



# Duke UNIVERSITY CHAPEL

BRIDGING FAITH & LEARNING

**SERVICE OF WORSHIP**  
Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost  
Sunday, August 8, 2021, 11:00 a.m.



*Christ in Judgment*

Coppo di Marcovaldo, thirteenth century. Photo by Tim Adams.

In Matthew 11, Jesus asks some pointed questions: “What did you go out into the wilderness to look at? What did you go out to see?” These questions pin us, the listener, to the spot. We hear them and are forced to look inward, to ask ourselves: why did you show up here? What are you expecting? The weight of expectation is threaded through Malachi 3 as well. While condemning the unrighteous and the greedy, the prophet directs us to anticipate the day of God’s coming, demanding that we reflect: who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? The prophet uses potent images of refiner’s fire and fuller’s soap, which have reverberated across the generations, echoing back to us in the words of writers and musicians. What is going to happen? What are we waiting for? None of these questions have easy answers, so we find ourselves turning back to the one who asks us these questions in the first place, Jesus.

# Gathering

## Opening Voluntary

Largo and Allegro, from Sonata in C minor,  
BWV 1017

Johann Sebastian Bach  
(1685-1750)

## Greeting and Call to Worship

\*Opening Hymn | See hymns in insert.

The God of Abraham Praise

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\*Prayer of Confession and Words of Assurance | In unison:

Holy and righteous God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. Violence has been in our hearts and on our lips. We have cheated you by not giving you our best, and our worship has not always been true. We turn away from our unfaithfulness and turn back to you. 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.

Minister: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

## Proclamation

Prayer for Illumination | In unison:

Lord of heaven and earth, as Jesus taught his disciples to be persistent in prayer, give us grace now to hear from your word afresh; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

\* All rise as able

## First Scripture Lesson

Malachi 3:1-18

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

## \*Gospel Lesson

Matthew 11:7-15

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

## Sermon

Advent in August

## Response

\*Response Hymn | See hymns in insert.

Take My Life

MESSIAH

## 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 Music

Allegro, from Sonata in C minor, BWV 1017

Bach

## \*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.

\* All rise as able

# Thanksgiving and Holy Communion

\*The Great Thanksgiving | Musical Setting A, found on page 17 in the hymnal.

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

\*The Lord's Prayer

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.

\*Sharing of the Bread | All who love Christ, earnestly repent of their sins, and seek to be at peace with God and neighbor are invited to receive Communion. No wine or grape juice will be served for communion. Please wait until you return to your seat to consume the bread. All bread is gluten-free. 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 Communion

Largo, from Sonata in C minor, BWV 1017

Bach

Post Communion Prayer

## Sending Forth

\*Benediction

\*Closing Hymn | See hymns at the back of the worship guide.

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

Closing Voluntary

Allegro vivace, from Sonata 2, Op. 65

Felix Mendelssohn  
(1809-1847)

\* All rise as able

## TODAY IN WORSHIP

### PRESIDING MINISTERS

The Rev. Kathryn Lester-Bacon .....*Director of Religious Life, Duke University Chapel*

The Rev. Dr. Carol Gregg.....*Pastor, Congregation at Duke Chapel*

### PREACHER

The Rev. Dr. Luke A. Powery ..... *Dean, Duke University Chapel*

### LECTORS

Ms. Ira Mueller ..... *Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel*

Mr. Jack Steele..... *Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel*

### MUSICIANS

Mr. Christopher Jacobson .....*Chapel Organist*

Mr. Matvey Lapin ..... *Violin*

**TODAY'S FLOWERS** | Today's flowers are provided by the generosity of the Erlenbach Family Trust.

**TODAY'S OFFERING** | All of today's checks written to Duke University Chapel will be given to the Chapel's Development Fund for Mission and Ministry. You are invited to give online at [chapel.duke.edu/offering](http://chapel.duke.edu/offering). Please send checks to: Duke University Chapel, Box 90974, Durham, NC 27708-0974.

## ENGAGE

**GATHERING UNDER THE ARCADES** | Worshipers who would like to greet the pastors or visit with each other are invited to gather in the shade of the arcades after worship concludes.

