



Duke  
UNIVERSITY  
CHAPEL

# Service of Worship

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
August 14, 2016  
Eleven o'clock in the morning

≈ Bridging Faith and Learning ≈

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*“The Starry Night,” by  
Vincent van Gogh, (1853–1890)*

In this morning’s Gospel reading, Jesus has fiery words that warn of the divisions his ministry will bring. He urges us to seek spiritual discernment just as we learn to interpret the appearance of earth and sky. The letter to the Hebrews tells of the heroes and martyrs of the faith, commending those like Rahab who placed their faith in the Lord. We are each called to run with perseverance by looking to Jesus and rejoicing at his love for us—love that took him to the cross.

*The Chapel welcomes families with children; if at any time during the service your child needs a place for active play, please know there is a nursery in the Chapel basement.*

*On this Communion Sunday, families with children are invited to sit up front, so they can better observe The Great Thanksgiving. The importance of welcoming children is exemplified in Matthew 18:2-5 by Jesus' answer to the disciples as they wondered who was the greatest in the kingdom of heaven: "He called a child, whom he put among them, and said, 'Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Whoever becomes humble like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me.'" Please help us welcome the children in our midst by letting them know we are glad to see them in worship. By doing so, we are also welcoming Jesus.*

*The congregation is invited to reflect silently during the prelude as a time of prayer and meditation.*

## GATHERING

CARILLON

PRELUDE

Psalm Prelude, set 1, No. 2

Herbert Howells  
(1892–1983)

"But the meek-spirited shall possess the earth, and shall be refreshed in the multitude of peace."

*Psalm 37:11*

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 435 (*found in the hymnals located in the pew racks*)  
O God of Every Nation

LLANGLOFFAN

\*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.)*

## PROCLAMATION

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (*in unison*)

**Loving Father, who sent your Son to save us: remind us of your goodness, increase your grace within us, and send your Spirit now to illuminate your holy word; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON—Psalm 80:1–2, 8–19 (*OT page 511*)

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON—Hebrews 11:29–12:2 (*NT page 212*)

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

\*GRADUAL HYMN 730 (*stanzas 1–3*)

O Day of God, Draw Nigh

ST. MICHAEL

(*All turn to face the Gospel Procession.*)

\*GOSPEL LESSON—Luke 12:49–56 (*NT page 71*)

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

\*GRADUAL HYMN 730 (*stanzas 4–5*)

O Day of God, Draw Nigh

ST. MICHAEL

SERMON—An Unfathomable Faith

## 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: “Hear our prayer.”*)

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Ich will den Herren loben allezeit, SWV 306

Heinrich Schütz  
(1585–1672)

*Ich will den Herren loben allezeit,  
sein Lob soll immerdar*

*in meinem Munde sein, Alleluja.*

*Meine Seele soll sich rühmen des Herren,  
daß es die Elenden horen und sich freuen,  
Alleluja.*

*Preiset mit mir den Herren,  
und laßt uns miteinander  
seinen Namen erhören, Alleluja.*

*Da ich den Herren suchte, antwortet er mir,  
und errettet mich aus aller meiner Furcht,  
Alleluja, und half mir aus allen meinen Nöten,  
Alleluja.*

I will bless the Lord at all times  
His praise shall continually be in my mouth, Hallelujah.  
My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the afflicted hear and be  
glad, Hallelujah.  
O magnify the Lord with me,  
and let us exalt His name together, Hallelujah.  
I sought the Lord, and He answered me  
and delivered me from all my fears, Hallelujah,  
and saved me from all my troubles, Hallelujah.

\*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 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 version is number 895 in 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. Wine is used for  
Communion. If you would prefer to receive grape juice, it is available upon  
request at the Communion station near the main entrance of the Chapel,  
on the pulpit side. If you have a gluten allergy, there is a server near the  
Memorial Chapel who will be ready to serve you gluten-free wafers and wine.  
If you will not receive Communion, you are welcome to come forward to receive  
a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest.*

MUSIC DURING DISTRIBUTION

HYMN 206

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

HOUSTON

COMMUNION ANTHEM

O Salutaris

Cesar Franck  
(1822–1890)

*O salutaris Hostia,  
Quae caeli pandis ostium:  
Bella premunt hostilia,  
Da robur, fer auxilium.*

O saving Victim,  
Opening wide the gate of Heaven;  
Our foes press hard on every side;  
Give your strength, give your aid.

