Let's keep in touch

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The Congregation at Duke University Chapel joyfully welcomes all persons regardless of age, race, class, origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, or any other distinction and invites membership and participation in all of its ministries.

Please email congregation@duke.edu to receive the weekly eNews.

Today’s lessons illustrate God’s all-inclusive welcome. In the lesson from Isaiah, God’s community expands to include any who join themselves to the Lord for God’s house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples. Likewise, the gospel lesson from Matthew highlights God’s expanding community. The story of Jesus and the Canaanite woman suggests that it is not the external actions that determine purity before God but the internal disposition of the heart. A heart properly disposed towards God has deeper roots than those who only worship through external actions.
Gathering
Organ Voluntary

The Carman’s Whistle          William Byrd
(c. 1543–1623)

Choral Introit

Lord, make me to know            W. Byrd

Lord, make me to know thy ways, O Lord.
O Lord, teach me thy paths, O Lord.
O lead me in thy truth, and teach me,
for thou art the God of my salvation.

— Psalm 25:4–5

Greeting and Call to Worship

*Processional Hymn | UMH 139

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN

*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.

Minister: The peace of Christ be with you.
People: And also with you.

ENGAGE

Chapel Flowers | If you would like to honor a loved one and the worshiping
community of the Duke Chapel with a gift of flowers to decorate the chancel
for Sunday worship, please contact Angela Flynn, coordinator of worship and
ministry, at angela.flynn@duke.edu.

New Members Welcome | The Congregation at Duke Chapel invites
visitors and regular attendees to consider congregation membership. Members
of the Congregation initiate and participate in ministries of education, mission,
and fellowship beyond Sunday mornings. A four-week new member class is
offered each fall and spring. For more information, please contact pastor Carol
at carol.gregg@duke.edu.

Sunday Morning Classes | Sunday morning Christian Education classes are
offered 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. Please contact congregation@duke.edu for additional
information.

Wee Praise: Music and movement for children ages 0–3 with parents or
caregivers in 0011 Westbrook
Godly Play: Spiritual formation for children age 4 –1st grade in 0054
Langford
Godly Play Advanced: Spiritual formation for children in 2nd–5th grades in
0050 Langford
Youth Program: Youth in 6th–12th grades will explore Joshua, Judges, and
Ruth in 0015 Westbrook
Adult Forum: On August 27, the Pastor Search Committee will report on
their progress and invite input from members and friends in 0013 Westbrook
and over Zoom

*All rise as able
Crop Drop Service Project | Join campus Religious Life groups, as well as Duke and Durham community members, on Saturday, August 26, from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on East Campus for the annual Crop Drop. Start the fall semester by helping to feed the community as we sort and bag 30,000 pounds of potatoes, which will then be delivered to local organizations that serve people in need. Learn more and sign up at chapel.duke.edu/cropdrop.

Matter + Spirit Exhibition on Display | The artwork on display in the Chapel is from Matter + Spirit: A Chinese/American Exhibition, in which seventeen contemporary Chinese and American artists engage perennial tensions between the material and the spiritual in human life and in society. The mix-media exhibition is presented by Duke Initiatives in Theology and the Arts. Learn more at chapel.duke.edu/art.

Chapel Choir Open Rehearsals | The Chapel Choir will host open rehearsals on Wednesday, August 23, at 6:30 p.m., and on Sunday, August 27, at 9:15 a.m. All students, faculty, staff, and community members are welcome to attend either or both rehearsals. Contact chapelmusic@duke.edu for more information.

Choir Auditions | Duke Chapel’s choral ensembles—the Chapel Choir, Evensong Singers, and Vespers Ensemble—resume rehearsals and worship leadership in late August. Auditions are open to students, faculty, staff, and members of the broader Duke and Durham communities. For more information or to schedule an audition, please contact the Chapel Music office at chapelmusic@duke.edu or 919-684-3898.

Chapel Music Concert Season | This year the Chapel’s music season will mark important milestones, including the university’s centennial, the ninetieth anniversary of the Chapel’s presentation of Handel’s Messiah, and the 300th anniversary of the premiere of Bach’s St. John Passion. It will also celebrate the groundbreaking work of jazz composer Mary Lou Williams as well as the music of new and beloved guest artists such as Conspirare, Julian Davis Reid, the King’s Singers, Anton Armstrong, and the National Lutheran Choir. See the schedule at chapel.duke.edu/music.

Proclamation
Prayer for Illumination | In unison:

God of our pilgrimage, you have willed that the gate of mercy should stand open for those who trust in you: Send your Spirit now to illuminate your holy word; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson | OT page 645 in pew Bibles.

Isaiah 56:1, 6–8

Lector: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalmody | Sung by the choir.

Psalm 119:33–38 W. Byrd

Teach me, O Lord, the way of thy statutes: and I shall keep it unto the end.
Give me understanding, and I shall keep thy law: yea, I shall keep it with my whole heart.
Make me to go in the path of thy commandments: for therein is my desire.
Incline my heart unto thy testimonies: and not to covetousness.
O turn away mine eyes, lest they behold vanity: and quicken thou me in thy way.
O stablish thy word in thy servant: that I may fear thee.

*Gospel Lesson | NT page 16 in pew Bibles.

Matthew 15:21–28

Lector: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.
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 | Please sign and pass the attendance pads located in the pew at the center aisle.

