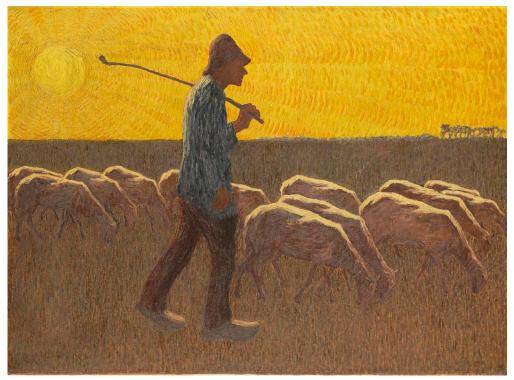


SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost Sunday, October 15, 2023, 11:00 a.m.



Cornelis Albert van Assendelft, Shepherd with Sheep, 1900-1945.

The lessons for today relate the promises of goodness that God has made to his people. First, in the reading from Isaiah, God promises to wipe away our tears and to provide rich food and drink for all people. In the psalm, God is characterized as a good shepherd, faithfully guiding the flock to water and green pastures, protecting them from predators, and soothing their wounds when injured. In the gospel, there is a story about a wedding feast to which all are welcome. Jesus's parable urges us to prepare ourselves, and it concludes with a reminder that "many are called, but few are chosen."

Gathering

Carillon

Prelude

Schmücke dich, o liebe Seele, BWV 654

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

Introit

Gaudete in Domino

Giaches de Wert (1535–1596)

Gaudete in Domino semper, iterum dico, gaudete.

Rejoice in the Lord always, again I say, rejoice.

—Philippians 4:4

Greeting and Call to Worship

*Gathering Hymn | UMH 616

Come, Sinners, to the Gospel Feast

HURSLEY

*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.

Minister: Hear the good news:

Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;

that proves God's love toward us.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

All: Glory to God. Amen.

*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:

Lord God, send your Spirit to enlighten our minds and unite us in faith, that hearing your Word, we may rejoice in your presence and be awakened with greater eagerness to do good for others. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson | OT page 613 in pew Bibles.

Isaiah 25:1-9

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

Psalmody

Psalm 23

H. Walford Davies (1869–1941)

The LORD is my shepherd: therefore can I lack nothing.

He shall feed me in a green pasture:

and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.

He shall convert my soul: and bring me forth

in the paths of righteousness for his Name's sake.

Yea, though I walk in the valley of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil: for thou art with me,

thy rod and thy staff comfort me.

Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me: thou hast anointed my head with oil and my cup shall be full.

Surely thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me

all the days of my life:

and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is not and ever shall be: world without end. Amen

*Gospel Lesson | NT page 23 in pew Bibles.

Matthew 22:1-14

Lector: The word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

A Vision Beyond Our Own

Response

*Response Hymn | UMH 138

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

ST. COLUMBA

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

Brother James' Air

James L. Macbeth Bain (1860–1925) arr. Mack Wilberg

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want, he makes me down to lie in pastures green; he leadeth me the quiet waters by. He leadeth me, he leadeth me, the quiet waters by.

My soul he doth restore again, and me to walk doth make within the paths of righteousness, e'en for his own name's sake. Within the paths of righteousness, e'en for his own name's sake. Yea, though I walk thro' death's dark vale, yet will I fear no ill; for thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me comfort still. Thy rod and staff me comfort still, me comfort still.

My table thou hast furnished in presence of my foes; my head thou dost with oil anoint, and my cup overflows. My head thou dost with oil anoint, and my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me, and in God's house for evermore my dwelling-place shall be. And in God's house for evermore my dwelling-place shall be.

—The Psalms of David in Meter, Edinburgh, 1650

*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!

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. Bread and wine are used for communion. You may receive wine by dipping or drinking from the cup. If you desire gluten-free bread or grape juice, they are available from servers near Memorial Chapel in the front and opposite the attendant's desk near the back. Please use these chalices for dipping only. 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 Anthem

O Pray for the Peace of Jerusalem

Herbert Howells (1892–1983)

O pray for the peace of Jerusalem. They shall prosper that love thee. Peace be within thy walls, and plenteousness within thy palaces.

