
Lynn Holmes ............................. Interim Pastor, Congregation at Duke Chapel
Racquel Gill ......................... Minister for Intercultural Engagement, Duke University Chapel

Preacher
Cathy Gilliard ............. Senior Pastor, Park Avenue United Methodist Church, New York City; Divinity ‘97

Lectors ......................... Choristers from the Carolina Summer Choral Residency
Torch and Word Bearers .... Choristers from the Carolina Summer Choral Residency

Musicians
Carolina Summer Choral Residency ................................. Guest Choir
Nicholas Quardokus ............. Music Director, Carolina Summer Choral Residency
James Kealey ...................... Organist, Carolina Summer Choral Residency

Head Ushers
Ken Arneson ............................. Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel
James Ferguson ........................ Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel

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


Today’s Music | We welcome participants of the twenty-seventh annual Carolina Summer Choral Residency as our guest choir. The residency is one of several held throughout the United States each summer. While in residence at Duke, participants enjoyed an intensive week of sacred music, worship, and fellowship. The RSCM Carolina Summer Choral Residency is co-managed by Matthew Michael Brown, director of music at St. Luke’s Episcopal Church in Atlanta, Georgia and Mark Ardrey-Graves, master of the choristers & schola at St. Paul’s Episcopal Church in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. Please visit www.carolinarscm.org for more information.

Today’s Flowers | The flowers for the worship service today are given to the glory of God by the Nancy Hanks Chapel Endowment.
TODAY IN WORSHIP

Today’s Guest Preacher | This week, the Robert T. Young Chapel Endowment guest preacher is the Rev. Dr. Cathy Gilliard. Rev. Gilliard is the senior pastor at Park Avenue United Methodist Church, New York City—the first person of color and second woman to be appointed as full-time pastor. Rev. Dr. Gilliard graduated from Duke Divinity School with a master of divinity and has also received a bachelor of arts degree from North Carolina A&T State University; a master of education in counseling psychology from Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey; and a doctor of ministry from United Theological Seminary. She currently serves on the Duke Chapel Advisory National Board and has served on Duke Divinity School’s National Alumni Council as well as in several positions within the United Methodist Church’s New York Annual Conference. She is a pastor-in-residence at Princeton Theological Seminary’s Iron Sharpening Iron Executive Leadership Program for Women. She is the proud mother of two sons and has six grandchildren.

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 the Duke Global Education Office.

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.

Sundae Fellowship After Worship | The Congregation at Duke Chapel’s Fellowship Committee will host an Ice Cream Social immediately after worship today. Enjoy a bowl of ice cream with all the toppings! Stop by the Chapel Lounge, located in the lower level of the Chapel, to enjoy sweet treats with other worshippers.

Choral Evensong This Afternoon | Singers, musicians, and ministers with the Carolina Summer Choral Residency will lead a service of Choral Evensong today at 4:00 p.m. The service is open to the public and will also be streamed live on the Duke Chapel website at chapel.duke.edu.
Sing in the Summer Choir | All are welcome to participate in the Chapel’s Summer Choir, Sunday, August 4. Rehearsal will be held from 9:30—10:30 that morning in the chancel, followed by the service at 11:00 a.m. Music will be provided at the rehearsal. If you plan to participate, please RSVP to chapelmusic@duke.edu.

LGBTQ+ Fellowship Next Sunday | Members of the LGBTQ+ community and allies are invited to attend the monthly fellowship gathering on the third Sunday of each month from 12:30–1:30 p.m. in the Chapel kitchen, and over Zoom. The next meeting will be next Sunday, July 21. For more information or the Zoom link, please email congregation@duke.edu.

Back Pew Collection Next Sunday | Reality Ministries, a local partner agency of the Congregation at Duke Chapel, offers community and belonging for adults with and without developmental disabilities. On July 21 and 28, the Congregation will collect these needed items on the back pews for Reality Ministries: printer paper, postage stamps, coloring books, plastic cups, paper plates, napkins, and plastic rectangular tablecloths.

Guest Preacher Next Week | Sunday, July 21, the Sterly and Pelham Wilder, Jr. Chapel Endowment guest preacher will be the Very Rev. Dr. Michael Battle. Rev Battle was ordained a priest by Archbishop Desmond Tutu in 1993. In 2010, he was given one of the highest Anglican Church distinctions as “Six Preacher,” by the Archbishop of Canterbury, Rowan Williams. He has published eleven books, including his latest, Desmond Tutu: A Spiritual Biography of South Africa’s Confessor. His PeaceBattle Institute works on subjects of diversity, spirituality, prayer, race, and reconciliation. He has served as a pastor and spiritual director to thousands of clergy and laity and also served as chaplain to Archbishop Tutu, Congressman John Lewis, the Episcopal House of Bishops, and the Lambeth Conference of Anglican Bishops. He served as vice president of the MK Gandhi Institute for Nonviolence, which was founded by a grandson of Mahatma Gandhi, Arun Gandhi. Rev. Dr. Battle and his wife were married by Archbishop Tutu and are parents to two daughters and a son.

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

The Congregation at Duke University Chapel joyfully welcomes all persons regardless of age, race, class, origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, or any other distinction and invites membership and participation in all of its ministries.

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