

#### SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost Sunday, October 27, 2024, 11:00 a.m.



Thobias Minzi, Christ Healing the Blind, detail, 2010.

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 faith, Bartimaeus called out to Jesus, the Son of David, for mercy, showing that though physically blind, he could see Jesus as the healing savior.

# Gathering

Carillon

Prelude

Fantasy in C Minor, BWV 537/1

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

**Greeting and Call to Worship** 

\*Gathering Hymn | UMH 568

Christ for the World We Sing

ITALIAN HYMN

\*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 | OT page 690 in pew Bibles.

Jeremiah 31:7-9

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

Psalmody | The Psalm is chanted by the choir.

Psalm 126

Plainsong, ed. James Litton

When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, then were we like those who dream.

Then was our mouth filled with laughter,

and our tongue with shouts of joy.
Then they said among the nations,

"The LORD has done great things for them."

The LORD has done great things for us, and we are glad in deed.

Restore our fortunes, O LORD, Like the watercourses of the Negev.

Those who sowed in tears will reap with songs of joy.

Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

\*Gospel Lesson | NT page 44 in pew Bibles.

Mark 10:46-52

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

Sermon

Coming to Jesus

\*Response Hymn | UMH 348

Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling

**THOMPSON** 

\*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.

**Chapel Scholars Commissioning** 

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

Soon Ah Will Be Done

William Dawson (1899–1990)

Soon ah will be done-a with the troubles of the world, the troubles of the world, the troubles of the world. Soon ah will be done-a with the troubles of the world, goin' home to live with God.

I want to meet my mother...

No more weepin' and a wailin'...

I want to meet my Jesus...

—Black spiritual

\*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**

\*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

May You Abound in Hope

Anne Krentz Organ

May the God of hope fill you with joy. May the God of hope fill you with peace in believing. By the power of the Holy Spirit may you abound in hope. Amen.

<sup>\*</sup>Prayer of Thanksgiving

\*Benediction

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

O Christ, Your Heart, Compassionate

KINGSFOLD

**Postlude** 

Fugue in C Minor, BWV 537/2

J. S. Bach

#### Carillon

**Memorial Chapel Communion** | Immediately following the postlude, a brief communion service will be held in Memorial Chapel; worship guides for the service are available near the entrance. Following communion, the minister will be available to offer prayers and anointing.

## **TODAY IN WORSHIP**

# **Presiding Ministers**

## Preacher

#### Lectors

Caleb LianChapel Scholar, Trinity '27Riley ShumanChapel Scholar; Pratt '26

#### Musicians

Duke Chapel 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
Mitchell Eithun	

#### **Head Ushers**

Ken Arneson	. Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel
James Ferguson	. Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel

Today's Guest Preacher | Dr. Diana Butler Bass is an award-winning author, popular speaker, inspiring preacher, and commentator on religion and contemporary spirituality. Dr. Bass holds a doctorate in religious studies from Duke University and is the author of eleven books. Her bylines include The New York Times, The Washington Post, CNN. com, Atlantic.com, USA Today, Huffington Post, Spirituality and Health, Reader's Digest, Christian Century, and Sojourners. She has commented on religion, politics, and culture in the media widely including on CBS, CNN, PBS, NPR, CBC, FOX, Sirius XM, TIME, Newsweek, Rolling Stone, and in multiple global news outlets. In the 1990s, she wrote a weekly column on religion and culture for the Santa Barbara News-Press, which was distributed nationally by the New York Times Syndicate. Her work has received two Wilbur Awards for best nonfiction book of the year, awards from Religion News Association for individual commentary and for Book of the Year, Nautilus Awards Silver and Gold medals, the Illumination Book Award Silver medal, Books for a Better Life Award, Book of the Year of the Academy of Parish Clergy, the Frank S. and Elizabeth D. Brewer Prize for Church History, Substack Fellowship for Independent Writers, and Publishers Weekly's Best Religion Book of the Year.

**Today's Offering** | All of today's cash offerings and checks written to Duke University Chapel will be used to support the Chapel's Development Fund for Mission and Ministry. Send checks to: Duke University Chapel, Box 90974, Durham, NC 27708-0974. Give online at <a href="mailto:chapel.duke.edu/offering">chapel.duke.edu/offering</a>.

**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.

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**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.

**Choral Evensong** | Our service of Choral Evensong today at 4:00 p.m. follows the liturgy of the *Book of Common Prayer* and features music from the English cathedral tradition, led by the Chapel's Evensong Singers. This semester, Evensong features music by the Anglo-Irish composer Charles Villiers Stanford as we commemorate the 100th anniversary of his death. A prolific composer of symphonic, chamber, vocal, and choral music, Stanford's sacred music has remained popular.

All Hallows' Eve | All Hallows' Eve service 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. The Chapel's Communion service on Thursday, October 31, at 10:30 p.m. celebrates the Church's continuing communion with these men and women and memorializes the recently deceased. With music led by the Chapel's Schola Cantorum and Chapel organists, the service comprises scripture readings, testimonies about saints, anthems, and hymns.

All Saints' Eucharist | The Chapel will celebrate a Eucharist of Thanksgiving for All Saints on Sunday, November 3, at 4:00 p.m. Music for the service will include the *Missa Brevis* by Grayston Ives and motets by Charles Villiers Stanford, including *Beati quorum via* and *Justorum Animae*. Members of Duke Divinity School's Anglican Episcopal House of Studies will assist at the service and the Chapel's Evensong Singers will lead the music.

'Day of the Dead' Altar Piece | Honor the dead with *Día de los Muertos Ofrenda*, a Day of the Dead altar piece, at the Chapel through November 7. Visitors are invited to contribute to this sacred Mexican tradition by adding an offering in the form of photographs or objects that represent a departed loved one, or by adding a link to a paper chain that drapes over the Ofrenda. The display and related programs are being presented by the Chapel, Duke Arts, and Say the Thing.

