The scripture lessons today speak of an ability to see that transcends physical eyesight. The prophet Jeremiah writes of a time when God’s people will sing for gladness because God will gather those who have been scattered and those with physical limitations into God’s presence and community. This vision of God’s community is one that must be seen through the eyes of faith. In Mark’s Gospel Jesus encounters Bartimaeus, a blind beggar, as he is leaving Jericho. In spite of his lack of eyesight, Bartimaeus sees with eyes of faith that allow him to recognize Jesus as the healing savior. In faith, Bartimaeus called out to Jesus, the Son of David, for mercy, showing that though physically blind he could truly see.
Gathering
Opening Voluntary

Wir glauben all einen Gott, BWV 680
Johann Sebastian Bach
(1685–1750)

Liturgical Improvisation No. 2
George Oldroyd
(1886–1951)

Choral Introit

Listen! You Nations
J. Bert Carlson
(1937–2017)

Listen! You nations of the world: Listen to the Word of the Lord.
Announce it from coast to coast; declare it to distant islands.
The Lord who scattered Israel will gather the people again;
the Lord will keep watch over them as a shepherd watches his flock.
With shouts of joy they will come, their faces radiantly happy,
for the Lord is so generous to them; showering the people with gifts.
Young women will dance for joy, and men young and old
will make merry.
Like a garden refreshed by the rain, they never will be in want again.
Break into shouts of great joy: Jacob is free again!
Teach nations to sing the song: “The Lord has saved the people!”

Text: John W. Arthur, adapt. from Jeremiah 31

Greeting and Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn 89

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

*Prayer 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.
Minister: The peace of Christ be with you.
People: And also with you.

Proclamation

Prayer for Illumination | In unison:

Lord of heaven and earth, our light and our salvation: illuminate our lives, and speak to us by your Spirit now; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson

Jeremiah 31:7–9

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

Psalmody | The Psalm is chanted by the choir.

Psalm 126 setting by George Garrett (1834–1897)

When the Lord turn’d again the captivity of Sion,
    then were we like unto them that dream.
Then was our mouth filled with laughter,
    and our tongue with joy.
Then they said among the heathen,
    the Lord hath done great things for them.
Yea, the Lord hath done great things for us already,
    whereof we rejoice.
Turn our captivity, O Lord,
    as the rivers in the south.
They that sow in tears,
    shall reap in joy.
He that now goeth on his way weeping,
    and beareth forth good seed,
Shall doubtless come again with joy,
    and bring his sheaves with him.

Glory be to the Father,
    and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
    world without end. Amen.

* All rise as able
*Gospel Lesson

Mark 10:46–52

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

Sermon

Seeing Clearly

Response

*Response Hymn 378

Amazing Grace

Recognition of New Members | New members stand before the congregation. All worshipers are invited to respond to the questions of faith. We welcome these people as the newest members of the Congregation at Duke Chapel: Dana Hogan, John Mackessy, Brooke Moy, Ileana Porges-West, Kashmiri Schmookler, Mike and Gail Stanley, and Lisa Zuo.

Minister: Do you believe that God has reached out to us with love and forgiveness?
People: We do.
Minister: Will you seek to grow in faith through participating in worship, study, service, and celebration?
People: We will.
Minister: Will you strive to embody Christ’s compassion and holiness?
People: We will.

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.

* All rise as able
Mission of the Month

Offertory Music

Christ, the Way of Life Possess Me

Christ the Way of life possess me,
lift my heart to love and praise;
guide and keep, sustain and bless me,
all my days, all my days.

Well of life, forever flowing,
make my barren soul and bare
like a watered garden growing
fresh and fair, fresh and fair.

May the Tree of life in splendor
From its leafy boughs impart
grace divine and healing tender,
strength of heart, strength of heart.

Path of life before me shining,
let me come when earth is past,
sorrow, self, and sin resigning,
home at last, home at last.

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*Doxology

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

This morning we give thanks in the University for the Duke School of Nursing. We celebrate its commitment to excellence in nursing sciences, clinical care and research, and its desire to touch lives and offer transforming care to those suffering from illness and disease.

