In today’s lesson from 1 Thessalonians, followers of Christ are encouraged to be children of light, and to be people who are awake in hope and love. Judgment is a term we rarely associate with freedom, but in Matthew’s parable of the talents, the master has harsh judgment for the slave who hoarded his coin rather than risk investment and growth. Sometimes judgment calls us to honest reflection and frees us to be a people who take risks for the growth and flourishing of the kingdom.
The congregation is asked to remain silent during the prelude as a time of prayer and meditation. The Chapel welcomes families with children. If at any time during the service your child needs a place for active play, please know there is a nursery in the Chapel basement.

**GATHERING**

**CARILLON**

**ORGAN PRELUDE**

*O wie selig seid ihr doch, ihr Frommen* (O How Blessed Are Ye Faithful)  
**Johannes Brahms** (1833–1897)

*O Gott, du frommer Gott*  
(O God, Thou Faithful God)

**INTROIT**

Tebe poyem no. 2  
**Alexander Kastalsky** (1856–1926)

Tebe poyem  
We sing to you,

Tebe blagoslovim  
We praise you,

Tebe blagodarim, Gospodi  
We thank you, O Lord,

I molim ti sia, Bozhe nash.  
And we pray to you, our God.

—from the Orthodox Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

**GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*OPENING PROCESSION: HYMN 529

How Firm a Foundation  
**BETHANY**

*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.

The minister speaks words of assurance.

*PEACE*

(All exchange signs and words of God’s peace.)

**PROCLAMATION**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (in unison)**

Heavenly Lord, you long for the world’s salvation: as we hear the gift of your word, stir us from apathy, restrain us from excess, and revive in us new hope that all creation will one day be healed in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
FIRST LESSON—1 Thessalonians 5:1–11 (NT page 193 in the pew Bible)

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*GRADUAL HYMN 452 (stanzas 1–2)

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

(All turn to face the Gospel Procession.)

*GOSPEL LESSON—Matthew 25:14–30 (NT page 27)

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*GRADUAL HYMN 452 (stanzas 3–4)

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

SERMON—Burying Fear

RESPONSE

DUKE CHAPEL SCHOLARS COMMISSIONING

The new Chapel Scholars gather on the chancel steps, facing Dr. Adam Hollowell, the Director of Student Ministry, and the Rev. Bruce Puckett, the Director of Community Ministry.

The Rev. Puckett: Chapel Scholars walk together on a journey of discernment which includes listening to God in the classroom, among peers and pastors, in conversation, and at work, in Durham and beyond. Are you ready to meet God and discover more of who God has made you to be?

New Scholars: We are.

Dr. Hollowell: We thank you, Lord, for the churches that have formed these students, and for the communities on campus that nourish and enrich their faith. Bless these Chapel Scholars as they listen for your voice and respond to your call, and show them how to find freedom in your service.

New Scholars: Amen.

The Rev. Puckett: Lord Jesus, you are the way, the truth, and the life. Walk with us on the way, that we may find your truth and enter your new life.

Congregation: Give us the grace to grow in love and friendship with you and with each other. Amen.

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: “Hear our prayer.”)
This morning we celebrate the Department of Music, whose students and faculty enrich the lives of the Duke and Durham communities, giving expression to the human yearning for beauty, harmony, and peace.

In Durham we remember those seeking to live a new life after being released from prison, those working in the prison system, and the people who walk with returning citizens.

**Offertory**

O Lord God

O Lord God, hear Thou my prayer,  
Help Thou me, and give ear to my prayer.  
Daily do I worship Thy great name and Thy power.  
Thou alone canst help me.  
O send me Thy peace and love,  
O protect me, my God.  
Let me never stray, O my savior.  
Leave me not, O God of my salvation.  
I will sing to the Lord as long as I live,  
And praise Thy great name while I have my being.  
Hear my prayer, help Thou me, and give ear to my prayer.  
Glory to God.

*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 and Communion**

*The Great Thanksgiving*  
(Musical Setting A, found on page 17 in the hymnal)

*The Lord’s Prayer* (number 895 in the hymnal, in unison)

**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. Wine is used for communion. If you would prefer to receive grape juice, it is available upon request at the communion station near the main entrance of the Chapel, on the pulpit side. If you have a gluten allergy, those serving communion nearest to the Memorial Chapel will be ready to serve you gluten-free wafers and wine on request. You may also come forward to receive a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest.

If you would like to receive individual anointing with oil and prayers for healing, ministers will be in the Memorial Chapel during communion.
MUSIC DURING DISTRIBUTION

HYMN 85 (sung by all)
We Believe in One True God  
RATISBON

COMMUNION
Salvation Is Created  
Tschesnokoff
Salvation is created in the midst of the earth, O God. Alleluia.

HYMN 97 (choir only)
For the Fruits of This Creation  
EAST ACKLAM

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING FORTH

*BENEDICTION

*CLOSING PROCESSION: HYMN 581
Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service  
BEACH SPRING

*CHORAL BLESSING
God Be in My Head  
John Rutter (b. 1945)
God be in my head and in my understanding. God be in mine eyes and in my looking. God be in my mouth and in my speaking. God be in my heart and in my thinking. God be at my end and in my departing.

ORGAN POSTLUDE
Prelude and Fugue in A Minor  
Brahms

CARILLON

*All who are able may stand.

MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

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Dr. Adam Hollowell
The Rev. Bruce Puckett

Preacher  The Rev. Dr. Luke Powery

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Dr. Robert Parkins
Mr. Christopher Jacobson

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The Rev. Bruce Puckett
Dr. Christy Lohr Sapp
Dr. Adam Hollowell

Head Ushers  Dr. James Ferguson and Mr. Rick Wilfong

Carillonneur  Mr. J. Samuel Hammond
**Chapel Announcements**

**Today’s Flowers**—Flowers for today’s worship are given to the glory of God by donors to the Gotham fund, in memory of Mary Duke Biddle.