**MASKS REQUIRED INDOORS AT DUKE** | Face masks are required inside all Duke-owned and leased buildings, including Duke Chapel. This requirement applies to all students, faculty, staff and visitors regardless of vaccination status. The Chapel will continue to maintain specific weekday visiting hours with required registration and to limit attendance at services to 200 people with preregistration. Because COVID vaccines are a matter of public health, we encourage all eligible people to receive one. [Read more on the Duke Today website at today.duke.edu](http://today.duke.edu).

**BRYAN CENTER GARAGE PARKING PASSES** | Parking passes for Sunday mornings in the Bryan Center Parking Garage are now available. Please see an usher at the end of the service to receive a reusable pass. Parking in the Bryan Center Garage is also free until 2:30 p.m. on Sundays. When you leave, insert into the pay machine the ticket you received when you entered the garage. ADA parking is available at no charge in the Bryan Center Surface Lot, which is the lot between the garage and the Chapel.

## ENGAGE

**FELLOWSHIP EVENT THIS AFTERNOON** | Summer Camp Series for all ages continues this afternoon with “Make a Bee House” led by Poppy DeAlmeida; this is an environmentally friendly craft project for the whole family. The virtual event will be this afternoon, August 8, at 4:00 p.m. Please contact the Congregation office for the zoom link or for more information.

**INTERNSHIP FOR COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND RELIGIOUS LIFE** | The Chapel is seeking to hire an intern who will participate in relational ministry with the Durham community and also engage in multi-faith conversations through Religious Life at Duke. Students interested in student engagement, interreligious engagement, higher education administration, relational ministry, assets-based community development, and community organizing are encouraged to apply. M.Div. and M.Div/M.S.W. candidates preferred. The work schedule is 12–15 hours per week. It is a paid position. The application deadline is tomorrow, August 9. To learn more and apply, contact the Rev. Breana van Velzen, the Chapel’s community minister, at [breana.van.velzen@duke.edu](mailto:breana.van.velzen@duke.edu).

**MORE STUDENT JOBS AT THE CHAPEL** | Students participate in all aspects of the life of the Chapel from singing in concerts and serving in worship services to welcoming visitors and working behind the scenes. Students who are interested in opportunities to volunteer at the Chapel or to be a paid student worker are invited to [review the open positions on our website](#) and contact us at [dukechapel@duke.edu](mailto:dukechapel@duke.edu).

**HELP RECOGNIZE A COMMUNITY LEADER** | The Chapel is now accepting submissions for the 2021 Duke University Chapel Humanitarian Service Award, which recognizes a person who demonstrates a life of simplicity and service. The award is inspired by the lives of two Duke professors: Dr. George R. Parkerson, Jr. and the late Dr. C. Eric Lincoln. The recipient of the award is honored with a grant of up to \$3,000 given to the nonprofit they designate. Learn more and nominate someone by September 3 on [the Chapel website](#).

**DUKE CHAPEL HYMN COMPETITION** | The Chapel invites hymnwriters and poets to submit entries for its 2021 hymn competition. The winning submission will be sung in worship at the Chapel, published by MorningStar Music/ ECS Publishing Group in a collection of new and recent hymns, and will be considered for inclusion in the forthcoming Duke Chapel Hymnal. The deadline is September 15, 2021. Visit [chapel.duke.edu/hymn-competition](http://chapel.duke.edu/hymn-competition) to see the guidelines.

**NEW MEMBER CLASS** | The Congregation’s Fall new member class will begin on Sunday, September 12 at 9:45 a.m. and meet for four weeks. Students, faculty, staff, and community members are all welcome to consider membership in the Congregation. For more information, please contact Pastor Carol Gregg at [carol.gregg@duke.edu](mailto:carol.gregg@duke.edu).



## ENGAGE

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**SATURDAY SERVICE PROJECT** | The [Food Bank of Central and Eastern North Carolina](#) works to nourish people, build solutions, and empower communities so that no one goes hungry. On Saturday, August 21, from 9:00 a.m. to 12-noon, volunteers are needed to assist the Food Bank in this important work. Volunteers of all ages are asked to [register online](#) prior to arrival; COVID [safety protocols are also online](#). Volunteers will work in the air-conditioned comfort of the Durham branch of the Food Bank located at 2700 Angier Ave.

**YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY** | University graduate students, other young adults, and their partners are invited to a virtual Bible study on the second and fourth Mondays of the month. The next meeting dates are tomorrow August 9 and August 23 at 6:30 p.m. Please [contact Matt Wright](#) for additional information.