-Psalm 122: 6, 7

Communion Hymn | UMH 612

Deck Thyself, My Soul, with Gladness

SCHMÜCKE DICH

*Post-Communion Prayer

Sending Forth

*Benediction

*Sending Hymn | UMH 160

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

MARION

Postlude

Suite No. 6 from *Banchetto musicale*Allemande—Tripla

Johan Hermann Schein (1586–1630)

Carillon

TODAY IN WORSHIP

| Presiding Ministers Carol Gregg |
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| Preacher Bruce Puckett |
| Lectors Margot Wuebbens |
| MusiciansChoirDuke Chapel Schola CantorumChoirZebulon HighbenDirector of Chapel Music, Duke University ChapelChad FothergillChapel Organist, Duke University ChapelKatherine JohnsonOrgan Scholar, Duke University ChapelMitchell EithunChapel Carillonneur, Duke University Chapel |
| Head Usher |

Today's Music | The setting of *Schmücke dich, o liebe Seele*, featured as an organ prelude this morning, uses a melody based on a well-known communion hymn of Bach's time. See UMH 612 for music and a translation of the text.

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

Liturgical Acknowledgments | Prayer for Illumination adapted from the *Roman Missal*, © 1973, International Committee on English in the Liturgy.

Today's Flowers | The flowers for the worship service today are given to the glory of God by the Elizabeth Lucina Gotham Memorial Chapel Endowment.

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 beauty of nature found and preserved in Duke Forest.

Tour After the Service | Learn about the history, architecture, and life of Duke Chapel on a tour immediately following the service. The tour is free and lasts about forty-five minutes. Meet the docent outside in front of the Chapel.

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.

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.

Messiah Tickets on Sale This Week | Beginning this Tuesday, October 17, tickets will be available to Duke Chapel's performances of G.F. Handel's Messiah. The concerts by the Duke Chapel Choir, soloists, and orchestra will be held on December 1, 2, and 3, with each performance lasting approximately two hours. In music that is both treasured and timeless, Handel recounts the story of humanity's redemption through the birth, death, and resurrection of Christ. This year marks the ninetieth anniversary of the Chapel's first performance of Messiah. For concert details and to purchase tickets, visit the Duke Box Office website at tickets.duke.edu or call 919-684-4444.

LGBTQ+ Fellowship Today | Members of the LGBTQ+ community and their allies are invited to attend the monthly fellowship gathering today, October 15, from 12:30–1:30 p.m. in the Chapel kitchen located in the lower level of the Chapel. The fellowship meets on the third Sunday of the month. For information, please contact congregation@duke.edu.

October Book Group | Is "community" one of the most over-promised, underdelivered aspects of the Christian life today? The October book groups will discuss *Life Together in Christ: Experiencing Transformation in Community* by Ruth Haley Barton for three Wednesdays, beginning October 18, at 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. over Zoom. For information contact congregation@duke.edu.

Back Pew Collection | The Society of St. Andrew brings people together to harvest and share healthy food, reduce food waste, and build caring communities by offering nourishment to hungry neighbors. They welcome donations of work gloves of all sizes. Donations may be placed on the back pew today, October 15.

New Art Exhibition This Week | Duke Chapel and Duke Initiatives in Theology and the Arts will present *Transcendence* + *Immanence*, an exhibition of ink wash paintings by the Chinese poet, painter, and critic DaoZi. Also known as Wang Min, DaoZi works in a style called "sacred ink wash painting" through which he combines traditional Chinese ink painting techniques and materials with themes infused with his Christian faith. The installation, on display at the Chapel from October 20 to November 26, is the exhibition's premiere in the United States. An opening reception for the exhibition, which will include music from the Duke Chapel Choir, will be held on Wednesday, October 25, at 5:00 p.m. in Duke Chapel. The artist will discuss his work in the context of the history of sacred art in a talk on Thursday, October 26, at 12:30 p.m. in the Divinity School's Westbrook Building, room 0012.

Annual Church Picnic | All are welcome to attend the Congregation's annual picnic next Sunday, October 22, from 3:00–6:00 p.m. at Piney Woods Park picnic shelter, 400 E. Woodcroft Parkway, Durham. Beef, turkey, and vegetarian hot dogs will be provided; participants are asked to bring a side dish or dessert to share. Come for friendship, games, and good food.

