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  
Organ Prelude  

Fantasy in C Minor, BWV 562  
Johann Sebastian Bach  
(1685-1750)

Greeting and Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn 57 | Stanzas 1 through 5

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing  
AZMON

*Prayers 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.

Proclamation

Prayer for Illumination | In unison:

Almighty God, you search us and know us: as we seek to search and know you through the reading of your word, may we learn to rely on you in strength and rest on you in weakness, now and in all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson | OT page 656 in the pew Bible

Jeremiah 1:4-10

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.
Psalm 103 | Sung by the choir

Bless The Lord, O My Soul

Mikhail Ippolitov-Ivanov
(1859-1935)

Bless thou the Lord, O my soul. Blessed art thou, O Lord.
Bless thou the Lord, O my soul;
bless the Lord and forget not all his benefits.
Bless thou the Lord, O my soul,
and all that is within me bless his holy name.
He is full of compassion and mercy, long-suffering and great in goodness.
He will not always be chiding thee, nor keepeth he his wrath forever.
O blessed art thou, O Lord.

Text: Psalm 103:1, 8-9

New Testament Lesson | NT page 213 in the pew Bible

Hebrews 12:18-29

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

*Gospel Lesson | NT page 71 in the pew Bible

Luke 13:10-17

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

Sermon

The Estimation of God

Response

*Response Hymn 139

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN

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
With a voice of singing, declare ye this, and let it be heard. Alleluia. Utter it even unto the ends of the earth: The Lord hath delivered his people. Alleluia. O be joyful in God all ye lands. O sing praises to the honor of his name; make his praise to be glorious. With a voice of singing, declare ye this, and let it be heard. Alleluia.


*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.

Sending Forth

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*The Lord's Prayer | All are encouraged to pray the Lord's Prayer in the language of their choosing. The English version is number 895 in the hymnal.

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction

The Lord Bless You and Keep You

Peter C. Lutkin
(1858-1931)

The Lord bless you and keep you; The Lord lift his countenance upon you and give you peace; The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you. Amen.

*Closing Hymn 154

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

CORONATION

Organ Postlude

Final, from Symphony 6, Op. 59

Louis Vierne
(1870–1937)
Memorial Chapel Communion | Immediately following today's worship service, a brief communion service will be held in Memorial Chapel. Following communion, the pastor will be available to offer prayers and anointing.

**TODAY IN WORSHIP**

**PRESIDING MINISTERS**
The Rev. Bruce Puckett  Assistant Dean of Duke Chapel
The Rev. Dr. Carol Gregg  Pastor to the Congregation at Duke Chapel

**PREACHER**
The Rev. Dr. Luke A. Powery  Dean of Duke Chapel

**LECTORS**
Mr. Parker Betts  Trinity '22
Ms Tatayana Richardson  Chapel Scholar, Duke Wesley Fellowship, Trinity '21

**STUDENT LEADERS**
Ms. Liddy Grantland  Chapel Scholar, Duke Wesley Fellowship, Trinity '20
Mr. Eyram Klu  Chapel Scholar, Every Nation Campus Ministry, Trinity '19

**MUSICIANS**
Duke Chapel Choir  Choir
Dr. Zebulon Highben  Director of Chapel Music
Amalgam Brass Ensemble  Guest Musicians
Mr. Christopher Jacobson  Chapel Organist

**MEMORIAL CHAPEL COMMUNION**
The Rev. Amanda Highben  Minister in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

**HEAD USHERS**
Dr. James Ferguson and Mr. Rick Wilfong  Members of the Congregation at Duke Chapel

**TODAY’S FLOWERS** | Today's flowers are made possible by the generosity of the Nan & Taylor Cole Chapel Endowment.

**TODAY’S OFFERING** | All of today’s cash offerings and checks written to Duke University Chapel will be used to support the Chapel's PathWays program.

**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS** | Representatives from several religious life groups are assisting in worship today. Ministers from the following groups are present: Asian InterVarsity, Duke Lutherans, Duke Wesley Fellowship, International Students, Inc., Presbyterian Campus Ministry, and Reformed University Fellowship.

**ACCESSIBILITY** | Large print hymnals and bulletins are available at the visitor relations desk. Hearing assistance units are available at the AV console in the rear of the Chapel.

**FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN** | Children age four and younger are welcome to visit the nursery (capacity limited), located in the Chapel's lower level, beginning at 10:45 a.m. each week.
WELCOME TO DUKE CHAPEL | If you have questions about the ministries of Duke Chapel or the Congregation at Duke Chapel, please stop by the Welcome Desk in the narthex. Those staffing the table will be happy to answer your questions.

CHAPEL TOUR | For a tour of Duke Chapel, meet today’s docent near the front steps of the Chapel following the service.

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 front of the Chapel on the quad. Students can also connect with the Chapel by filling out a brief form at chapel.duke.edu/engage.

EVENSONG BEGINS TODAY | The Chapel’s service of Choral Evensong begins today at 4:00 pm, and continues weekly through the academic year. Distinct from the noisy world around us and derived from ancient traditions of the church, Choral Evensong provides sanctuary through scripture and sacred music. (The Chapel’s service of Choral Vespers, held on Thursdays at 7:00 pm, begins September 5.)

YOUNG ADULT DINNER AND DISCUSSION | University graduate students, other young adults, and their partners are invited to gather for dinner and discussion on Mondays, August 26 and September 9 at 6:30 p.m. in the Duke Chapel kitchen, located on the lower level of the Chapel. The group will explore the scriptures in a welcoming and inquisitive manner. All questions and perspectives welcome. Please contact Matt Wright (matthew.r.wright@duke.edu) for additional information.

