This morning we give thanks for the hopes and vision of the founders of Duke University, even as we seek to follow the founder of our faith, Jesus Christ. The bulletin picture today is of Trinity College Library. James B. Duke’s first gift to the university was funding to build a library in 1903. In our service today, Dean Powery will lead a litany of thanksgiving for Founders’ Day as we remember the many and various gifts of the founders of the university. Today’s scripture passages challenge conventional thinking about wealth. In 1 Timothy, the disciples are warned against the love of money and encouraged to find contentment and pursue faith. In Luke’s gospel, a rich man’s life is set against a poor man, Lazarus. The rich man discovers that the blessings of earthly life do not necessarily reflect the judgment or kingdom of God.
**Gathering**

**Opening Voluntary**

Ciacona in D Minor  
**Johann Pachelbel**  
(1653-1706)

**Greeting and Call to Worship**

*Opening Hymn 559*

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation  
**WESTMINSTER ABBEY**

*Prayers of Confession and Words of Assurance* | The minister offers words of confession in three biddings to which the congregation responds as follows:

- Minister:  Lord have mercy.
- People:  Lord have mercy.
- Minister:  Christ have mercy.
- People:  Christ have mercy.
- Minister:  Lord have mercy.
- People:  Lord have mercy.

The minister speaks words of assurance.

*Peace* | All exchange signs and words of God's peace.

**Proclamation**

**Prayer for Illumination** | In unison:

God, our judge and savior, as you open your word to us, teach us to be open to your truth and to trust in your love, so that we may live each day with confidence in the salvation that is given through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**New Testament Lesson** | NT pages 198-199 in the pew Bible

1 Timothy 6:6-19

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

* All rise as able
Psalm 146 | The refrain is introduced by the choir then sung by all. The cantors chant the verses; the congregation sings the refrain as indicated.

Come, O Lord, and save us.

Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help, whose hope is in the Lord their God, who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them, who keeps God’s promise forever; Refrain

who gives justice to those who are oppressed and food to those who hunger. The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind; the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down. Refrain

The Lord loves the righteous; the Lord cares for the stranger; God sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked. The Lord shall reign forever, your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah! Refrain

*Gospel Lesson | NT page 75 in the pew Bible

Luke 16:19-31

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Achieving Nothing

Response

*Response Hymn 545 | Stanzas 1-3, 5: sung by all; Stanza 4 sung by choir only.

The Church’s One Foundation AURELIA

*Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth: And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried: he descended into hell; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the
right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Call to Prayer

Minister: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Minister: Let us pray.

Founders’ Litany of Thanksgiving

Dean Powery: Almighty and eternal God, in whom our mothers and fathers have trusted, we their children, at this time of remembrance, offer to You our prayers of thanksgiving:
Congregation: Hear us, O Lord.

President Price: For the members of the Duke family—father, daughter, sons and their spouses, grandchildren, and all others in continuing generations until this very day—who, with concern and compassion, devotion and dedication, and by their generosity, built on a solid foundation, continued a worthy school, and provided for education and service beyond even their dreams and expectations:
Congregation: We give You thanks and praise.

Family Representative: For the pioneering and persevering men and women connected with this University—Methodists and Quakers, farmers and merchants, teachers and administrators—who, in days gone by, believed in education and made their beliefs prevail:
Congregation: We give You thanks and praise.

Dean Powery: For the embodiment of their dreams—from school to academy to college to great university and founded in hope, continued with sacrifice, growing in outreach, and serving with commitment:
Congregation: We give You thanks and praise.

President Price: For faculty and staff whose vision was bolstered by their courage, whose patience was tested and found true, and whose idealism was implanted in the hearts and minds of others:
Congregation: We give You thanks and praise.
Family Representative: For the ongoing presence of noble ideas—the blessing of *Eruditio et Religio*; the freedom for responsible academic research and teaching; the ongoing respect for both the body and the spirit; the pursuit of knowledge in the sciences and the humanities; and the realization that the old order changes and new times bring new opportunities:

**Congregation:** We give You thanks and praise.

Dean Powery: For the future of Duke University, established for Your glory and for the enlightenment of the human mind and spirit; for consecration to learning by the young; for the best use of the wisdom of those in later years; for the commitment to growth and enhancement of all persons; for a sense of humor, a spirit of cooperation, and a desire for understanding among all within our community and the world:

**Congregation:** We give You thanks and praise. And to You, O God, we will ascribe, as is most due, all praise and glory, world without end. Amen.

**Offertory Music**

*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, lean 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.

*Text: J. S. B. Monsell (1811-1875)*

**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. The English version is number 895 in the hymnal.

Sending Forth

*Benediction

*Closing Hymn 577

God of Grace and God of Glory CWM RHONDDA

*Choral Benediction

God Be in My Head John Rutter
(b. 1945)

God be in my head and in my understanding.
God be in mine eyes and in my looking.
God be in my mouth and in my speaking.
God be in my heart and in my thinking.
God be at mine end and at my departing.

