First, in the Old Testament Lesson, Elisha commands an inadequate amount of food be placed before a hundred people with confidence that God will make the food sufficient. In the Gospel, a similar experience awaits those who come to hear Jesus preach: his disciples present a boy’s lunch as the only food available, and Jesus provides a meal to serve the multitude. The Epistle provides the insight that the sating of physical hunger is not the entire point; instead, the faithfulness of the Spirit makes us powerful in Christ and fills us with love, all to the glory of God.
Gathering
Prelude

Dies sind die heilgen zehn Gebot, BWV 678  
Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

Greeting and Call to Worship

*Gathering Hymn | UMH 79

Holy God, We Praise Thy Name  

*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 Christ be with you.  
People:  And also with you.

Proclamation
Prayer for Illumination | In unison:

Touched by your hand, O God, our world is holy. As we hear your word, open our eyes to see your hand at work in the splendor of creation and the beauty of human life, helping us to cherish the gifts that surround us and share your blessings with others. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*All rise as able
Old Testament Lesson | OT page 320 in pew Bibles.

2 Kings 4:42–44

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

Psalmody

O Herr hilf, SWV 297

Heinrich Schütz  
(1585–1672)

O Herr hilf, o Herr, laß wohl gelingen.  
Gelobet sei, der da kommt im Namen des Herren.  
Hosianna in der Höhe.

O Lord, save us! O Lord, send us prosperity.  
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD.  
Hosanna in the highest.

—Psalm 118:25–26a

New Testament Lesson | NT page 182 in pew Bibles.

Ephesians 3:14–21

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

*Gospel Lesson | NT pages 91–92 in pew Bibles.

John 6:1–21

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

Sermon

Leftovers
Response
*Response Hymn | UMH 631

O Food to Pilgrims Given

*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 Anthem

Sheep May Safely Graze

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)
arr. Katherine K. Davis

Like a shepherd, God doth guide us into pastures calm and blest. Safe we lie by peaceful waters, and like sheep securely rest.
Though the valley dark is growing,
clouds are gath’ring, winds are blowing,
Night and death are drawing near—
Yet no danger shall alarm me,
death and darkness ne’er can harm me.
In his arms, I feel no fear.

—Katherine K. Davis

*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. See English text at 895 in the pew hymnal.

Sending Forth

*Benediction

*Sending Hymn | UMH 308

Thine Be the Glory

JUDAS MACCABEUS

Postlude

Concerto in G Major, BWV 592

J.S. Bach
(1685–1750)

Memorial Chapel Communion | Immediately following the postlude, a brief communion service will be held in Memorial Chapel; worship guides for the service are available near the entrance. Following communion, the minister will be available to offer prayers and anointing.
TODAY IN WORSHIP

Presiding Ministers
Dave Allen .............................................. Campus Minister, Duke Wesley; Divinity ’10
Lynn Holmes ................................. Interim Pastor, Congregation at Duke Chapel

Preacher
Luke A. Powery .................................................. Dean, Duke University Chapel

Lectors
Christopher Ross .............................. Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel
Tamela Davis .............................. Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel

Musicians
Zebulon Highben .................................. Director of Chapel Music, Duke University Chapel
Katherine Johnson .............................. Organ Scholar, Duke University Chapel
Mitchell Eithun .............................. Chapel Carillonneur, Duke University Chapel
Danielle Assessor, Alissa Roca, Monica Szabo-Nyeste ......................... Trio

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 support human service organizations in the greater Durham area. Send checks to: Duke University Chapel, Box 90974, Durham, NC 27708-0974. Give online at chapel.duke.edu/offering.

Today’s Flowers | The flowers for the worship service today are given to the glory of God by the Nan and Taylor Cole Chapel Endowment.


Today’s Music | In many liturgical calendars, July 28 is set aside as a day to commemorate three great composers of sacred music: Johann Sebastian Bach, Heinrich Schütz, and George Frideric Handel. Bach’s cantatas, passions, and organ works; Schütz’s varied and plentiful settings of scriptural texts; and Handel’s oratorios (from which several hymn tunes have been adapted, including today’s closing hymn) have enriched communal worship for centuries, demonstrating how music can preach the gospel. In the words of Bach: “The aim and final reason for all music should be the glory of God and the refreshment of the soul.”
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 Mary Lou Williams Center for Black Culture.

Reality Ministries Service Project | Reality Ministries, a local partner agency of the Congregation at Duke Chapel, offers community and belonging for adults with and without developmental disabilities. On Tuesday, July 30, from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m., Congregation volunteers will provide a lasagna and salad dinner for fifty members of this beloved community. Dinner will be followed by a short program of singing and a message from the Bible. If you are interested in volunteering or attending the program, please email congregation@duke.edu.

July–August Book Group | The Congregation at Duke Chapel will join incoming Duke students, staff, and faculty in the Duke Common Experience summer reading program. This year’s book is *All We Can Save*, edited by Ayana Elizabeth Johnson and Katharine K. Wilkinson. The book features essays, poetry, and art from sixty women around the world who are at the forefront of the climate movement. Groups will meet on Wednesday, July 31, at 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. to discuss the chapter “Reshape.” For Zoom information, please email congregation@duke.edu.

Sing in the Summer Choir | All are welcome to participate in the Chapel’s Summer Choir next 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.

Crop Drop Service Project | Mark your calendar for Saturday, August 24. That morning from 9:00 a.m. to 12-noon, Duke Chapel and Religious Life at Duke will host the Crop Drop service project on the lawn outside of the East Duke Building at 1304 Campus Dr. Students and other volunteers will join campus chaplains in sorting and packing potatoes for local food service organizations. Sign up at chapel.duke.edu/cropdrop.

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. Contact congregation@duke.edu for additional information.
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 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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