



Duke UNIVERSITY CHAPEL

BRIDGING FAITH & LEARNING

SERVICE OF WORSHIP
Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday, November 14, 2021, 11:00 a.m.



Baptism

Clementine Hunter, 1886/7-1988

In today's gospel lesson, Jesus speaks of the instability of the present. What looks eternal, things like impressive buildings and stones stacked high, is in fact temporal and shaky. Jesus cautions his disciples not to be deceived or lead astray by those who come claiming to be the Christ. Instead, Jesus instructs his disciples to keep watch for the signs of disruption that point to the birthing of a new future. The author of Hebrews writes to Jewish Christians who have witnessed the destruction of the temple in Jerusalem and the temple that was Christ's body. In the face of the disruption they have experienced, he calls these Christians to "hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful." Though the present life is uncertain, the God revealed in Jesus is faithful and worthy of confidence.

Gathering

Opening Voluntary

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

Johannes Brahms
(1833–1897)

Greeting and Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn 108

God Hath Spoken by the Prophets

EBENEZER

Baptism

Presentation of Candidates | Jack Beckwith, Khai Boogan, and Kashmiri Schmookler are presented for baptism. The congregation responds by reading the passages in bold at the minister's prompting.

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

Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you turn from the ways of sin and renounce evil and its power in the world?

I do.

Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Lord and Savior, trusting in his grace and love?

I do.

Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his Word and showing his love?

I will.

Profession of Faith

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.

Commitment by the Congregation

Prayer over the Water

Baptism

Commissioning Prayer and Welcome

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.

Baptism Response

The Spirit of the Lord

Zebulon M. 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.

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

Proclamation

Prayer for Illumination | In unison:

Heavenly Lord, you long for the world's salvation: as your word is read among us, 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.

Psalmody | The refrain is introduced by the cantor, then sung by all.

Psalm 16

setting by Aaron David Miller

Refrain

My heart, there-fore, is glad, and my spir - it re - joic - es; _____
my bod - y al - so shall rest in hope.

Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;

I have said to the Lord, "You are my LORD, my good above all other."

All my delight is in the godly that are in the land,

upon those who are noble among the people. *Refrain*

But those who run after other gods

shall have their troubles multiplied.

I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods,

never take their names up on my lips.

O LORD, you are my portion and my cup;

it is you who uphold my lot.

My boundaries enclose a pleasant land;

indeed, I have a rich inheritance. *Refrain*

I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel;

my heart teaches me nightafter night.

I have set the LORD always before me;

because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices;

my body also shall rest in hope.

For you will not abandon me to the grave,

nor let your holy one see the pit. *Refrain*

You will show me the path of life;

in your presence there is fullness of joy,

and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore. *Refrain*

New Testament Lesson

Hebrews 10:11–25

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

* All rise as able

***Gospel Lesson**

Mark 13:1–8

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Assured and Provoked

Response

***Response Hymn 719**

My Lord, What a Morning

BURLEIGH

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.

This morning we give thanks for the Department of Physics. We celebrate its study of matter, energy, space, and time, which informs our understanding of the universe and affects many dimensions of our common life.

Offertory Anthem

O Ye That Love the Lord

Samuel Coleridge-Taylor

(1875–1912)

O ye that love the Lord,
see that ye hate the thing which is evil:
The Lord preserveth the souls of his saints;
he shall deliver them from the hands of the ungodly.

Text: Psalm 97:10

***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.

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

God Be in My Head

John Rutter

God be in my head and in my understanding,
God be in my 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 in my end and in my departing.

Text: Sarum Primer

*Benediction

*Closing Hymn 117

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

ST. ANNE

Closing Voluntary

Carillon de Westminster, Op. 54, No. 6

Louis Vierne
(1870–1937)

* All rise as able

TODAY IN WORSHIP

PRESIDING MINISTERS

Luke A. Powery*Dean, Duke University Chapel*
Carol Gregg.....*Pastor, Congregation at Duke Chapel*

PREACHER

Bruce Puckett..... *Assistant Dean, Duke University Chapel*

LECTOR

Leslie Ballew *Divinity '23;*
Intern for Community Ministry and Religious Life, Duke University Chapel

MUSICIANS

Duke Chapel Choir.....*Choir*

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

Robert Parkins*University Organist, Duke University*

Christopher Jacobson.....*Chapel Organist, Duke University Chapel*

HEAD USHER

James Ferguson *Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel*

BAPTIZED TODAY | Please welcome the newly baptized members of the church of Jesus Christ: Kashmiri Schmookler; Jack Reilly Beckwith, son of Jonathan and Mary Sheldon Beckwith; and Siong Khai Boggan, son of Joel Boggan and Lin Ong.

TODAY'S MUSIC | The anthem at the offering is by the composer Samuel Coleridge-Taylor (1875–1912). Coleridge-Taylor was born and raised in South London; he studied with C.V. Stanford at the Royal College of Music. Though British, Coleridge-Taylor developed an interest in America and the creative work of Black Americans because of his father, who was descended from freed slaves who settled in Sierra Leone after the American Revolution. Coleridge-Taylor incorporated musical idioms of Black spirituals into his compositions, set a number of Paul Laurence Dunbar's poems to music, and made three extremely successful tours to the United States, partially funded by a society founded in Washington, DC, to promote Coleridge-Taylor and his music. His most famous works were a set of three cantatas based on texts from Henry Wadsworth Longfellow's *The Song of Hiawatha*. In the early twentieth century, these cantatas were often programmed at British choral festivals, rivalling Handel's *Messiah* in popularity.

