



Duke
UNIVERSITY
CHAPEL

BRIDGING FAITH & LEARNING

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Opening Sunday

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, August 16, 2020, 11:00 a.m.



Colors from a Chapel stained-glass window

James Todd, Chapel Communications Manager, 2020

The week has been unique in the life of the university as first year students and sophomores have made their way to campus. Being part of the Duke community will look different for everyone this year, and yet opportunities for learning, growth, and relationships abound. This Sunday we remember the many new faces on campus and eagerly anticipate getting to know the new members of the Duke community in the coming semester. We invite you to make the Chapel an integral part of your Duke experience. We hope that in the midst of exciting and sometimes difficult life transitions, the Chapel will be a place where you come to encounter Christ—and to discover a life shaped by joy, friendship, purpose, and faithfulness. We desire to walk with you in your journey of faith, as we seek together to respond to God's all-inclusive love at Duke, in Durham, and in the world.

Gathering

Carillon

Opening Voluntary

Chant de Paix (Song of Peace)

Jean Langlais
(1907–1991)

Greeting and Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn | See hymns at the back of the bulletin.

In Christ There Is No East or West

MCKEE

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

Transgression speaks to the wicked deep in our hearts;
there is no fear of you, O God, before our eyes.

For we flatter ourselves in our own eyes
that our iniquity cannot be found out and hated.

The words of our mouths are mischief and deceit;
we have ceased to act wisely and do good.

We plot mischief while on our beds; we are set on a way that is not good;
and we do not reject evil.

Yet your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens,
and your faithfulness to the clouds.

Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains,
and your judgments are like the great deep;
you save humans and animals alike, O Lord.

Forgive us we pray, and free us for joyful obedience through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Text: Adapted from Psalm 36

The minister speaks words of assurance.

*Greeting of 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

Gracious Father, inspire us by your word and revive your Church in our day, and make her holy, strong, and faithful, for your glory's sake in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Psalmody

Psalm 150

John Harper
(b. 1947)

Aleluya, aleluya.
Praise God in his holy place,
Praise God in his mighty heavens,
Praise God for his powerful deeds,
Praise his surpassing greatness.

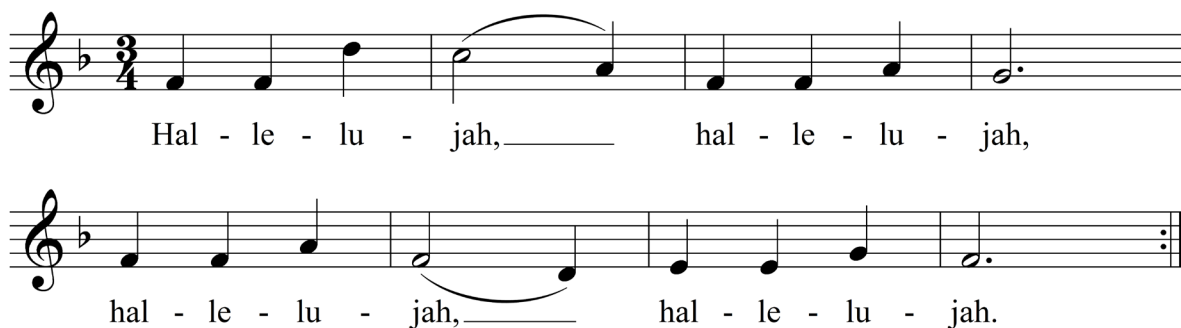
Aleluya, aleluya.
O praise God with sound of trumpet,
Praise God with strings and harp,
Praise God with timbrel and dance,
Praise God with strings and pipe.

Aleluya, aleluya.
O praise God with resounding cymbals,
Praise God with clashing of cymbals.
Let everything that lives and that breathes
Give praise to the Lord.
Aleluya, aleluya, aleluya.

First Lesson

2 Samuel 6:14–22

* **Gospel Acclamation** | Sung the first time by the cantor, then by all.



Hal - le - lu - jah, _____ hal - le - lu - jah,
hal - le - lu - jah, _____ hal - le - lu - jah.

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. (*John 6:68*)

Hallelujah...

*Gospel Lesson

Luke 1:46–55

Sermon

Praise During Pandemics

Response

*Response Hymn | Please join the cantors on the Refrain. See hymns at the back of the bulletin.