## SENDING FORTH

\*POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

\*BENEDICTION

\*CLOSING PROCESSIONAL HYMN 79  
Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

GROSSER GOTT

POSTLUDE

Allegro Risoluto, from Plymouth Suite

Percy Whitlock  
(1903–1946)

CARILLON

*\*All who are able may stand.*

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## MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

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Presiding Ministers	The Rev. Dr. Luke Powery The Rev. Dr. Carol Gregg
Preacher	The Rev. Dr. Esther E. Acolatse
Lectors	Ms. Jane Fellows <i>Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel</i> Mr. Drew Middleton <i>Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel</i>
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Soprano Soloist	Ms. Kristen Blackman <i>Trinity '03</i>
Minister of Anointing	The Rev. Andrew Phillips
Head Ushers	Dr. James Ferguson and Mr. Rick Wilfong
Carillonneur	Mr. J. Samuel Hammond

### PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK

*This morning we give thanks for the Duke International Office and its work with students and faculty from other countries. We are grateful it serves as a place of hospitality and logistical assistance for people acclimatizing to life in the U.S.*

*In Durham, we lift up organizations that provide access to capital for first time homeowners and small businesses. We also remember those who work for economic stability within our community.*

### UPCOMING PREACHERS AT DUKE CHAPEL

AUGUST 21—The Rev. Dr. Raquel Lettsome,  
Associate Minister at Union A.M.E. Church in Warwick, New York

AUGUST 28—The Rev. Dr. Luke A. Powery, Dean of Duke Chapel

SEPTEMBER 4—The Rev. Dr. Luke A. Powery, Dean of Duke Chapel

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## CHAPEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**TODAY'S FLOWERS**—Flowers for today's worship service are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Doris Altmeyer, by her family.

**TODAY'S OFFERING**—All of today's cash offerings and undesignated checks will be used to support the Chapel's PathWays program, which offers students opportunities to discern God's call through study, artistic expression, counsel, service, and Christian community.

**TODAY'S GUEST PREACHER**—Today we are pleased to welcome the Rev. Dr. Esther Acolatse as a Cleve F. and Lilla Hawkins Boyles Guest Preacher. Dr. Acolatse is an Assistant Professor of the Practice of Pastoral Theology and World Christianity at Duke Divinity School. Her teaching and research cover four main areas: 1) the intersection of psychology and Christian thought, with a particular interest in the gendered body and Christian experience; 2) methodological and hermeneutical issues in the practice of Christian life and the reception of Christian theology, both historical and systematic; 3) the relevance of these themes in the global expression of Christianity; and 4) the search for a common language for the expression and articulation of World Christianity. Her book *For Freedom or Bondage: A Critique of African Pastoral Practices* (Eerdmans 2014) explores the pitfalls of overvaluing the spiritual world and the language of principalities and powers in biblical interpretation and pastoral practice, themes that have been central to the global expansion of Pentecostal and charismatic Christianity. She holds a masters degree from Harvard (1992) and a PhD from Princeton Theological Seminary (1998).

**LEMONADE ON THE LAWN**—Please stay for a time of fellowship and refreshment following worship, located under the magnolia trees by Page Auditorium.

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### FOR WORSHIPERS AND VISITORS

† Prayer requests may be placed in the prayer box located by the Memorial Chapel.

† For a tour of Duke Chapel, meet today's docent near the front steps of the Chapel following the service.

† Hearing assistance units are available at the sound desk at the back left of the Chapel. For optimal hearing assistance, please sit in the pews near the third columns of the Chapel nave, where the speakers are located.

