

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost Sunday, October 22, 2023, 11:00 a.m.



Gustave Doré, Paradiso, Canto XXXI from Dante's The Divine Comedy, 1868.

This week, the lessons weave together a theme of God's greatness and the response we are called to give. In the Old Testament, the passage is written in the voice of God, offering a reminder of all the powerful deeds only possible because of God's greatness. The psalm then proclaims this very greatness in song. In the epistle, Paul and his cohort offer a reminder to the Christians in Thessolonica that the spread of the Gospel, the joy they know in spite of persecution, and the hope they hold on to springs from being chosen and beloved of God. In the Gospel, Jesus himself tells us what we owe to God in the simplest of terms: give to God the things that are God's.

Gathering

Carillon

Prelude

Prelude in E Minor, BWV 548

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

Greeting and Call to Worship

*Gathering Hymn | UMH 577

God of Grace and God of Glory

CWM RHONDDA

Baptism

Presentation of Candidates | Andrew Montgomery Beckwith is presented for baptism by his parents.

Renunciation of Sin and Profession of Faith | The Congregation and those presenting candidates for baptism affirm their faith by responding to the following questions.

Minister: Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you turn from the ways

of sin and renounce evil and its power in the world?

All: I do.

Minister: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Lord and

Savior, trusting in his grace and love?

All: I do.

Minister: Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his Word and

showing his love?

All: I will.

Profession of Faith

All: Believing that God reaches out to us with love and forgiveness, we seek to grow together in faith through worship, study, service and our life together, to the end that we embody Christ's compassion and holiness.

*All rise as able

Commitment by the Congregation

Prayer over the Water

Baptism

Commissioning Prayer and Welcome | In unison:

With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome you into Christ's church to share with us in his ministry, for we are all one in Christ.

*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, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson | OT page 634 in pew Bibles.

Isaiah 45:1-7

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

Psalmody

Singet dem Herrn

Heinrich Schütz (1585–1672)

Singet dem Herrn ein neues Lied, all Welt soll frölich singen mit zu Ehrn dem Herren, unserm Gott, lobt seinen Namen früh und spät. Sing to the Lord a new song! Earth's joyful praise to God belongs. Sing to the Lord and bless God's name; from day to day God's grace proclaim.

Preach to the nations, tell God's worth and marvelous works upon the earth. Above all gods our Lord is King; Honor and praises now we bring.

Heavens, be glad, and earth, rejoice! Fields and seas, lift up your voice! The Lord shall come in righteousness: all peoples shall this truth confess!

—Cornelius Becker (1561–1604), after Psalm 96

New Testament Lesson | NT page 191 in pew Bibles.

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

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

*Gospel Lesson | NT page 23 in pew Bibles.

Matthew 22:15-22

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

Sermon

Response

*Response Hymn | UMH 519

Lift Every Voice and Sing

LIFT EVERY VOICE

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

From the Rising of the Sun

M. Susan Brown

From the rising of the sun, to its going down again, let the name of the LORD be praised.

-Psalm 113:2-3

*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

*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

Zebulon Highben

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.

-Isaiah 11:2 and Psalm 72:18, adapt.

*Benediction

*Sending Hymn | UMH 435

O God of Every Nation

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Postlude

Fugue in E Minor ("Wedge"), BWV 548

J. S. Bach

Carillon

Communion Service Following Worship | Immediately following today's worship service, a brief communion service will be held in the chancel. All are welcome to enter the chancel, sit in the choir stalls, and participate. As you are leaving the Chapel, please be mindful of the impact of conversations and other sounds on this service.