Oh, Praise the Gracious Power

CHRISTPRAISE RAY

*Affirmation of Faith

Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens,
your faithfulness to the clouds.

Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains,
your judgments are like the great deep;
you save humans and animals alike, O Lord.

How precious is your steadfast love, O God!

All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

They feast on the abundance of your house,
and you give them drink from the river of your delights.

For with you is the fountain of life;
in your light we see light. Amen.

Text: Psalm 36:5–9

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.

Offering

*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

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.

Sending Forth

Choral Benediction (Virtual)

The Spirit of the Lord

Zebulon M. Highben

May the Spirit of the Lord rest upon you;
the Spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the Spirit of counsel and might,
the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.
Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel,
who alone has done wondrous things.

Text: Isaiah 11:2, Psalm 72:18, adapt.

*Benediction

*Closing Hymn | See hymns at the back of the bulletin.

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN

Closing Voluntary

Chant de Joie (Song of Joy)

Jean Langlais

Carillon

TODAY IN WORSHIP

PRESIDING MINISTER

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

PREACHER

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

LECTOR

Ms. Grace Feng.....*PathWays Fellow, Trinity '20*

MUSICIANS

Dr. Zebulon Highben.....*Director of Chapel Music, Duke University Chapel*
Mr. Christopher Jacobson.....*Chapel Organist, Duke University Chapel*
Ms. Katie Elkin.....*Divinity '22*

ONLINE MINISTER

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

TODAY'S OFFERING | Today's offerings will be used to support the Chapel's PathWays program. You are invited to give online at gifts.duke.edu/chapel. Please send checks to: Duke University Chapel, Box 90974, Durham, NC 27708-0974.

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JOIN A RELIGIOUS LIFE GROUP | Students can deepen their faith and make friends through Religious Life groups. Duke has more than twenty Religious Life groups representing a wide range of faith traditions, including Catholic, Hindu, Latter-Day Saints, Jewish, Muslim, and a variety of Protestant denominations. See how to connect with Religious Life leaders at chapel.duke.edu/ReligiousLife. For questions, contact the Chapel's director of Religious Life, the Rev. Kathryn Lester-Bacon, at kathryn.lester.bacon@duke.edu.

FALL CLASSES CONNECTED TO THE CHAPEL | This semester, students are taking courses with ties to the Chapel. Undergraduates are taking two house courses connected to Chapel ministries: "Just Faith" and "Religion Across Boundaries;" house courses, which are half-credit classes, are taught by fellow undergraduate students with a faculty supervisor. Undergraduate and graduate students are also enrolling in the full-credit Chapel Choir course. Divinity School students are enrolled in "Introduction to Christian Preaching" with Chapel Dean Luke Powery and "The Role and Function of Music in Corporate Worship" with Chapel Music Director Zebulon Highben. Students who wish to enroll in one of the courses should sign up through the registrar.

JOIN THE CHAPEL'S CHOIRS | The Duke Chapel Choir is holding open virtual auditions for the fall! Make new friends, learn great choral music in weekly Zoom gatherings, and add your voice to "virtual choir" recording projects. All Duke students, faculty, staff, and community members are invited to audition. Visit chapel.duke.edu/sing to learn more. Contact chapelmusic@duke.edu to schedule a Chapel Choir audition, or inquire about the Chapel's Vespers Ensemble and Evensong Singers.

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SUPPORTING ONLINE WORSHIP | Beginning this Sunday, people joining in the Chapel's live, online Sunday morning worship services can expect to see a few format changes intended to support them in worshipping from home via computers, televisions, and mobile devices. Each Sunday, a minister will be active in the chat section of the YouTube livestream to direct participants to liturgical resources, share ways of becoming involved in the life of the Chapel, and providing pastoral responses to any questions or comments. During the service, the livestream will display the lyrics and music of the hymns as Chapel musicians play and sing them, strengthening the musical experience for people participating from home. The words for congregational prayers will also be displayed in the video livestream.

