The final chapters of Acts end with Paul’s harrowing journey to Rome. The scripture lessons today tell the story of Paul being taken to the emperor by a centurion named Julius. Despite Paul’s warnings and the dangerous path ahead, Julius decided to sail from Lasea to Crete. While at sea the winds grew and a storm arose, and those traveling by ship experienced much loss. In the midst of the storm, an angel of the Lord visited Paul and reassured him that though the situation was dire, no one needed to fear for their lives. Paul knew that destruction and loss were inevitable, yet he had faith that God was at work making a way for him to arrive safely before the emperor.
Gathering
Prelude

Canzon vigesimasesta à 8: “La negrona”    Pietro Lappi
Canzon decimaquinta à 7: “L’arborea”    (1575–1630)

Greeting and Call to Worship

*Processional Hymn 539

O Spirit of the Living God

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

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned in word and deed, by what we have done and what we have left undone. We have withheld our treasures, been slow to welcome those we see as outsiders, resisted your transformation, and refused the leading of your Spirit. We repent and turn to you. For the sake of the Holy and Righteous One, your Son Jesus, have mercy on us. Forgive our sins and renew us by your Spirit. 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:

 Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: come now to illuminate your holy word; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

First Lesson | NT pages 139–140 in pew Bibles.

Acts 27:9–26

Lector:    This is the word of the Lord.
People:    Thanks be to God.
Second Lesson | NT page 140 in pew Bibles.

Acts 27:39–44

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

Sermon

Shipwrecked Faith

Response

*Response Hymn 405

Seek Ye First

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

Laudate Dominum

Philippe Rogier (1561–1596)

Laudate Dominum in sanctis ejus;
laudate eum in firmamento virtutis ejus.
Laudate eum in virtutibus ejus;
laudate eum secundum multitudinem magnitudinis ejus.
Laudate eum in sono tubae;
laudate eum in psalterio et cithara.
Laudate eum in tympano et choro;
laudate eum in chordis et organo.
Laudate eum in cymbalis benesontibus;
laudate eum in cymbalis jubilationis.
Omnis spiritus laudet Dominum!
O praise God in his holiness; 
praise him in the firmament of his power.
Praise him in his noble acts:
praise him according to his excellent greatness.
Praise him in the sound of the trumpet:
praise him upon the lute and harp.
Praise him in the cymbals and dances:
praise him upon the strings and pipe.
Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals:
praise him upon the loud cymbals.
Let every thing that hath breath praise the Lord.

—Psalm 150

*Doxology

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 | Musical Setting A, found on page 17 in the hymnal.

*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.
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 a Communion station on the pulpit side in the front and the back of the Chapel. A gluten-free option is available from a server positioned by Memorial Chapel and a server positioned opposite the attendant’s desk near the narthex. 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 Music

Sing to the Lord           Giovanni Gabrieli
(Song to the Lord)        (1557–1612)

Sing to the Lord our God and make a joyful noise
to the rock of our salvation.
Know that the Lord is a great God and a great King above all gods.
Sing of his glory and come before his presence with thanksgiving.
Rejoice before the Lord and come before his presence with thanksgiving.

—Psalm 95, adapt.

*Post-Communion Prayer

Sending Forth

*Benediction

*Closing Hymn 715

Rejoice, the Lord Is King           Darwell’s 148th

Closing Voluntary

Sonata à 6           Giovanni Battista Buonamente
(c. 1595–1642)
TODAY IN WORSHIP

Presiding Ministers
Kathryn Lester-Bacon .................. Director of Religious Life, Duke University Chapel
Carol Gregg ............................... Pastor, Congregation at Duke Chapel

Preacher
Bruce Puckett .......................... Assistant Dean, Duke University Chapel

Lectors
Tamela Davis .......................... Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel
Drew Middleton ........................ Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel

Musicians
Leah Peroutka .......................... Violin
Clément Gester, Lilli Pätzold ........ Cornetto
Rebecca Clemens, Dalton Harris, Michael Kris,
Norbert Salvenmoser, Lukas Schwingenschuh ........................ Sackbut
Brent Wissick .......................... Viola da Gamba
Catherine Kelly, Alissa Roca, Avery Seiger, Mandy Traylor ............ Soprano
Roseen Giles, Kirsten Overdahl, Tamsin Simmill ........................ Alto
Michael Accinno, Henry Branson, Zachary Taylor ........................ Tenor
David Faircloth, Christopher Short ........................ Bass
Jane Lynch .............................. Guest Organist
Philip Cave ............................. Associate Conductor for Chapel Music

Head Usher
James Ferguson ....................... Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel

Today’s Offering | All of today’s cash offerings and checks will support human service organizations in the greater Durham area. Send checks to: Duke University Chapel, Box 90974, Durham, NC 27708-0974. You are invited to give online at chapel.duke.edu/offering.

Today’s Flowers | Flowers for today’s worship service are provided by the generosity of the Terry Sanford Chapel Flowers Fund.

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

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 and beyond. This morning we give thanks for Religious Life at Duke.
Snackluck Today | All are invited to attend a snackluck in the Chapel lounge, located in the lower level of the Chapel immediately followship worship today. A snackluck is a time to eat a variety of snacks and visit with other worshipers. Please head downstairs to attend the “Hot Diggity Dog Days of Summer Snackluck.”