TODAY IN WORSHIP

Presiding Ministers

 Luke A. Powery.
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 Pastor, Congregation at Duke Chapel

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Preacher

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Musicians

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Head Usher

Today's Guest Preacher | The Rev. Dr. Neichelle Guidry (she/her/hers) is a teacher, preacher, leader, and commentator who serves as the dean of the chapel and the director of the WISDOM Center at Spelman College. A womanist homiletician and practitioner, she is the author of *Curating a World: Sermonic Words from a Young Woman Who Preaches*. She is a member of the Society for the Study of Black Religion, the MLK Jr. International Chapel Collegium of Scholars at Morehouse College, and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated. As a certified coach and the founder of Flourish From Within, LLC, Dr. Guidry walks with Black women of faith as they cultivate deeper spiritual wellness and vocational clarity. For her service and dedication, she has been recognized by media outlets such as *Time*, *Ebony*, The *New York Times*, *Vice*, and more.

Baptized Today | Please welcome to the family of faith Andew Beckwith, the son of Jonathan and Mary Sheldon Beckwith and brother to Jack.

Today's Flowers | The flowers for the worship service today are given to the glory of God by the Nancy Hanks Chapel Endowment.

Today's Music | Heinrich Schütz was perhaps the most significant composer of the German Baroque prior to J. S. Bach. Schütz wrote myriad Latin and German motets, ranging from simple homophonic works to elaborate polyphonic compositions for multiple choirs. *Singet dem Herrn ein neues Lied* represents the simple side of his output. It is a hymn-like setting of a psalm paraphrase by Cornelius Becker, a sixteenth-century Leipzig pastor. Schütz set many of Becker's psalm paraphrases for modest musical forces for a very practical reason: The battles and famines related to the Thirty Years' War (1618 to 1648) had decimated the population of central Europe.

Today's Offering | All of today's cash offerings and checks written to Duke University Chapel will support human service organizations in the greater Durham area. Send checks to: Duke University Chapel, Box 90974, Durham, NC 27708-0974. Give online at chapel.duke.edu/offering.

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ENGAGE

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 Department of Statistical Science.

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.

Church Picnic Today | All are welcome to attend the Congregation's annual picnic today 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 Today | Our next Choral Evensong service will be today, October 22, at 4:00 p.m. With a theme of "Vespers from Vienna," music for the service will include Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's 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* with prayers and scripture readings. It also features choral and organ music from the English cathedral tradition, led by the Chapel's Evensong Singers.

New Art Exhibition with Related Events | Duke Chapel and Duke Initiatives in Theology and the Arts are presenting *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 until 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 this 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 this Thursday, October 26, at 12:30 p.m. in the Divinity School's Westbrook Building, room 0012.

Young Adult Dinner and Discussion | All are welcome for a simple dinner and Bible study that will focus on the experience of university graduate students, younger adults, and their partners as they discuss the books of Joshua, Judges, and Ruth. The next gathering will be tomorrow, October 23, at 6:30 p.m. in the Chapel kitchen, located in the lower level of the Chapel. All perspectives and questions are welcome. Please contact alexander.jones@duke.edu for additional information.

Upcoming Guest Preacher | The Chapel looks forward to welcoming the Rev. Dr. Brian Konkol as next week's guest preacher. Rev. Dr. Konkol serves as dean of Hendricks Chapel and professor of practice at Syracuse University. We invite you to join us as he breaks open God's Word for us at the Sunday morning service.

Lasagnas and Volunteers Needed | The Congregation serves dinner at Urban Ministries of Durham once a month. Donated cooked lasagnas to 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 informal conversation and an opportunity to meet new people.

Organ Recital | The next performance in our 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. It 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.

Concert by Student Choral Groups | Two student choral groups, United in Praise and Something Borrowed Something Blue, will present a concert titled "God's Got You" on Sunday, November 5, at 4:00 p.m. at Duke Chapel. There is no charge for admission.

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. See our website for a free parking pass for this service.

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 age 4–1st grade in 0054 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 29, the Rev. Prasert Ammartek, Buddhist Chaplain at Duke University, will address "Buddhist Mindfulness Meditation in daily life" in 0012 Westbrook and over Zoom

Adult Bible Study: An exploration of the book of Exodus in 0015 Westbrook and over Zoom

New Member Class: For those exploring membership in the Congregation at 9:45 a.m. in 0014 Westbrook and at 7:00 p.m. 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

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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