'THE CHRISTIAN IMAGINATION' BOOK GROUP | Beginning August 18, a group of ministers, community members, and students are gathering online twice-a-month to discuss the book *The Christian Imagination: Theology and the Origins of Race* by the Rev. Dr. Willie Jennings, associate professor of systematic theology and Africana studies at Yale Divinity School. Co-organized by the community group DurhamCares, the first online meeting is Tuesday, August 18, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. and the following meetings will be at the same time on the first and third Tuesdays of each month; the final meeting will be on Tuesday, December 15. To receive a Zoom link to participate in the discussion, [register for free here](#). For more information, email the Chapel's community minister, the Rev. Breana van Velzen, at breana.van.velzen@duke.edu.

ASSOCIATE CONDUCTOR ON THE RADIO | Dr. Philip Cave, associate conductor for Chapel Music, was on the WCPE Radio's *Great Sacred Music* program this morning to discuss a setting of the classic *Ave Maria* text by the sixteenth-century English composer Robert Parsons. Check the Chapel website this week to listen to his commentary and a recording of the piece Dr. Cave directed with the choir Magnificat.

MUSIC DIRECTOR WINS AWARD | For its 2020 Hymn Search, The Hymn Society in the United States and Canada has selected a hymn by Chapel Music Director Dr. Zebulon Highben, who is also an associate professor of the practice of church music at Duke Divinity School. Titled "The Rain Falls in Its Season," the hymn has original music and text by Highben. In selecting the hymn, the society cited its "well-crafted language and its articulation of the cyclical nature of life and death." As the winning hymn, it will be published in the society's journal and also released through MorningStar Music.

GRAD STUDENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS | University graduate students, other young adults, and their partners are invited to a virtual Bible study on Mondays, August 24 and September 14, at 6:30 p.m. All questions and perspectives are welcome. Please contact Matt Wright at matthew.r.wright@duke.edu for login information.

SPIRITUAL CLASSIC | *Interior Castle*, a spiritual classic, will be the focus of a six-week book group starting on Wednesday, August 26. *Interior Castle*, written by Teresa of Avila and translated by Mirabai Starr, describes seven stages of spiritual development leading to the soul's final union with the divine. Teresa, who lived in the 1500's, is still widely read today. The book groups will meet on Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. by Zoom. For login information, please contact congregation@duke.edu.

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CARILLON LIVESTREAM | You are invited to participate virtually in an ongoing campus tradition. Listen live online to the playing of the Duke Chapel carillon bells weekdays at 5:00 p.m. on the Duke Chapel Facebook page at facebook.com/dukechapel.

LIFE TOGETHER GROUPS | The Congregation at Duke Chapel will offer a small group discipleship program starting in late August and continuing to mid-December. These “Life Together Groups” will help participants to grow spiritually in community with others. Both university students and community members are invited to participate. Life Together Groups will meet for 60 to 75 minutes every other week for conversation, prayer, laughter, and connection. The book, [*We Make the Road by Walking*](#), will provide some gentle structure for the groups. The primary purpose of the groups is spiritual fellowship and growth. All groups will meet virtually until further notice. Five groups are now forming. [Please sign up here for Life Together Groups](#). For more information, [please contact Michael Larbi](#).

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEXT SUNDAY | Online classes for all ages are offered Sunday mornings at 9:45 a.m. Please see the Congregation’s eNews for links or contact the Congregation office at congregation@duke.edu. Classes are:

Wee Praise: For children who are infants through age 3 with parents or caregivers

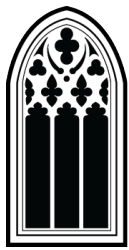
Godly Play: For children age 4 through 5th grade

Bible Study on the Psalms: Focus on Psalm 107 and the topic of gratitude led by Dr. Norm Wirzba, Professor of Christian Theology at Duke Divinity School and Ms. Gretchen Ziegenhals, Managing Director of Leadership Education at Duke Divinity School

FALL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION SCHEDULE | The Congregation, which offers Sunday morning classes for all ages, will begin their fall schedule on August 30. These classes are part of a year-round education ministry for all ages and are held on Sunday mornings from 9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. All classes are provided virtually until further notice.

- Wee Praise –A class of music and movement for infants to 3-year-olds led by Kate DeAlmeida
- Godly Play –A class of spiritual formation for children age 4–5th grade led by Phyllis Snyder
- Youth Bible Study –A study of Ezekiel-Malachi for students in 6th–12th grades led by Matt Wright
- Adult Forum –A variety of speakers presenting on diverse topics coordinated by Nelson Strother
- Adult Bible Study –A study of Ecclesiastes starting September 13 led by Nathaniel Metz

For detailed information please sign-up for the Congregation’s weekly eNewsletter by contacting congregation@duke.edu.