*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

*Benediction

*Closing Hymn 188

Christ Is the World’s Light

Closing Voluntary

Canzona in G Minor

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

Johann Jakob Froberger

(1616–1667)

* All rise as able
TODAY IN WORSHIP

PRESIDING MINISTERS
The Rev. Kathryn Lester-Bacon ……Director of Religious Life, Duke University Chapel
The Rev. Breana van Velzen…………….Community Minister, Duke University Chapel

PREACHER
The Rev. Dr. Carol Gregg………………Pastor, Congregation at Duke Chapel

LECTOR
Ms. Maria Morrison……………………………………………………………………Trinity ’22

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

MISSION OF THE MONTH
Ms. Jennie Vaughn …………Volunteer, Parktown Food Hub; Member, Duke Chapel Choir

HEAD USHER
Dr. James Ferguson ………………………Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel

TODAY’S FLOWERS | Today’s flowers are provided by the generosity of the Nancy Hanks Fund.

NEW MEMBERS OF THE CONGREGATION AT DUKE CHAPEL | The Congregation at Duke Chapel welcomes its newest members: Dana Hogan, John Mackessy, Brooke Moy, Ileana Porges-West, Kashmiri Schmookler, Mike and Gail Stanley, and Lisa Zuo. Learn more about the Congregation via the contact information on the back of this worship guide.

TODAY’S OFFERING | All of today’s cash offerings and checks written to Duke University Chapel will be used to support the Mission of the Month, the Parktown Food Hub. A faith-based community partnership aimed at reducing hunger and food insecurity in South Durham, Parktown Food Hub strives to bring people together around food, something that every human being requires. It seeks to be a place where the common needs for food, community, friends, and relationships can be met. You are invited to give online at chapel.duke.edu/offering. Please send checks to: Duke University Chapel, Box 90974, Durham, NC 27708-0974.

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.
CHAPEL MUSIC CONCERT SEASON | This year, Duke Chapel is offering a robust schedule of concerts and recitals from beloved favorites like Handel’s Messiah and the Organ Recital Series to new offerings such as Guest Artist Concerts. See the full schedule at chapel.duke.edu/music.

CHORAL EVENSONG THIS AFTERNOON | Join us for a service of Choral Evensong this afternoon at 4:00 p.m. The service is centered on psalms and biblical canticles, and follows the liturgy of the 1662 Book of Common Prayer.

HUMANITARIAN SERVICE AWARD RECEPTION | This year, the Chapel will honor Ruby Thompkins, manager of information services at Duke Police, with the Humanitarian Service Award. The award is given each year to someone who demonstrates both a long-term commitment to serving others and a lifestyle marked by simplicity. All are welcome at a reception to present the award to Ms. Thompkins today, October 24, at 2:30 p.m. at Bovender Terrace, which is just outside from Zweli’s Cafe in the Divinity School.

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY TOMORROW | University graduate students, other young adults, and their partners are invited to a virtual Bible study on the second and fourth Mondays of the month. The next gatherings are October 25, and November 8 at 6:30 p.m. All questions and perspectives are welcome. Please contact matthew.r.wright@duke.edu for additional information.

INTER-RELIGIOUS DISCUSSION OF FAITH AND SCIENCE | This Tuesday, October 26, at 7:00 p.m. the Chapel is co-sponsoring an online conversation on “STEM from Faith: A Dialogue Between Faith and Science.” The discussion among scientists and scholars from Jewish, Christian, and Muslim faith traditions will explore the different ways that faith and science have worked together and have been in tension. The other co-sponsors of the event are Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Judea Reform, and Duke’s Center for Muslim Life. Register at no cost on the Chapel website at chapel.duke.edu/stem.

DISCUSSING A NEW BOOK ON THE SACRED DIMENSION OF HUMAN LIFE | Divinity School Professor Norman Wirzba, a member of the Congregation at Duke Chapel, is publishing a new book through Cambridge University Press, This Sacred Life: Humanity’s Place in a Wounded World, which explores the value and purpose of human life. He will talk about themes from the book as part of a panel discussion this Friday, October 29, at 3:00 p.m. in the Divinity School’s York Room.