Ave verum corpus


Hail the true body, born of the Virgin Mary: You who truly suffered and were sacrificed on the cross for the sake of man. From whose pierced flank flowed water and blood: Be a foretaste for us in the trial of death. O sweet, O merciful, O Jesus, Son of Mary. Have mercy on me. Amen.

—14th century, attrib. to Pope Innocent V

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William Byrd Evensong Service Tonight | A special Choral Evensong service today at 4:00 p.m. will draw upon the music of the English composer William Byrd, marking the recent 400th anniversary of Byrd’s death. The service will feature works in Latin, including the hymn “Christe qui lux es et dies” and the anthem “Justorum animae.”

LGBTQ+ Fellowship | Members of the LGBTQ+ community and their allies are invited to attend the monthly fellowship gathering today after worship in the Congregation Office, located in the lower level of the Chapel. All are welcome to attend. Please contact congregation@duke.edu for more information.

Young Adult Dinner and Discussion Tomorrow | Please join friendly people for a simple dinner and Bible study that will focus on the experience of University graduate students, younger adults, and their partners. The next gathering will be tomorrow, Monday, August 21, at 6:30 p.m. in the Chapel kitchen, located in the lower level of the Chapel. The group will explore the Gospel of John. All are welcome, and we encourage questions and a range of perspectives. Please contact evan.bille@duke.edu for additional information.

Organ Demonstrations Resume | Organ demonstrations resume this academic year on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 1:00–1:45 p.m. Like an “open rehearsal,” demonstrations provide opportunity to hear the Chapel organists play music in an informal setting. Please visit the website calendar at chapel.duke.edu/events to confirm that a rehearsal is happening on a given day.

Lasagnas and Volunteers Needed | The Congregation serves dinner at Urban Ministries of Durham once a month. Donated lasagnas to serve twenty-four (such as two, party-sized Stouffer’s lasagnas) are needed on Wednesday, August 23, and Sunday, September 10, both at 5:00 p.m. Volunteers are needed to stay to serve the meal. To donate or volunteer, please contact congregation@duke.edu.
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 Office of Counsel.

Restrooms in Divinity School | Public restrooms are available in the Divinity School. To access them, exit the Chapel through the main front doors and enter the Divinity School. Restrooms are along the hallway in the Divinity School.

Register Your Attendance Today | Let us know you are here. There is an attendance pad located in the pew at the center aisle. Please use it to register your presence today at this service, and then pass it to the next person in the pew. This is an opportunity for you to get to know the names of others in your pew and for Chapel ministers to know who is in the pews.

Listen-Assist Smartphone App | A new smartphone app lets you use your own phone and earbuds to listen in the pews to services. Stop by the AV console in the sanctuary on the way into a service for an easy two-step process to connect to the sound system.

Welcome Students | We are delighted to welcome students to campus as they arrive for orientation and other programs. Duke Chapel and Religious Life at Duke offer undergraduate and graduate students many ways to connect their faith and learning. Learn more at chapel.duke.edu/students.

New Organ Scholar | Katherine Johnson is this year’s organ scholar through the American Guild of Organists Organ Scholar Program with Duke Chapel. Johnson is a recent graduate of Oberlin College and Conservatory, earning degrees in organ performance and English. As an organ scholar, she will play the organ during services in the Chapel and at Duke Divinity School, assist with weekly choir rehearsals, and receive regular lessons and coaching in organ playing, accompanying, conducting, composing, and vocal techniques.

Canned Food Drive | Donations for the Food Bank of Central and Eastern North Carolina may be placed on the back pew of the Chapel today.

*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 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 text is found on page 895 at the back of 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 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 Anthems

Agnus Dei (from Mass for Four Voices) W. Byrd

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.
Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

–Proper of the Mass, traditional
Prevent us, O Lord

Prevent us, O Lord, in all our doings with thy most gracious favour, and further us with thy continual help; that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in thee, we may glorify thy holy name. And finally by thy mercy, obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

—Book of Common Prayer, 1549

*TODAY IN WORSHIP*

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Kathryn Lester-Bacon ......................... Director of Religious Life, Duke University Chapel
Racquel Gill ......................... Minister for Intercultural Engagement, Duke University Chapel

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

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**Musicians**
Byrd Ensemble ............................... Choir
Philip Cave ............................... Conductor-in-Residence, Duke University Chapel
Chad Fothergill ............................... Chapel Organist, Duke University Chapel
Katherine Johnson ......................... Organ Scholar, Duke University Chapel
Kirsten Overdahl ......................... Soloist

**Head Usher**
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. Give online at chapel.duke.edu/offering. Send checks to: Duke University Chapel, Box 90974, Durham, NC 27708-0974.

**Today’s Music** | Today, we celebrate the 400th anniversary of the death of William Byrd (c. 1543–1623), one of the greatest of all English composers. Living and writing during a period of intense religious turbulence, and social and political uncertainty, Byrd’s sacred music represents a pinnacle of personal devotion and craftsmanship. A life-long Catholic, Byrd wrote sacred music for both public and private use, including Latin masses and motets, and English canticles and anthems. This morning, we hear a selection of his music including Lord, make me to know (an arrangement of a keyboard work), an English verse-anthem, Teach me, O Lord, where soloist and chorus sing alternately. The eucharistic motet Ave verum corpus and the Agnus Dei from his Mass for Four Voices are among Byrd’s most beautiful and admired works. More of Byrd’s music can be heard at a special Choral Evensong today at 4:00 p.m.

**Today’s Flowers** | The flowers for the worship service today are given in memory of Terry Sanford’s birthday by his family.