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### FOR FAMILIES AND CHILDREN

† Children 4 and younger are welcome to visit the nursery (capacity limited), located in the Chapel basement, beginning at 10:50 a.m. each week. Paggers are available for parents to keep with them during worship. Parents needing a place to feed, quiet, or change infants are also welcome.

† Worship Bags for ages 0–5, and Children's Worship Bulletins™ for ages 3–6 and 7–12, are available at the rear of the Chapel. Please return bags and clipboards at the end of the service.

*We invite you to consider joining the Congregation at Duke Chapel. The Congregation is an interdenominational church with a variety of vibrant ministries, including discipleship and spiritual formation (for children, youth, and adults), mission and outreach, and pastoral care. Please email [congregation@duke.edu](mailto:congregation@duke.edu) or call 919-684-3917 for information.*





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*The following Congregation opportunities are open to all.*

**SUMMER CLASSES**—Three Sunday morning classes are available from 9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. Refreshments and fellowship begin at 9:30 a.m. Classes are held in the lowest level of Duke Divinity School, Westbrook Building. All are welcome to participate:

**Wee Praise:** For ages 0–3 with parents or caregivers in 0011 Westbrook.

**Lift Ev'ry Voice:** For ages 4 through 5th grade in 0014 Westbrook.

**Bible Study on the Gospel of John:** For youth and adults in 0013 Westbrook.

**BACK PEW COLLECTION**—The Mission and Outreach Committee invites the donation of school supplies to be given to a Durham high school. Donations of loose leaf paper, spiral one-subject notebooks, three-ring binders (usually 2" works well), pens, colored pencils, and markers may be placed on the back pew today or next Sunday, August 21.

**POTATO DROP**—You can be part of the Potato Drop! Volunteers of all ages are needed to bag 40,000 pounds of potatoes on Saturday, September 3, between 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. in the parking lot behind Crowell Hall, 10 Epworth Lane, Durham, on Duke University's East Campus. The potatoes, rejected by commercial markets due to surface blemishes, need to be bagged in 10 pound bags for distribution to local food pantries. Several Duke University departments, including Duke Chapel and the Congregation at Duke Chapel, are partnering with the Society of St. Andrew to make this event possible. Many hands are needed to bag the potatoes; volunteers are asked to arrive at 9:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. or 12 p.m. and are welcome to stay as long as they like. While all ages are welcome, adults must accompany minor children. Participants should bring a water bottle with them and wear sun protection. Entrance to the Crowell-Wilson parking lot, where the event will be held, is available both from Trinity Ave. and Buchanan Blvd.

**WOMEN'S MINISTRY DINNER**—All women are invited to meet for dinner and fellowship at 7:00 p.m. at Saladelia Cafe (4201 University Drive, Durham) on Friday, August 19. If you plan to come, please RSVP to Kate DeAlmeida at 919-225-8285 or [thedealmeidas@aol.com](mailto:thedealmeidas@aol.com).

**MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID**—The Congregation's Fall Retreat will be mental health first aid training on Saturday, September 17, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall at Pilgrim United Church of Christ, 3011 Academy Rd. in Durham. James Osborn, who is Director of Community Engagement and Outreach at Alliance Behavioral Healthcare and a member of the Congregation, will lead the training. The fee of \$10 will cover the cost of a catered lunch. Registration is limited to 30 people. Please contact the Congregation office at 919-684-3917 to indicate your plans to attend.

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## DUKE UNIVERSITY CHAPEL

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*Duke Chapel is a Christian church of an unusually interdenominational character, with a tradition of stirring music, preaching, and liturgy. It is also a grand building, suitable for hosting major events in the life of the University and its members; it further acts as a moderator for the diversity of religious identity and expression on campus. We welcome you to our life of worship, learning, dialogue, and service.*

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### NEXT WEEK IN WORSHIP AT DUKE CHAPEL

**GUEST PREACHER**—Our preacher will be the Rev. Dr. Raquel Lettsome, Associate Minister at Union A.M.E. Church in Warwick, New York.

**OFFERING**—Next week's offering will go to support non-profits in the Durham area.