**NEW HOUSE COURSE ON FAITH AND JUSTICE** | In this time of division, learning to respect one another's humanity while addressing our deep communal needs for dignity, housing, food, healthcare, and inclusion is vital. To promote that kind of learning, Chapel Scholar Lizzy Kramer will teach a half-credit house course in the Fall 2021 semester titled "A Just Faith" (HOUSECS 59.28), with support from Chapel Community Minister Rev. Breana van Velzen. Students will have opportunities to explore their own traditions around justice topics and learn from the greater Durham community through local practitioners. To learn more, contact the Rev. Breana van Velzen at [breana.van.velzen@duke.edu](mailto:breana.van.velzen@duke.edu).

**VIRTUAL BACK PEW COLLECTION** | The Virtual Back Pew Collection for August is for Crayons2Calculators, to assist in their annual the ["Fill That Bus!" community campaign](#). Please considering helping by ordering supplies from C2C's [Amazon Wish List](#) or [Walmart Wish List](#). [Financial contributions](#) are also welcomed. Additionally, donated supplies may be dropped off at [808 Bacon St, Durham](#), on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 a.m.–4:00p.m. (enter through the entrance under the Bacon St Center sign) – or call 919-914-3847 to arrange an alternate drop-off time.

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES** | The Congregation provides weekly Sunday morning Christian education from 9:45–10:45 a.m. for all ages. Classes, which are held virtually, are open to the public and new participants are welcome at any time. Please [contact congregation@duke.edu](mailto:contact.congregation@duke.edu) for Zoom link.

**Wee Praise:** Music and movement for children ages 0–3 with parents or caregivers.

**Godly Play:** Spiritual formation for children ages 4 through 5th grade.

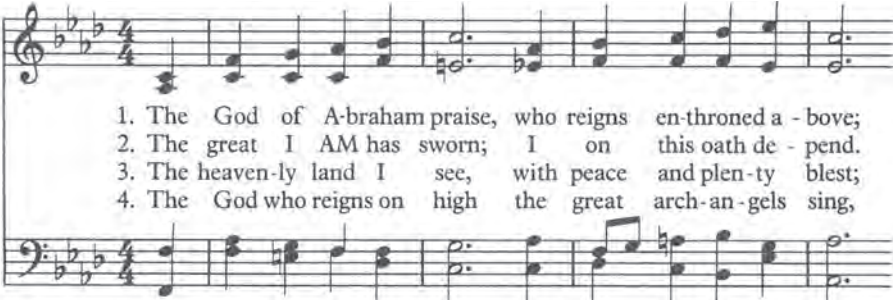
**Adult Bible Study:** On August 15 the focus will be on Zechariah led by Matt Wright, Pastoral Assistant for Youth and Young Adults, Congregation at Duke Chapel.