SING WITH US | Singing in one of the Chapel’s three choirs is a great way to learn music and form friendships. An open rehearsal of the Chapel Choir will be held this Wednesday, August 28, at 6:00 pm; for more information or to schedule an audition, contact Dr. Zebulon Highben at zebulon.highben@duke.edu. To audition for the Chapel’s Vespers Ensemble, contact Dr. Philip Cave at philip.cave@duke.edu. To audition for the Chapel’s Evensong Singers, contact Christopher Jacobson at christopher.jacobson@duke.edu. Learn more about all three choirs and their auditions at chapel.duke.edu/auditions.

OPENING SUNDAY SERVICE NEXT WEEK | Next Sunday at 11:00 a.m. is the Chapel’s Opening Sunday worship service. This is the first Sunday morning worship service after classes resume. We will reconnect with friends and colleagues who have been away for the summer and warmly welcome newcomers. Chapel Dean Luke Powery will preach and the Chapel Choir will sing. All are invited to enjoy Locopops after the service.

WELCOME BACK DINNER FOR STUDENTS | Undergraduate students are invited to an informal dinner on Tuesday, September 3, at 5:00 p.m. in the Chapel’s Student Lounge (located in the basement). With free food served, this is an
opportunity for students already in the Chapel Scholars program to reconnect with one another and Chapel ministers. For students not already in the program it is a chance to learn more about it. Chapel Scholars are undergraduate students who intentionally engage in Chapel-based programming to be better Christians and influence the world around them. To learn more, contact the Rev. Joshua Lazard, the Chapel’s C. Eric Lincoln Minister for Student Engagement, at joshua.lazard@duke.edu.

FALL BOOK GROUPS | Book groups this fall will help readers discern the cultural forces in our world and gain a new perspective of the people of God. On Wednesdays, September 4, 11, 18, and 25 at 10:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. participants will discuss Walter Wink's book, The Powers That Be: Theology for a New Millennium. This book "reclaims the divine realm as central to human existence by offering new ways of understanding our world in theological terms." For detailed information and to indicate plans to attend, please contact the Congregation office at congregation@duke.edu.

GUEST PREACHER SEPTEMBER 8 | At the 11:00 a.m. worship service on Sunday, September 8, the Chapel will welcome guest preacher Rev. Dr. N.T. Wright, a research professor of New Testament and early Christianity at St. Mary's College in the University of St. Andrews in Scotland. Dr. Wright is a leading biblical scholar and former Bishop of Durham in the Church of England. He has written over seventy books, including the multi-volume work Christian Origins and the Question of God. Find a list of this year's guest preachers at chapel.duke.edu/GuestPreachers.

NEW CHAPEL MUSIC SEASON | The Chapel begins another season of sacred music this academic year. In introducing the season, Chapel Dean Luke Powery said, “Sacred music reminds us that we are made in the image of a beautiful, creative God, a God who breathes and moves through the staccato and the legato, the sorrow and the joys of our lives.” Under the leadership of Music Director Dr. Zebulon Highben, the Chapel will present cantatas by Bach, organ recitals, Jazz Vespers, a creative treatment of the Psalms, a musical exploration of the Mass, three performances of Handel’s Messiah, and more. Learn more at chapel.duke.edu/music.

NEW DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS LIFE | The Rev. Kathryn Lester-Bacon will be the new director of Religious Life at Duke Chapel, beginning September 1. Rev. Lester-Bacon has been the associate pastor for Second Presbyterian Church in Richmond, Virginia. She is a Duke alumna; while at Duke, she was a Chapel Scholar and sang in the Chapel Choir. In her role, she will support the work of the chaplains, ministers, and staff of Duke’s two dozen Religious Life groups. She will also promote collaboration and dialogue among these diverse faith groups.
ENGAGE (Continued)

WEEKLY SCRIPTURE LESSONS | We draw our scripture lessons from the Revised Common Lectionary. The RCL is a three-year rotation of scripture readings shared by a number of Protestant denominations. The readings come from the Old and New Testament and are often tied to themes of the liturgical season.

NEW CHAPEL WEBSITE | The Chapel has a new website, which you can find at the same web address: chapel.duke.edu. On the site you can find upcoming events, get connected to the Chapel’s ministries and programs, hear from Chapel Dean Luke A. Powery, watch services live, and see how the Chapel is living its mission of bridging faith and learning. In introducing this new site, Dean Powery said: "Come in, the digital doors are open. I hope that you will find here practical tools for participating in the life of the Chapel.... I also hope that this site helps connect you to the people, traditions, mission, and values of Duke Chapel because these are the heart and soul of our life and ministry."

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES | Classes for all ages will meet throughout the summer at 9:45 a.m. in the lowest level of the Westbrook building, Duke Divinity School. Refreshments and fellowship begin at 9:30 a.m. Sunday classes:

**Wee Praise**: For children ages 0-3 with parents or caregivers in 0011 WB
**Godly Play**: For ages 4 through 5th graders in 0050 Langford
**Ezekiel Bible Study**: For adults and youth in 0013 Westbrook. On September 1, the focus will be on Ezekiel 40-48 with Matt Wright teaching.

For a complete listing of events, please visit chapel.duke.edu/events or sign up to receive weekly emails at chapel.duke.edu/email