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CHAPEL

BRIDGING FAITH & LEARNING

SERVICE OF WORSHIP
Reformation Sunday
Sunday, October 29, 11:00 a.m.



Martiros Saryan, *View of Bjini Fortress*, 1923.

On October 31, 1517, Martin Luther, an Augustinian monk and professor at the University of Wittenberg, posted a list of ninety-five theses for academic debate. By the late 1600s, Lutheran and Reformed churches across Europe were commemorating that event as a turning point in the renewal of the church. At the theological center of the reform movement was the good news that we are not saved by our own merits but by the freely given grace of God through faith in Jesus. We do not trust in human strength but in Christ, the incarnate Word of God, our fortress and refuge. Conscious of the need for perpetual renewal—within the church and within our own hearts—we pray on this Reformation Sunday that the Holy Spirit would continue to breathe through us, uniting us in our proclamation of, and witness to, God’s love for the world.

Gathering

Carillon

Prelude

Nun bitten wir den heiligen Geist, BuxWV 208
Now Pray We to the Holy Spirit

Dieterich Buxtehude
(c. 1637–1707)

Ein' feste Burg ist unser Gott, BuxWV 184
A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Introit

Ubi Caritas

Ola Gjeilo

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

*Where charity and love are, God is there.
We are gathered into one by the love of Christ.
Let us rejoice in the living God.
Let us fear and love the living God.
And let us love one another with a sincere heart. Amen.*

—*Latin hymn, c. 9th cent.*

Greeting and Call to Worship

*Gathering Hymn | See hymn at the end of worship guide.

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

EIN FESTE BURG
arr. David Cherwien

*All rise as able

***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.

***Response of Praise**

Glory Be to the Father

Glenn L. Jones

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son,
and to the Ho - ly Ghost, the Three in One; as it
was in the be - gin-ning, is now and ev - er shall be,
world with - out end. A - men. A - men.

***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 | Sung by the choir.

A Prayer for the Church

Zebulon M. Highben

Lord, make the doors of this church wide to receive all who need human love, yet narrow enough to shut out all envy, pride, and strife. Make its threshold smooth to be no stumbling block to children or straying feet, but rugged and strong enough to turn back the Tempter's power. Lord God, make the church the gateway to thine eternal kingdom. Amen.

—*Thomas Ken, alt.*

Old Testament Lesson | OT page 691 in pew Bibles.

Jeremiah 31:31–34

Lector: The word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalmody | The cantor introduces the refrain and chants the verses. The congregation sings the refrain as indicated.

Psalm 46

setting: Hal Hopson



God is our ref - uge, God is our strength.

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.
Therefore we will not fear though the earth should change,
though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;
though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble with its tumult. *Refrain*

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.
God is in the midst of the city which shall not be moved;
God will help it at the dawn of day.
The nations rage, the kingdoms totter;
God's voice resounds, the earth melts.

The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our refuge. *Refrain*

Come, behold the works of the Lord,
who has wrought desolations in the earth;
who makes wars to cease to the end of the earth;
breaks the bow, shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire!
“Be still and know that I am God.
I am exalted among the nations; I am exalted in the earth!”
The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our refuge. *Refrain*

New Testament Lesson | NT page 144 in pew Bibles.

Romans 3:19–28

Lector: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*Gospel Lesson | NT page 95 in pew Bibles.

John 8:31–36

Lector: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Preaching to the Choir

Response

*Response Hymn | UMH 79

Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

GROSSER GOTT
arr. Chad Fothergill

st. 1 – *all*

st. 2 – treble voices begin, *all* at “fill the heavens...”

st. 3 & 5 – choir

st. 4 – *all*

Commissioning of Chapel Scholars

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

Contrapunctus I (The Art of Fugue)

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

arr. Ralph Sauer

*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 can be found in the hymnal at 895.

Sending Forth

*Benediction

*Sending Hymn | See hymn at the end of worship guide.

The Church of Christ in Every Age

WAREHAM
arr. Chad Fothergill

Postlude

Ubi Caritas et Amor

Gerald Near

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 *Dean, Duke University Chapel*

