Last week on Orientation Sunday, we welcomed students back to campus. Today on Opening Sunday, we celebrate the formal beginning of a new academic year, as undergraduate classes have begun and many graduate programs are about to begin. We lift up the important work of education, and pray that students, faculty, and staff would be blessed with the Spirit of knowledge and truth. We sing of the connection between faith and learning, particularly in the words of our closing hymn, commissioned by Duke University in 1987. We remember that in all pursuits we are called to be doers of the Word, striving to live together in sincerity, honesty, and love.
Gathering
Opening Voluntary

Toccata (avanti la Messa della Madonna)  Girolamo Frescobaldi
(1583–1643)
Canzon (dopo l’Epistola)
Toccata (per l’Elevazione)
Toccata (avanti il Ricercar)

Greeting and Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn | See hymns in back of the worship guide.

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN
arr. Dan Forrest

*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:

Loving God, by your Spirit grant us meekness to receive the implanted word that has the power to save our souls; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

* All rise as able
New Testament Lesson

James 1:17–27

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

Anthem

Ubi caritas

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est.
Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.
Exultemus, et in ipso iucundemur.
Timeamus, et amemus Deum vivum.
Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero. Amen.

Where charity and love are, God is there.
Christ's love has gathered us into one.
Let us rejoice and be pleased in him.
Let us fear and love the living God,
and may we love each other with a sincere heart. Amen.

Text: Traditional liturgical

*Gospel Lesson

Mark 7:1–8, 14–15, 21–23

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

Sermon

Poetry in Plain Sight

Response

*Response Hymn | See hymns in back of the worship guide.

All Are Welcome (Let Us Build a House)

* All rise as able
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 Music

Liturgical Improvisation No. 3

George Oldroyd (1886–1951)

Pour light upon us from above, and fire our hearts with thy strong love.

*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 | 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.
Sending Forth

*Choral Benediction

The Spirit of the Lord

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 and Psalm 72:18, adapt._

*Benediction

*Closing Hymn | See hymns in back of the worship guide.

Praise the Source of Faith and Learning

Closing Voluntary

Final, from _Symphony 1, Op. 14_ Louis Vierne  
(1870–1937)
TODAY’S FLOWERS | Flowers for today’s worship service are given to the glory of God by the Nan and Taylor Cole Chapel Endowment.

TODAY’S OFFERING | All of today’s checks written to Duke University Chapel will be given to the Chapel’s Development Fund for Mission and Ministry. You are invited to give online at chapel.duke.edu/offering. Please send checks to: Duke University Chapel, Box 90974, Durham, NC 27708-0974.

NEW WORSHIP INTERN | This morning we welcome Kiana Hertogh as the Chapel’s new intern for worship and student engagement. Hertogh (she/her) is a third-year student in Duke Divinity School’s Master of Divinity program. Born and raised in Southern California, she is a graduate of Azusa Pacific University with a degree in biblical studies. Prior to Divinity School, Kiana served as a student worship minister with her church’s junior high, high school, and college ministries. Kiana is passionate about feminist biblical studies, the Old Testament, multicultural histories, and the empowerment of students wherever they are on their spiritual journey.

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.
LOCOPOPS AFTER SERVICE TODAY | Immediately following the service, all are invited to meet Chapel ministers and enjoy Locopops. Members of the fellowship committee will be on the front lawn to pass out the popsicles. 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.

CHOIR AUDITIONS | 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. For more information, or to schedule an audition, contact chapelmusic@duke.edu.

HOUSE COURSE ON FAITH AND JUSTICE | 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.

HOUSE COURSE ON RELIGION AND LITERATURE | 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.

SEPTEMBER BOOK GROUP | 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.

HELP RECOGNIZE A COMMUNITY LEADER | The Chapel is 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.

**DUKE CHAPEL HYMN COMPETITION** | The Chapel invites hymnwriters and poets to submit entries for its 2021 hymn competition. The winning submission will be sung in worship at the Chapel, published by MorningStar Music/ECS Publishing Group in a collection of new and recent hymns, and will be considered for inclusion in the forthcoming Duke Chapel Hymnal. The deadline is September 15, 2021. Visit chapel.duke.edu/hymn-competition to see the guidelines.

**'MY GRANDMOTHER'S HANDS' BOOK GROUP** | The Chapel, in partnership with Episcopalians United Against Racism, is exploring how racial trauma impacts our bodies and communities, and how we can learn to heal together, by reading the book *My Grandmother's Hands* by Resmaa Menakem. The online book group will begin Wednesday, September 22, at 6:30 p.m. and meet every-other-Wednesday until December 2. To learn more and register, contact the Chapel's community minister, the Rev. Breana Van Velzen, at breana.van.velzen@duke.edu.
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:** A variety of speakers bring diverse topics to the forum.

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.

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

Please email congregation@duke.edu to receive the weekly eNews.
HYMNS FOR AUGUST 29, 2021

Opening Hymn

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

LOBE DEN HERREN
arr. Dan Forrest

1. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation! O let all that is in me adore him, all that hath its being, Lord, return to me what is mine, for good and for evil I am bound to do him honor, He is my health and salvation!

2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth. Oh, my soul, praise him, for from him all blessings flow. Sure and steady is his goodness and mercy, which is more than all our miles.

3. Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee! All that hath its being shall find a helper in heaven above, who made heaven and earth, and all that therein is, who crowneth thee with blessings.

4. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him! Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him! Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!

Text: Joachim Neander, 1650–1680; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1827–1878, alt.
Music: LOBEN DEN HERREN, Ernewerten Gesangbuch, Part II, Stralsund, 1665

This arrangement was commissioned by the Congregation at Duke Chapel in honor of Dr. Rodney Wynkoop and his tenure as Director of Chapel Music (1989–2018).
Response Hymn

All Are Welcome (Let Us Build a House)  

TWO OAKS

1. Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safely live, a place where saints and children tell how true, where all God's children dare to seek to hear and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as hearts learn to forgive. 

2. Let us build a house where prophets speak, and words are strong and wheat: a banquet hall on holy ground where stone to heal and strengthen, serve and teach, and 

3. Let us build a house where love is found in water, wine and heard and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as 

4. Let us build a house where hands will reach beyond the wood and heard and loved and treasured, taught and claimed as 

5. Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and visions 

vi-sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of wit-ness and as sym- bol of God's grace; here as one we strang-er bear the image of God's face; let us bring an laugh-ter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house pro-

Refrain

Christ shall end di - vi-sions:  

Christ the feast that frees us: All are welcome, 

end to fear and dan-ger: 

claim from floor to raf-ter: 

all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.
Praise the Source of Faith and Learning

HYFRYDOL

1. Praise the source of faith and learning that has sparked and stoked the mind with a passion for discerning how the world has been designed.

2. God of wisdom, we acknowledge that our science and our art and the breadth of grounds for wonder which the ancient prophets taught. Let the sense of wonder flowing from the depth we cannot sound where your purpose lies a wonder we survey keep our faith for a single course, till they join as ever growing and renew our need to pray:

3. May our faith redeem the blunder of being that our thought has displaced the other's undertow till converging. May our learning curb the error which unread, O God, our faith and learning till they

4. As two currents in a river fight each other, human knowledge on the partial truth imparted, wonders we cannot breed lest we justly carve a sin gle course, till they join as ever growing and renew our need to pray:

Text: Thomas H. Troeger (b. 1945)
Music: HYFRYDOL, Rowland H. Pritchard (1811-1887)
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