**Today’s Offering**—All of today’s cash offerings and undesignated checks will be used to support the Chapel’s PathWays program, which offers students opportunities to discern God’s call for their lives through study, counsel, service, and community.

**Duke University Chapel Humanitarian Service Award**—The 2014 recipients of the Humanitarian Service Award (HSA) are Mrs. Brenda Brodie and Rev. Dr. Colin Miller. The HSA seeks to recognize individuals who have demonstrated a long-term commitment to serving others and a lifestyle marked by simplicity. Among other things, Brenda has been a champion of the community gardening movement and, through the founding of SEEDS, has emphasized the value of educating under resourced youth about food and organic gardening. As a priest in the Episcopal Church, Colin has given his life to prayer, simplicity, hospitality, and service. He is the founder of the Community of the Franciscan Way, an intentional Christian Community in Durham modeled on the Catholic Worker Movement and committed to hospitality. Brenda and Colin will be honored at a reception today at 3:00 p.m. in the Alumni Memorial Commons Room of Duke Divinity School. They will each receive a $1500 grant to further humanitarian efforts.

**Handel’s Messiah Ticket Sales**—The Duke Chapel Choir, soloists, and orchestra will perform Handel’s *Messiah* on December 5 at 7:30 p.m., December 6 at 2:00 p.m., and December 7 at 3:00 p.m., in Duke Chapel. Tickets are $20 for adults, $5 for non-Duke students, and free for the first 300 Duke students. Tickets are available at the Duke Box Office by calling 919-684-4444 or at [www.tickets.duke.edu](http://www.tickets.duke.edu)

**Sermons Available**—Copies of today’s sermon are available in the communication stands at either side of the narthex, just inside the front doors of the Chapel. A downloadable PDF, podcast, and webcast of sermons each week are available on the Chapel’s website, [www.chapel.duke.edu](http://www.chapel.duke.edu).

**Duke Chapel Events Listserv**—If you would like to receive emails about upcoming events sponsored by Duke Chapel, such as concerts, talks, special worship services, and more, please visit [www.chapel.duke.edu/calendar](http://www.chapel.duke.edu/calendar), or send an email to Adrienne Koch at adrienne.koch@duke.edu.

**Strategic Plan**—To view Duke Chapel’s new strategic plan and learn how the Chapel embodies the University’s motto, *eruditio et religio*, bridging faith and learning, visit [chapel.duke.edu/mission/strategic-plan](http://chapel.duke.edu/mission/strategic-plan).
The following Congregation opportunities are open to all.

**Sunday Education**—All Sunday morning classes meet in the lowest level of Duke Divinity School from 9:45–10:45 a.m. New participants are welcome at any time. Classes include:

- **Wee Praise** for infants through children age 3 with parents or caregivers in 0014 Westbrook
- **Godly Play** for 4-year olds through 5th graders in 0050 Langford
- **Youth Sunday School** for youth in 6th–12th grades in 0013 Westbrook
- **Adult Bible Study** focused on the theme of hope in 0011 Westbrook
- **Adult Forum**: Next Sunday, Nelson Strother, Congregation member, will address “What Did Jesus Ask?” in 0012 Westbrook

**Lunch Today**—Gratitude and fellowship are the themes for the potluck held in lower level of the Chapel immediately following worship today. All are welcome.

**Coats and Socks on the Back Pew**—Gently used, clean warm coats and new warm socks will be given to the 300 guests who will attend Christmas dinner at Antioch Baptist Church. Men’s, women’s, and children’s items are needed, but particularly large and extra-large men’s coats. Donationas will be recieved today. Monetary donations can be made out to the Congregation at Duke Chapel with the notation, “Feeding Our Friends.”

**Saturday Service Project**—Volunteers are needed on November 22 from 9:00 a.m.–12:00 noon at Genesis Home, 300 N. Queen St., Durham to clean and beautify the facility. Genesis Home provides transitional housing for homeless families. Please contact Brad Troxell at brad.troxell@duke.edu or 919-684-3917 for questions or to indicate your plans to attend.

**Angel Tree**—In partnership with Duke Community Service Center’s Project Share, the Mission Committee invites donations of new gifts to be distributed to economically disadvantaged citizens in Durham during the holiday season. On November 23 and 30, please select the name of a child or an adult for whom to provide gifts from the Christmas Angel bulletin board as you leave the Chapel after worship. Wrapped gifts are to be returned to the Chapel on December 7.

**Stewardship Pledges**—The Congregation seeks pledges of support for 2015 in time, talent and treasure. If you have not received a pledge card, but would like one, please call 919-684-3917. Please return completed pledge cards by December 1.

**eNews**—The Congregation at Duke Chapel publishes a weekly email announcing programs and events of the Congregation. If you would like to receive this weekly newsletter, please email congregation@duke.edu.
Duke Chapel is a grand building, suitable for hosting major events in the life of the University and its members; it acts as a moderator for the diversity of religious identity and expression on campus; and it is a Christian church of an unusually interdenominational character, with a tradition of stirring music, preaching, and liturgy. We welcome you to our life of worship, learning, dialogue, and service.

We invite you to consider joining the Congregation at Duke Chapel. The Congregation is an interdenominational church with a variety of vibrant ministries, including discipleship and spiritual formation (for children, youth, and adults), mission and outreach, and pastoral care. If you would like to receive the weekly eNews from the Congregation or have any questions, please email congregation@duke.edu or call 919-684-3917.

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