Kathryn Lester-Bacon *Director of Religious Life, Duke University Chapel*

Bruce Puckett *Assistant Dean, Duke University Chapel*

Preacher

Brian Konkol *Dean, Hendricks Chapel, Syracuse University*

Lectors

Garrett Kaiser *Chapel Scholar; Divinity '25*

Sarah Ruiz *Chapel Scholar; Pratt '26*

Musicians

Duke Chapel Choir *Choir*

Zebulon Highben *Director of Chapel Music, Duke University Chapel*

Robert Parkins *University Organist, Duke University*

Chad Fothergill *Chapel Organist, Duke University Chapel*

Katherine Johnson *Organ Scholar, Duke University Chapel*

Kirsten Overdahl *Cantor*

Paul Neebe *Trumpet, Amalgam Brass*

Alex Fioto *Trumpet, Amalgam Brass*

Kim Van Pelt *Horn, Amalgam Brass*

Mike Kris *Trombone, Amalgam Brass*

Steve Truckenbrod *Trombone, Amalgam Brass*

Mitchell Eithun *Chapel Carillonneur, Duke University Chapel*

Head Usher

James Ferguson *Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel*

Today's Guest Preacher | The Rev. Dr. Brian Konkol serves as dean of Hendricks Chapel at Syracuse University. He is also a professor of practice in Syracuse's Department of Religion in the College of Arts and Sciences, a senior research associate in the Program for the Advancement of Research on Conflict and Collaboration in the Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, and a co-founder of the Fellowship for Emerging Leaders in Ministry through a partnership with Le Moyne College. An ordained Lutheran minister, he is responsible for guiding, nurturing, and enhancing religious, spiritual, moral, and ethical life at the university and across its extended community. Rev. Dr. Konkol has a diverse and global background of leadership and learning, having served at parishes, ministries, and schools in Guyana, South Africa, and the United States.

Today's Offering | All of today's cash offerings and checks written to Duke University Chapel will be used to support mission trips sent out from the Chapel. Send checks to: Duke University Chapel, Box 90974, Durham, NC 27708-0974. Give online at chapel.duke.edu/offering.

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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.

Today's Music | Music has been a prominent concern in both Protestant and Catholic reform movements since at least the sixteenth century. Today's musical selections highlight these various traditions and common emphases. Our hymns come from Lutheran, Catholic, and Wesleyan sources; the text of the Prayer for Illumination, sung by the Chapel Choir, was written by an 18th-century Anglican bishop. The Response of Praise comes from a 20th-century African American Baptist context. This denominational diversity reminds us that—as the text of the introit puts it—we are all “gathered into one by the love of Christ.”

ENGAGE

University Prayer of Thanksgiving | Each week, we focus on a different campus unit, school, or department for whom to give thanks to God. Today, we give thanks for the Office of Information Technology.

Organ Recital | The next performance in the Organ Recital Series is today 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 this Tuesday, October 31, at 10:30 p.m. 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 this Thursday, November 2, at 7:00 p.m. All Souls' Day marks when the Church commemorates all who died in the faith. Members of the AEHS 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 Groups | Two student choral groups, United in Praise and Something Borrowed Something Blue, will present a free concert titled "God's Got You" next Sunday, November 5, at 4:00 p.m. at Duke Chapel.

Jazz Vespers | Rest, pray, celebrate, and sing at the Chapel's Jazz Vespers service on Thursday, November 9, at 7:00 p.m. 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.

GATHERING HYMN | A Mighty Fortress



1. A might - y for - tress is our God, a
 2. No strength of ours can match his might! We
Choir 3. *Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land all*
 4. God's Word for - ev - er shall a - bide, no



sword and shield vic - to - rious; he breaks the cruel op -
 would be lost, re - ject - ed. But now a cham - pion
threat - 'ning to de - vour us, we trem - ble not, un -
 thanks to foes, who fear it; for God him - self fights



pres - sor's rod and wins sal - va - tion glo - rious.
 comes to fight, whom God him - self e - lect - ed.
moved we stand; they can - not o - ver - pow'r us.
 by our side with weap - ons of the Spir - it.



The old sa - tan - ic foe has sworn to work us woe!
 You ask who this may be? The Lord of hosts is he!
Let this world's ty - rant rage; in bat - tle we'll en - gage!
 Were they to take our house, goods, hon - or, child, or spouse,



With craft and dread - ful might he arms him -
 Christ Je - sus, might - y Lord, God's on - ly
His might is doomed to fail; God's judg - ment
 though life be wrenched a - way, they can - not



self to fight. On earth he has no e - qual.
 Son, a - dored. He holds the field vic - to - rious.
must pre - vail! One lit - tle word sub - dues him.
 win the day. The king - dom's ours for - ev - er!

SENDING HYMN | The Church of Christ in Every Age



1. The church of Christ, in ev - 'ry age
2. A - cross the world, a - cross the street,
3. Then let the ser - vant church a - rise,
4. For he a - lone, whose blood was shed,
5. We have no mis - sion but to serve



be - set by change, but Spir - it - led,
the vic - tims of in - jus - tice cry
a car - ing church that longs to be
can cure the fe - ver in our blood,
in full o - be - dience to our Lord;



must claim and test its her - i - tage
for shel - ter and for bread to eat,
a part - ner in Christ's sac - ri - fice,
and teach us how to share our bread
to care for all, with - out re - serve,



and keep on ris - ing from the dead.
and nev - er live be - fore they die.
and clothed in Christ's hu - man - i - ty.
and feed the starv - ing mul - ti - tude.
and spread his lib - er - at - ing word.

Text: Fred Pratt Green, 1903–2000

Music: William Knapp, 1698–1768

WAREHAM

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