Choral Evensong Next Sunday | The next Choral Evensong service, with a theme of "Vespers from Vienna," will be Sunday, October 22, at 4:00 p.m. Along with prayers and scripture readings, the service will include music by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's well-beloved anthem *Laudate Dominum*, Franz Josef Haydn's dramatic *Insanae et vanae curae*, and Johannes Brahms's *Geistliches Lied*. Choral Evensong at Duke Chapel follows the liturgy of the 1662 *Book of Common Prayer* and features choral and organ music from the English cathedral tradition, led by the Chapel's Evensong Singers.

Lasagnas and Volunteers Needed | The Congregation serves dinner at Urban Ministries of Durham once a month. Donated lasagnas that can serve twenty-four (such as two party-sized Stouffer's lasagnas) are needed on Wednesday, October 25, at 5:00 p.m. Volunteers are needed to stay to serve the meal. To donate or volunteer, please contact congregation@duke.edu.

Gathering at The Farmers' Market | All are welcome for conversation and connection at the Durham's Farmers' Market on Saturday, October 28, at 10:00 a.m. Meet at the Mount Merrill playground across from Durham Central Park (501 Foster St., Durham, NC 27701), where the market is set up. Bring a cup of coffee or tea from home or pick one up from a nearby shop, then join others from the Chapel community for information, conversation, and an opportunity to meet new people.

Organ Recital Oct. 29 | The next performance in the Organ Recital Series will be Sunday, October 29, at 5:00 p.m. The program by James Welch will feature the *Lyric Symphony* (2009) by American composer Rulon Christiansen and Louis Vierne's Symphony No. 2, performed on the Aeolian organ. Welch, formerly on the music faculties of the University of California at Santa Barbara and Santa Clara University, has performed internationally for many years. Admission is free.

All Hallows' Eve | The Chapel will hold its annual All Hallows' Eve service on Tuesday, October 31, at 10:30 p.m. All Hallows' Eve is a festival in the church that recalls the faith and witness of those who have carried on and cherished the Christian faith throughout history. It comprises scripture readings, testimonies about saints, and anthems. The name of the service comes from its celebration on the night before All Saints' (or All Hallows') so it's "All Hallows' Eve," or "Halloween" (Halloween costumes are welcome at this service!).

Requiem Eucharist for the Feast of All Souls | In collaboration with the Anglican Episcopal House of Studies, the Chapel will hold a Requiem Eucharist on Thursday, November 2, at 7:00 p.m. The service marks All Souls' Day, when the Church turns to commemorate all who have died in the faith. Members of the Anglican Episcopal House of Studies will lead the liturgy, and the Chapel's Vespers Ensemble and Evensong Singers will sing the *Requiem* by English composer Herbert Howells.

Jazz Vespers Nov. 9 | Rest, pray, celebrate, and sing at the Chapel's Jazz Vespers service on Thursday, November 9, at 7:00 p.m. The service combines the ancient Christian tradition of evening vespers with the musical idioms of jazz and gospel. At this service, the Chapel welcomes pianist, artist, and theologian Julian Davis Reid, who leads us in this intimate Jazz Vespers. Using words, music, and the Chapel's traditional "Jazz Prayer" stations, Reid invites us into the restful lives we were created to live.

Sunday Morning Classes | Sunday morning Christian Education classes are available for all ages 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. 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 ages 4 through 5th grade in 0050 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 October 22, Dr. Angel Collie, director of the Center for Sexual and Gender Diversity at Duke, will speak on "A Faithful Response to the Climate for Transgender, Gender Non-Conforming, and Nonbinary People in North Carolina and Beyond?" in 0012 Westbrook and over Zoom Adult Bible Study: An exploration of the book of Exodus in 0015 Westbrook and over Zoom

ACCESSIBILITY

Hearing assistance units, as well as large-print worship guides and hymnals, are available at the AV console in the rear of the Chapel. There, you can also find directions to download a listen-assist app on your phone. Please let us know if you need other accommodations by approaching a minister or usher, or email us at dukechapel@duke.edu.

LET'S KEEP IN TOUCH

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