TODAY'S OFFERING | Today's checks written to Duke University Chapel will support human service organizations in the greater Durham area. You are invited to give online at chapel.duke.edu/offering. Send checks to: Duke University Chapel, Box 90974, Durham, NC 27708-0974.

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

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.

MUSIC ACKNOWLEDGMENTS | Psalm 16 refrain by Aaron David Miller, © 2008 Augsburg Fortress. Reprinted under OneLicense #A-725399.

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SERVICE TALK BACK FOR STUDENTS | Immediately following the service today, university students are invited to stay for lunch and a conversation about the sermon. To participate, find a minister after the service.

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 THIS AFTERNOON | Rich with music spanning from the Renaissance to the present day, Choral Evensong at 4:00 p.m. today features sung prayers, psalms, and canticles. Distinct from the noisy world around us, this service offers a place for quiet contemplation.

STAFF MEMORIAL SERVICE NOV. 17 | Duke Chapel and Duke University Hospital will co-host a service of remembrance for recent and former faculty and staff members who have died in the past year. This half-hour service this Wednesday, November 17, at 3:00 p.m. will be held in the Chapel's main sanctuary (nave) and will include music, candle lighting, and reading the names of those who have died. Please join us to remember and give thanks for those who have given their work in service of the university community.

LUNCH FOR FEMALE-IDENTIFYING STUDENTS | Next Sunday, November 21, all female-identifying, undergraduate students are invited to stay after the Sunday morning service for lunch and conversation with Kiana Hertogh, the Chapel's intern for worship and student engagement. The discussion will be about how the Chapel might better suit the interests and needs of the female-identifying population, specifically as the Chapel's Student Ministry Team plans programming for the spring semester. If you plan to attend, please email Kiana Hertogh at kiana.hertogh@duke.edu.

BACH CANTATA CONCERT NOV. 21 | As Thanksgiving approaches, our next Bach Cantata concert on Sunday, November 21, at 5:00 p.m. gives thanks for music and the gifts of young musicians featured in this program. The soloists are from the ChorWorks Young Artists program, designed to train and provide solo opportunities in sacred music for collegiate and post-collegiate singers. The program includes J.S. Bach's cantatas, *Nun danket alle Gott* (BWV 192) and *Sei Lob und Ehr* (BWV 117). Admission is free.

ADVENT STUDY | Save time this December for an Advent study of *All the Good: A Wesleyan Way of Christmas*. This book, written by faculty at Duke Divinity school, guides readers through the four weeks of Advent by reflecting on biblical passages in light of an aspect of Wesleyan means of grace. The means of grace are highlighted by illustrations and stories. Advent study groups will meet virtually at 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on Wednesdays, December 1, 8, 15 and 22. Please contact congregation@duke.edu for additional information.

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CHAPEL CLOSED THANKSGIVING DAY | The Chapel will be closed on Thanksgiving Day, November 25. We pray that it will be a day we can all make time for gratitude for the blessings in our lives. The building will otherwise be open for normal hours, 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., on the days before and after Thanksgiving.

ARTS AND THEOLOGY FELLOWSHIP FOR STUDENTS | Duke students are invited to apply for the Chapel's C. Eric Lincoln Theology & Arts Fellowship, which comes with funding up to \$2,000 to create a visual arts project and the opportunity to display it in Duke Chapel. Applications are due November 30. Learn more, see projects from past recipients, and apply at chapel.duke.edu/ArtsFellowship.

TICKETS AVAILABLE FOR ONLINE PRESENTATION OF HANDEL'S 'MESSIAH' | Tickets are now sold out for the Chapel's two in-person performances of Handel's *Messiah*; however tickets are still available for the online presentation of the concert on December 12. In consideration of current public health protocols, this year's performances will be abbreviated to approximately ninety minutes, including all of Part I of *Messiah* (the Christmas portion) plus selected movements from Parts II and III. To purchase tickets for the virtual concert, contact the Duke Box Office at tickets.duke.edu or 919-684-4444.

VIRTUAL BACK PEW COLLECTION | Please consider helping Reality Ministries by donating items on their Wishlist. The mission of Reality Ministries is to create opportunities for adults with and without developmental disability to experience belonging, kinship and the life-changing reality of Christ's love. Supplies currently needed include: envelopes, paper, dry-erase markers, dry-erase board cleaner, sharpies, pens, stamps, coloring books, hand sanitizer. They also welcome gift cards. Donations may be dropped off at Reality Ministries at 916 Lamond Avenue, Durham.

LECTORS, COMMUNION SERVERS, AND USHERS NEEDED | Have you ever wanted to read scripture for a Chapel worship service? Are you interested in serving communion on a Sunday morning? Would you be interested in welcoming people into worship and inviting them into the praise of God? If you answered yes to any of these questions, please write Rev. Bruce Puckett, the Chapel's assistant dean, at bruce.puckett@duke.edu. All are invited to serve.

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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 November 21, Nathaniel Metz, a Duke Divinity student and pastoral assistant for the Congregation, will speak on “A Theology of Sacred Atmosphere.”

LET'S BE 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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