ALL HALLOWES’ EVE SERVICE | The Chapel’s candlelit All Hallows’ Eve service will Sunday, October 31, at 10:30 p.m. This festival in the Church recalls the faith and witness of those who have carried on and cherished the Christian faith throughout history. The service celebrates the Church's continuing communion with these men and women and memorializes the recently deceased. It comprises scripture readings, testimonies about saints of the faith, and music led by the Chapel’s Vespers Ensemble. (Halloween costumes are welcome in this service!)
ALL SAINTS’ REQUIEM EUCHARIST | In commemoration of All Saints’ Day, we will hold a special Requiem Choral Eucharist on Monday, November 1, at 7:00 pm. Music at this service will feature Spanish composer, Tomás Luis de Victoria’s *Officium Defunctorum*, a setting of the Requiem Mass from 1603. This service is offered in collaboration with the Anglican Episcopal House of Studies at Duke Divinity School.

AFTER WHITENESS | For three Wednesdays in November, book groups will meet at 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. to discuss *After Whiteness: An Education in Belonging* by Willie James Jennings. Groups will meet virtually starting on Wednesday, November 3. For the zoom link or additional information, please contact congregation@duke.edu.

JAZZ VESPERS NOV. 4 | Our Jazz Vespers service on Thursday, November 4, at 7:00 p.m. blends the form of the traditional evening vespers service with the musical improvisation of jazz. The service combines poetry, ritual, blessings, and music. It is led by the John Brown Big Band, a professional jazz ensemble under the direction of John V. Brown, Vice Provost for the Arts at Duke University.

DURHAM PILGRIMAGE OF PAIN AND HOPE | Join students and Duke community members for the weekend of November 5–7 in an opportunity to discover how your spiritual journey is connected to our city, Durham. Through the Pilgrimage of Pain and Hope you will immerse yourself in the story of the city and the biblical story as you reflect with others on what it means for how you live your life in Durham. This is a full weekend experience from Friday afternoon through Sunday afternoon. Contact Rev. Bruce Puckett, assistant dean of the Chapel, if you are interested at bruce.puckett@duke.edu.

ORGAN RECITAL NOV. 7 | The Chapel will welcome organist Andrew Scanlon to present a recital on Sunday, November 7, at 5:00 p.m. Dr. Scanlon was recently appointed associate organist and choirmaster at the Church of the Advent in Boston, Massachusetts. From 2009 to 2021, he was the organ professor at East Carolina University as well as organist and choirmaster of St. Paul’s Episcopal Church in Greenville, North Carolina. Dr. Scanlon will play music by Johann Sebastian Bach, Nicolaus Bruhns, Pierre Cochereau, and Joseph Jongen on the Flentrop and Aeolian organs. Admission is free.

JUSTICE AND THE SPIRITUAL CRISIS OF GUN VIOLENCE | On Saturday, November 13, from 9:00 a.m. to 12-noon the Congregation at Duke Chapel, Community Ministry at Duke Chapel, and the Religious Coalition for a Nonviolent Durham will sponsor a virtual retreat on “Justice and the Spiritual Crisis of Gun Violence.” This retreat will explore the complexity of gun violence in Durham by listening to multiple voices engaged in its tragic everyday reality. To register, please contact congregation@duke.edu.
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The Congregation at Duke University 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.

**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 both in person and virtually, are open to the public. New participants are welcome at any time. Please contact congregation@duke.edu for Zoom link. Classes are as follows:

- **Wee Praise:** Music and movement for children ages 03–with parents or caregivers available virtually.
- **Godly Play:** Spiritual formation for children ages 4 through 5th grade available virtually.
- **Youth Bible Study:** Youth grades 6-12 will explore the Book of Genesis in Westbrook 0013.
- **Adult Bible Study:** Exploration of the book of Jeremiah in Westbrook 0015.
- **Adult Forum:** On October 31, Carl Hollomon, Congregation members, will address “All the Saints”

**LET'S BE IN TOUCH**

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