The week has been special in the life of the university, as new students and faculty have made their way to campus and have been oriented to the Duke community. Orientation Sunday is filled with new faces, new energy, and warm welcome. 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

Opening Voluntary

Andante Sostenuto, from *Symphonie Gothique*, Op. 70  Charles-Marie Widor  
(1685–1750)

Introit

Locus iste  

*Locus iste a Deo factus est,  
inaestimabile sacramentum, irreprehensibilis est*  

*This place was made by God,  
a priceless sacrament; it is without reproach.*

Anton Bruckner  
(1844–1937)

Greeting and Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn 61 | The hymnal is located in the pew rack.*

*Come, Thou Almighty King*  

**ITALIAN HYMN**

*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.

Proclamation

Prayer for Illumination | In unison:

*All rise as able*

Lord Jesus Christ, you alone have the words of eternal life: send your Holy Spirit to grant us wisdom and understanding from your holy word; in your name we pray, Amen.
New Testament Lesson

Ephesians 6:10–20

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

Fight the Good Fight

John Gardner
(1917–2011)

Fight the good fight with all thy might,
Christ is thy strength and Christ thy right;
Lay hold on life and it shall be
thy joy and crown eternally.

Run the straight race through God's good grace,
lift up thine eyes and seek his face;
Life with its way before us lies,
Christ is the path and Christ the prize.

Cast care aside, be on thy guide:
his boundless mercy will provide;
trust, and thy trusting soul shall prove
Christ is its life, and Christ its love.

Faint not, nor fear, his arms are near;
he changeth not, and thou art dear;
only believe and thou shalt see
that Christ is all in all to thee.

J. S. B. Monsell (1811–1875)

*Gospel Lesson

John 6:56–69

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Standing in the Struggle

* All rise as able
Response

*Response Hymn 519 | The hymnal is located in the pew rack.

Lift Every Voice and Sing

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.

Student Ministry Announcement

Offertory Music

God of Grace

Paul O. Manz
(1844–1937)
arr. Jonathan Crutchfield

*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

*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.

* All rise as able
*Choral Benediction

Bwana awabariki
Bwana awabariki milele.
Ukimcha Bwana. Bwana awabariki.

May God grant you a blessing evermore.
Revere the Lord. May God grant you a blessing.

*Choral Benediction

*Closing Hymn 577 | The hymnal is located in the pew rack.

God of Grace and God of Glory

Closing Voluntary

Allegro moderato e serioso (from Sonata I)

TODAY IN WORSHIP

PRESIDING MINISTERS
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

LECTORS
Mr. Santino Panzica .................. Chapel Scholar, Trinity ’24
Ms. Katie Spencer .................. Chapel Scholar, Duke Wesley Fellowship, Pratt ’23

STUDENT LEADERS
Ms. Caroline Gamard .................. Chapel Scholar, Episcopal Center, Trinity ’22
Mr. Andrew Raines .................. Chapel Scholar, Episcopal Center, Trinity ’21

MUSICIANS
Duke Chapel Choir .................. Choir
Dr. Zebulon Highben .................. Director of Chapel Music, Duke University Chapel
Dr. Robert Parkins .................. University Organist, Duke University
Mr. Christopher Jacobson ............. Chapel Organist, Duke University Chapel
Mr. Paul Neebe .................. Trumpet, Amalgam Brass
Mr. Alex Fioto .................. Trumpet, Amalgam Brass
Mr. Dakota Corbliss .................. Horn, Amalgam Brass
Mr. Mike Kris .................. Trombone, Amalgam Brass
Mr. Steve Truckenbrod ................. Tuba, Amalgam Brass
ENGLISH

LUNCH AND LOCOPOPS FOR STUDENTS TODAY | Immediately following the service, students are invited to meet Chapel ministers and enjoy lunch and Locopops. Look for the tent in the Memorial Lawn between the Chapel and the Divinity School. If you get lost, ask someone wearing a blue or white robe.

STUDENTS INVITED TO WORSHIP, BELONG, AND SERVE | The Chapel offers undergraduate and graduate students many ways to connect their faiths and learning at Duke: belong to one of the campus Religious Life groups, become a Chapel Scholar, participate in worship services, enroll in Chapel-supported house courses, work a student job at the Chapel, and serve with community partners in Durham. Learn more at chapel.duke.edu/students.

CHORAL EVENSONG SERVICE IN MEMORY OF J. SAMUEL HAMMOND | The Chapel will hold a special Choral Evensong worship service today at 4:00 p.m. in memory of the late J. Samuel Hammond, the university carillonneur emeritus. The service will include its customary Anglican liturgy and English choral music, which were beloved by Hammond. The Chapel carillon will play before and after the service in honor of Hammond. For those attending the service in-person, face masks are required to be worn. For those who wish to view the service online, it will be livestreamed on the Chapel’s website and YouTube channel; it will also be broadcast on channel 12 of the Duke Hospital system.

CHOIR AUDITIONS AND OPEN REHEARSALS | The Duke Chapel Choir, Vespers Ensemble, and Evensong Singers resume worship leadership this fall! We welcome auditions from new members, including students, community members, and Duke faculty/staff. Those interested in singing with the Chapel Choir are also invited to attend open rehearsals on Wednesday, August 18, from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. and Saturday, August 21, from 10:00 to 11:45 a.m. For more information, or to schedule an audition, contact chapelmusic@duke.edu.

TODAY’S FLOWERS | Flowers for today’s worship service are given to the glory of God by the Nan and Taylor Cole Chapel Endowment.

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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.

A student in the Chapel’s Eruditio et Religio living-learning community, Akshaj Turebylu, is teaching a half-credit house course in Fall 2021 titled “Litterae et Religio: Global Religious Literatures” (HOUSECS 59.17). Students in the class explore the many different representations of religious belief, emotion, and intellect that have populated the globe. The course was developed in consultation with Dr. Laura Lieber, a professor of religious studies at Duke, and the Rev. Kathryn Lester-Bacon, the Chapel’s director of Religious Life. To learn more, contact Rev. Lester-Bacon at kathryn.lester.bacon@duke.edu.

Consider joining a Life Together Group this September. Life Together Groups provide special opportunities for groups of 8 to 10 people to grow in faith and love through sharing their lives and prayers. Participants find deeper connections with one another and with God while sharing in a confidential and comfortable environment. Groups meet every other week for approximately 75 minutes. University students, Congregation and community members, and friends are all welcome to participate. If you would like to participate in a Life Together Group starting in September 2021, please fill out this form. For more information, please contact the Congregation office.

On the first four Wednesdays of September, book groups will meet at 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. to discuss The Black Church: This is Our Story, This is Our Song by Henry Louis Gates. Groups will meet virtually starting on Wednesday, September 1. For the zoom link or additional information, please contact congregation@duke.edu.

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 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.
**DAILY OPEN HOURS** | The Chapel is open to the public daily from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. All are welcome in the sanctuary during these hours for personal reflection, prayer, or meditation, as well as to view the building’s soaring Gothic architecture and vibrant stained-glass windows.

**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. Because COVID vaccines are a matter of public health, we encourage all eligible people to receive one.

**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.

**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 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.
  - **Youth Bible Study**: Youth grades 6-12 will explore the Book of Genesis.
  - **Adult Bible Study**: On August 29, the Racial Reconciliation Work Group will present a discussion on racial justice.

**LET’S BE IN TOUCH** | 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.