# HYMNS FOR AUGUST 8, 2021

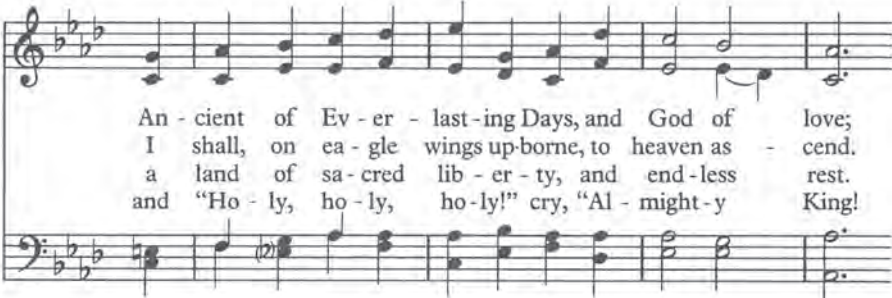
## Opening Hymn

### The God of Abraham Praise

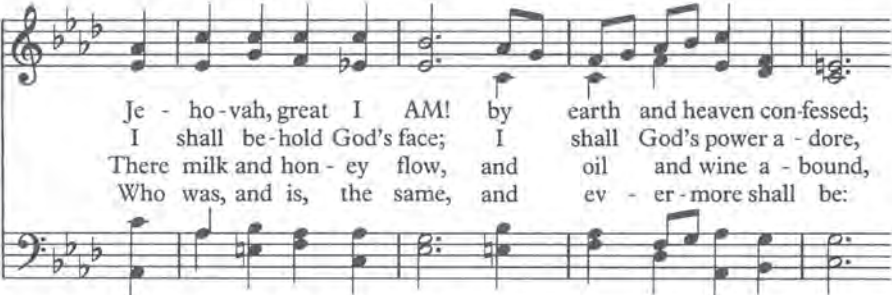
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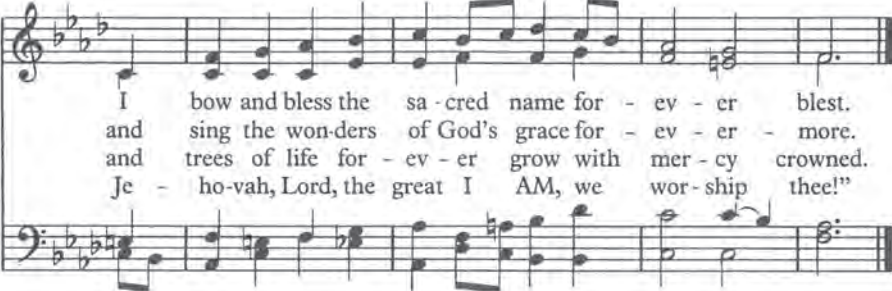
1. The God of A-bra-ham praise, who reigns en-throned a - bove;  
2. The great I AM has sworn; I on this oath de - pend.  
3. The heav-en-ly land I see, with peace and plen-ty blest;  
4. The God who reigns on high the great arch-an-gels sing,



An - cient of Ev - er - last-ing Days, and God of love;  
I shall, on ea - gle wings up-borne, to heaven as - cend.  
a land of sa - cred lib - er - ty, and end-less rest.  
and "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly!" cry, "Al - might - y King!



Je - ho-vah, great I AM! by earth and heaven confessed;  
I shall be-hold God's face; I shall God's power a - dore,  
There milk and hon - ey flow, and oil and wine a - bound,  
Who was, and is, the same, and ev - er - more shall be:



I bow and bless the sa - cred name for - ev - er blest.  
and sing the won-ders of God's grace for - ev - er - more.  
and trees of life for - ev - er grow with mer - cy crowned.  
Je - ho-vah, Lord, the great I AM, we wor-ship thee!"

WORDS: From *The Yigdal* of Daniel ben Judah, ca. 1400;  
para. by Thomas Olivers, 1760; alt.

MUSIC: Hebrew melody, *Sacred Harmony*, 1780; harm. from *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1875, alt.

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# HYMNS FOR AUGUST 8, 2021

## Response Hymn

### Take My Life

MESSIAH

1. Take my life, and let it be con - se - cra - ted,  
2. Take my voice, and let me sing al - ways, on - ly,  
3. Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no

Lord, to thee. Take my mo - ments and my days;  
for my King. Take my lips, and let them be  
long - er mine. Take my heart, it is thine own;

let them flow in cease - less praise. Take my hands, and  
filled with mes - sag - es from thee. Take my sil - ver  
it shall be thy roy - al throne. Take my love, my

let them move at the im - pulse of thy love.  
and my gold; not a mite would I with - hold.  
Lord, I pour at thy feet its trea - sure - store.


Take my feet, and let them be swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.  
Take my in - tel - lect, and use ev - ery power as thou shalt choose.  
Take my-self, and I will be ev - er, on - ly, all for thee.

# HYMNS FOR AUGUST 8, 2021


## Closing Hymn

### Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS



1. Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther; there is no  
2. Sum - mer and win - ter and spring - time and har - vest, sun, moon, and  
3. Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth, thine own dear




sha - dow of turn - ing with thee; thou chang - est not, thy com - pas - sions, they  
stars in their cours - es a - bove join with all na - ture in man - i - fold  
pres - ence to cheer and to guide; strength for to - day and bright hope for to -



fail not; as thou hast been, thou for - ev - er wilt be.  
wit - ness to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy and love.  
mor - row, bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side.

### *Refrain*



Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Morn - ing by



morn - ing new mer - cies I see; all I have need - ed thy



hand hath pro - vi - ded; great is thy faith - ful - ness, Lord, un - to me!