2022–23 Duke Chapel Concert Season | This year, the Chapel’s concert season will resound with songs praising God’s goodness and reiterating the church’s desire for a more just world. The season begins with settings of the Magnificat, with its prophetic reminders of God’s justice, featured in the Bach Cantata program on September 18. The theme of justice and praise continues in a concert by the Jason Max Ferdinand Singers, Jazz Vespers services, and a Lenten program of Black spirituals and German chorales. The spring oratorio brings the theme to its culmination with Franz Joseph Haydn’s Missa in Angustiis (“Mass for Troubled Times”), and the world premiere of a new setting of Martín Espada’s poem “Heal the Cracks in the Bell of the World” for choir, carillon, and orchestra. The season also features perennial favorites such as Handel’s Messiah, the organ recital series, and the myriad worship services led by the Chapel’s marvelous choirs, organists, and guest musicians. We hope that you will join us as we add our voice to Mary’s, singing of God’s justice, mercy, and peace. Visit chapel.duke.edu/music to see the full schedule.

Back Pew Collection | Help Durham school children get needed school supplies as the new school year begins! With the community’s help, Crayons2Calculators (C2C) helps equip Durham Public School teachers with the classroom supplies they need to reduce barriers to success for every Durham Public School student. Today and next Sunday, August 21, the Congregation will collect items for C2C on the back pew of the Chapel. Items most needed are: notebook paper, composition books (college rule), crayons (boxes of 16 or 24), hand sanitizer (small 8 oz. size bottles), blunt nose scissors, rulers, white glue (small), color markers (12-packs), pencil bags/pouches to hold 1 dozen pencils, and black permanent markers.

Welcoming Students Back to Campus | We look forward to welcoming students back to campus over the coming weeks! By participating in the life of the Chapel, as well as by joining campus Religious Life groups, students can connect their faith with their education at Duke. Visit chapel.duke.edu/students to see the many ways students bridge faith and learning through Chapel programs and ministries.
Chapel Choir Auditions and Open Rehearsals | The Duke Chapel Choir begins its 2022–2023 season on August 24, and students, staff, and community members are invited to participate! All are welcome to attend open rehearsals on Wednesday, August 24 (6:00–8:00 pm) and Sunday, August 28 (9:00–10:30 am). Auditions for the choir will be held by appointment from August 29 through September 2. To schedule an audition online, visit https://oufneffes-free.10to8.com. For questions about the audition process, or to inquire about the Chapel’s other choirs, email chapelmusic@duke.edu.

Saturday Service Project—Crop Drop | Join Duke Religious Life groups and Durham community members to pack bags of potatoes for local organizations providing food to people in need. This event on August 27 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. is hosted by Religious Life at Duke and the Society of St. Andrew. Volunteers will meet between the East Duke building and the East Campus Gazebo. For those driving, parking will be available behind Epworth building. To take the bus, ride the #11 city bus or the C1 campus bus. Visit chapel.duke.edu/CropDrop to learn more and sign up.

Choral Evensong | The first Choral Evensong worship service of the semester will be Sunday, August 28, at 4:00 p.m. Choral Evensong is a historic liturgy derived from Vespers and Compline, ancient monastic prayer services of the Christian church. Evensong at the Chapel follows the Book of Common Prayer, and features stirring choral and organ music of the English cathedral tradition, led by the Chapel’s Evensong Singers.

Durham Pilgrimage of Pain and Hope This Fall | Join students and Duke community members for the weekend of September 9–11 to discover how your spiritual journey is connected to our city of Durham. The pilgrimage is led by DurhamCares, a local nonprofit with a mission to foster collaboration, develop leaders, and educate the people of Durham to care for their neighbors in holistic ways. Space on the pilgrimage is limited. Contact the Chapel’s community minister, the Rev. Breana van Velzen, by August 25 to learn more and sign up.
Humanitarian Service Award Nominations | The Chapel’s Humanitarian Service Award aims to recognize and lift up individuals who have demonstrated both a long-term commitment to serving others and a lifestyle marked by simplicity. The recipient of the award is honored with a grant of up to $3,000 given to the nonprofit they designate. Read more about the award and nominate someone by September 2 at chapel.duke.edu/community.

New Parking Passes | The new year for campus parking passes runs from August 16, 2022, through August 15, 2023. Parking passes are available for the Bryan Center Garage that are valid for Sundays between 6:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. The parking pass, which is the size of a business card, has an image which can be scanned at the parking entrance and exit. Free passes for Sunday morning use will be available in the coming weeks. Current parking pass cards will expire September 19, 2022.

Small Group Ministry | The Congregation’s small group ministry is called “Life Together Groups.” The ministry focuses on sharing life and prayers in a comfortable and confidential setting to deepen relational ties with one another. Life Together Groups meet every other week for seventy-five minutes at a time. Four Life Together Groups have been meeting for two years by Zoom and all groups welcome new participants. In addition, new groups may be formed according to interest. Please contact Pastor Carol Gregg at carol.gregg@duke.edu for more information.

Sunday Morning Classes | Sunday morning Christian Education classes are available for all ages. New participants are welcome at any time. Please contact congregation@duke.edu for additional information or Zoom link.

Wee Praise: Music and movement for children ages 0–3 with parents or caregivers (available virtually).
Godly Play: Spiritual formation for children ages 4 through 5th grade (available virtually).
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.