Belonging, Believing, Behaving | Dr. Curtis W. Freeman will lead the Congregation's fall retreat on Saturday, November 9, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Trinity Avenue Presbyterian Church in Durham. The retreat will lead participants through a reflection on what it means to establish the habits and practices that foster belonging, believing, and behaving. Dr. Freeman is the Ruth D. Duncan Director of the Baptist House of Studies and Research Professor of Theology and Baptist Studies at Duke Divinity School. The retreat will draw upon Dr. Freeman's recent books, *Pilgrim Letters: Instruction in the Basic Teaching of Christ* and *Pilgrim Journey: Instruction in the Mystery of the Gospel*. A participant fee of \$10 will cover the cost of a catered lunch. For more details and to register, please contact the Congregation Office at congregation@duke.edu.

Organ Recital | In the next organ recital on Sunday, November 10, at 5:00 p.m., Stefan Engels will perform works by J. S. Bach, Robert Schumann, and Sigfrid Karg-Elert on the Chapel's Flentrop and Aeolian organs. Professor of Organ at Southern Methodist University, Engels held previous faculty positions at Westminster Choir College and the University of Music and Performing Arts "Felix Mendelssohn Bartholdy" in Leipzig. A specialist in the music of Karg-Elert, Prof. Engels has recorded the prolific German romantic composer's complete organ works, reviewed to international critical acclaim.

An Evening with Irish Poet Pádraig Ó Tuama | The Irish poet and theologian Pádraig Ó Tuama is the featured speaker for a public conversation and poetry reading on Tuesday, November 19, at 6:00 p.m. in Duke University Chapel. The host of the popular podcast *Poetry Unbound*, Ó Tuama will discuss "Poetry, Prayer, and Public Healing" for Duke Chapel's 2024 William Preston Few Lecture. Working at the intersection of poetry, theology, and conflict resolution, Ó Tuama is the author of eight books that range from memoir to poetry to devotional guide—often blending all three genres. To reserve a free ticket, visit chapel.duke.edu/fewtickets.

Assistant Dean of Religious Life | An experienced college chaplain and teacher, the Rev. Dr. P. Lynwood Pace, Jr. will serve as Assistant Dean of Religious Life at Duke Chapel, beginning January 1, 2025. Rev. Dr. Pace comes to Duke from Oxford College of Emory University, where he has been the College Chaplain since 2009, overseeing ten religious student groups, convening interfaith discussions, and providing campus leadership in times of grief. In his role as Assistant Dean of Religious Life, Pace will work closely with Dean Luke Powery and the Chapel staff in guiding and supporting the leaders of Duke's Religious Life groups.

Tickets for Handel's 'Messiah' | Since 1933, Duke University Chapel has welcomed the holiday season with the sublime music of *Messiah*. From the haunting strains of "The people that walked in darkness" to the exuberant triumph of "Hallelujah" and "Worthy is the Lamb," George Frideric Handel's masterwork weaves a musical tapestry that recounts the story of Christ's life, from birth through death and resurrection. This year's *Messiah* performances on December 6, 7, and 8 will be presented on period instruments with Baroque-era tuning. Each performance will include selections from Parts I, II, and III, and will last approximately two hours and fifteen minutes with intermission. Purchase tickets through the Duke Box Office at tickets.duke.edu.

**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 <a href="mailto:congregation@duke.edu">congregation@duke.edu</a> for additional information.

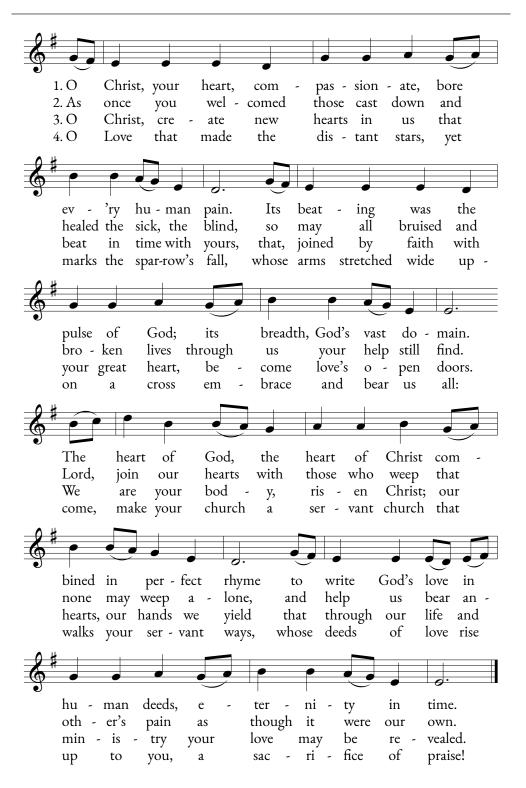
Wee Praise: Music and movement for children ages 0–3 with parents or caregivers in 0011 Westbrook

**Godly Play:** Spiritual formation for children ages 4–1st grade in 0054 Langford

**Godly Play Advanced:** Spiritual formation for children in 2nd–5th grades in 0050 Langford

**Youth Program:** Youth will explore a survey of the Old Testament in 0015 Westbrook

Adult Bible Study: Study of the book of Amos in 0013 and over Zoom Adult Forum: Next Sunday, Henry Perry, Congregation member and affiliated with Johns Hopkins Center for Global Health, will discuss "A Personal Journey of Bridging Faith and Learning n Global Health" in 0012 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 <a href="mailto:dukechapel@duke.edu">dukechapel@duke.edu</a>.

## 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 <a href="mailto:chapel.duke.edu/connect">chapel.duke.edu/connect</a>.







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