*Text: Sarum Primer (1514)

Closing Voluntary

Paean Kenneth Leighton
(1929-1988)

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. Daniel Ntim ............................................ Chapel Scholar, Trinity ’20
Ms. Danielle Voigt ........................................ Chapel Worship Intern, Divinity ’21

MUSICIANS
Duke Chapel Choir .......................................................... Choir
Dr. Zebulon Highben ............................................ Director of Chapel Music
Dr. Robert Parkins ................................................... University Organist
Mr. Christopher Jacobson ........................................ Chapel Organist

FOUNDERS’ LITANY
President Vincent Price ...................................... President, Duke University
Ms. Beth Hubbard ........................................... Daughter of Mary Duke Biddle Trent Semans

MEMORIAL CHAPEL COMMUNION
The Rev. Dr. Carol Gregg ................................ Pastor to the Congregation at Duke Chapel

HEAD USHERS
Dr. James Ferguson ........................................... Member of the Congregation at Duke Chapel
Ms. Acelynn Barefoot ................................ Chapel Scholar, Member of the Congregation at Duke Chapel


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

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.

**BACH CANTATA TODAY** | The first performance in the Chapel’s music season is a Bach Cantata concert today at 5:15 p.m. Dr. Philip Cave, associate conductor for Chapel Music, will lead the Bach Ensemble and Mallarmé Chamber Players in presenting two of J.S. Bach’s cantatas and a cantata by G.F. Handel. Admission is free. Learn more about this concert and the rest of the season at chapel.duke.edu/music.

**YAM JAM** | Volunteers are needed on Saturday morning, October 5, to gather sweet potatoes as part of The Society of St. Andrew’s “Yam Jam” at First Fruits Farm near Louisburg. Former NFL football star Jason Brown, owner of First Fruits Farm, donates his entire crop to feed others. Carpooling opportunities are available. Please contact the Congregation office for additional details.

**BACK PEW COLLECTION** | The Back Pew Collection for October will benefit the Society of St Andrew. On Sundays, October 6 and 13, please bring buckets for use by those gleaning for Society of St. Andrews. Clean cat litter buckets and five-gallon buckets from Lowes or Home Depot are appropriate sizes. Donations may be placed on the back pew.

**BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS** | The Chapel will host its annual Blessing of the Animals worship service next Sunday, October 6, at 3:00 p.m. outside on the quad in front of the Chapel. All are welcome to bring dogs, cats, and other pets to be blessed. Please bring only well-mannered pets that are safe around children. The rain date for the service is October 13.

**NEW MEMBER CLASS** | A four-week new member class will begin on Sunday, October 13 in 0014 Westbrook. The class will meet from 9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m., with refreshments and fellowship beginning at 9:30 a.m. For more information, please contact Carol Gregg.

**FELLOWSHIP SNACKLUCK** | Please plan to stay for a snackluck after worship on Sunday, October 13; the fellowship event will be held in the Chapel lounge, located in the lower level of the Chapel. A “snackluck” is a simplified version of a potluck meal. Please bring snacks or finger-goods such as nuts, cheese and crackers, or fruit to the kitchen prior to the worship service. All are welcome.

**PUBLIC CONVERSATION ON GUN VIOLENCE** | Chapel Dean Luke A. Powery will convene a public conversation "Every Life Sacred: The Urgency to End Gun Violence" on Tuesday, October 15, at 7:00 p.m. The discussion will include faith, academic, and civic leaders. It is part of the Chapel’s Bridge Panel series,
which seeks to connect people from disparate walks of life in order to discover shared pathways toward the beloved community of God.

**ALIEN GROUP** | On Wednesdays, October 16, 23, and 30, two book groups will explore *Resident Aliens* by Duke Divinity School professors Will Willimon and Stanley Hauerwas. This book will encourage readers to consider the nature of the church and its surrounding culture. The book groups will meet at 10:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. For detailed information and to indicate plans to attend, please contact the Congregation office.

**MARVEL OF THIS NIGHT CHRISTMAS SPECIAL** | The annual Christmas Eve service of Lessons and Carols is a beloved holiday tradition at Duke Chapel. This year, the Chapel has been invited to pre-record that service for national television broadcast on CBS, creating an opportunity to celebrate the mystery of Christmas even before the holiday season has officially begun. Join us on Sunday, November 24, at 4:00 p.m. as the Chapel’s pastoral staff, all three choirs and their conductors, and a host of guest musicians revel in the Marvel of This Night through music, readings, prayers, and carols for all to sing. The service is ticketed, but tickets are free. Tickets will be available through the Duke Box Office for students beginning October 24 and for the general public beginning October 29.

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES** | Classes for all ages will meet throughout the year 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. Classes are:

- **Wee Praise**: For children ages 0-3 with parents or caregivers in 0011 WB
- **Godly Play**: For children ages 4 through 1st graders in 0054 Langford
- **Godly Play Advanced**: For children in 2nd–5th grade in 0050 Langford
- **Youth Bible Study**: For youth in 6th–12th grade in 0013 Westbrook
- **Adult Bible Study**: A study of Isaiah in 0015 Westbrook
- **Adult Forum**: On October 6, the Rev. Dr. Kenyatta R. Gilbert, professor of homiletics at Howard University School of Divinity and guest preacher in Duke Chapel, will present "Religious Hypocrisy and Tradition Accountability" in 0012 Westbrook
Today, we acknowledge all those who contribute to the mission of Duke University Chapel. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. We also give thanks on this Founders’ Day to all those who have established or contributed to the endowments that perpetually support our efforts in Worship, Music, Religious Life, and so much more.

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