Opening Hymn

In Christ There is No East or West

MCKEE

1 In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north,
2 In Christ shall true hearts ev-'ry-where their high com - mu - nion find;
3 Join hands, dis - ci - ples of the faith, what-e'er your race may be.
4 In Christ now meet both east and west, in him meet south and north;

but one com - mu - ni - ty of love through-out the whole wide earth.
his ser - vice is the gold - en cord close bind - ing hu - man-kind.
All chil-dren of the liv - ing God are sure - ly kin to me.
all Christ-ly souls are one in him through-out the whole wide earth.

Text: John Oxenham, 1852–1941, alt.

Music: MCKEE, African American spiritual; adapt. Harry T. Burleigh, 1866–1949

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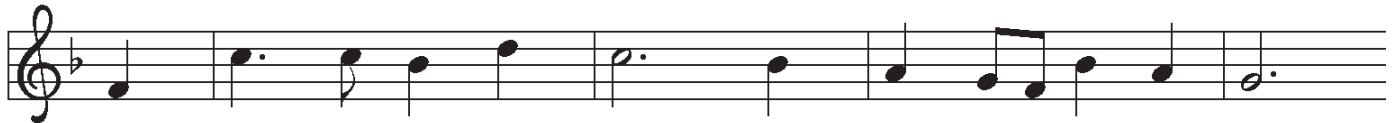


Response Hymn

Oh, Praise the Gracious Power

CHRISTPRAISE RAY

Please join the cantors in singing the refrain.

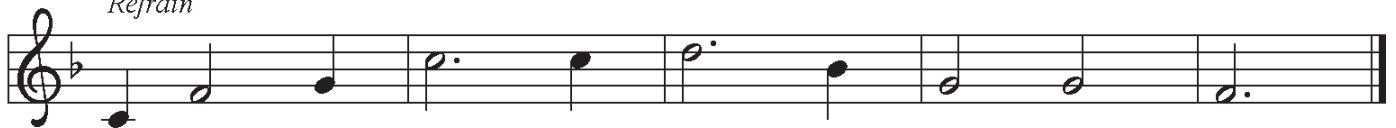


- 1 Oh, praise the gra - cious pow'r that tum - bles walls of fear
- 2 Oh, praise per - sis - tent truth that o - pens fist - ed minds
- 3 Oh, praise in - clu - sive love, en - cir - cling ev - 'ry race,
- 4 Oh, praise the word of faith that claims us as God's own,
- 5 Oh, praise the tide of grace that laps at ev - 'ry shore



and gath - ers in one house of faith all strang - ers far and near:
and eas - es from their anx - ious clutch the prej - u - dice that blinds:
ob - liv - i - ous to gen - der, wealth, to so - cial rank or place:
a liv - ing tem - ple built on Christ, our rock and cor - ner - stone:
with vi - sions of a world at peace, no lon - ger bled by war:

Refrain



We praise you, Christ! Your cross has made us one!

- 6 Oh, praise the pow'r, the truth,
the love, the word, the tide.
Yet more than these, oh, praise their source,
praise Christ the crucified: *Refrain*
- 7 Oh, praise the living Christ
with faith's bright songful voice!
Announce the gospel to the world
and with these words rejoice: *Refrain*

Text: Thomas H. Troeger, b. 1945

Music: CHRISTPRAISE RAY, Carol Doran, b. 1936

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Closing Hymn

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN

1. Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
 2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so won - drous - ly
 3. Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy work and de -
 4. Praise to the Lord, who with mar - vel - ous wis - dom hath

a - tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
 reign - eth, shel - ters thee un - der his wings, yea, so
 fend thee! Sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy here
 made thee, decked thee with health, and with lov - ing hand

health and sal - va - tion! All ye who hear; now to his
 gent - ly sus - tain - eth! Hast thou not seen how thy de -
 dai - ly at - tend thee. Pon - der a - new what the Al -
 guid - ed and stayed thee. How oft in grief hath not he

tem - ple draw near; join me in glad a - do - ra - tion.
 sires e'er have been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?
 might - y will do, if with his love he be - friends thee.
 brought thee re - lief, spread - ing his wings to o'er - shade thee!