Today we mark the feast of Christ the King. It is a day for expressing our faith that, even though Christ was rejected and crucified, he rose and ascended, and forever reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit in glory. Jesus' reign means that no mighty power, no tragic suffering, no evil force will have the last word; the last word is Jesus. It also means we may look to Jesus' life – his humility, his sacrifice, his compassion for outcasts – for a model of true kingship. Our loyalty to this Christ goes before our loyalty to any other claim on our lives. Today is the last Sunday of the Church year: next week a new year begins with the first Sunday in Advent.
Gathering
Opening Voluntary

Orb and Sceptre

William Walton
(1902–1983)

Greeting and Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn | See hymn at back of bulletin

O God, Beyond All Praising

thaxted

arr. Richard Proulx

*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:

God the Father, help us to hear the call of Christ the King and to follow in his service, for he reigns forever with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, one glory. Amen.

First Lesson
Psalm 93

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

* All rise as able
Anthem

E’en So, Lord Jesus, Quickly Come  Paul O. Manz  
(1919–2009)

Peace be to you and grace from him
who freed us from our sins,
Who loved us all and shed his blood
that we might saved be.

Sing holy, holy to our Lord,
the Lord, almighty God,
who was, and is, and is to come.
Sing holy, holy Lord.

Rejoice in heaven, all ye that dwell therein,
rejoice on earth, ye saints below,
for Christ is coming soon.

E’en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come,
and night shall be no more.
They need no light, nor lamp, nor sun,
for Christ will be their all.

Text: Ruth Manz, after Revelation 22

Second Lesson

Daniel 7:9–10, 13–14

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

*Gradual Hymn 327 | stanzas 1 and 2

Crown Him with Many Crowns  
diademata

*Gospel Lesson

John 18:33–37

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

*Gradual Hymn 327 | stanzas 3 and 4

Crown Him with Many Crowns  
diademata

Sermon

Who Rules Whom?
Response

*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.

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 Office of Information Technology. We
celebrate the essential role it plays in managing Duke’s collaborative and
administrative IT services and in encouraging the campus to explore new
ways to use technology for teaching, learning, and research.

Mission of the Month

Offertory Anthem

Worthy Is the Lamb (Messiah)  George Frideric Handel (1685-1759)

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain,
and hath redeemed us to God by his blood,
to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength,
and honor, and glory, and blessing.

Blessing, and honor, glory and power, be unto him
that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb for ever and ever.
Amen.

Text: Revelation 5:12–14

* All rise as able
**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.

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**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.

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**Sending Forth**

*Benediction*

*Closing Hymn 157* Stanzas 4 will be sung by the choir alone.

Jesus Shall Reign, Where’er the Sun

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**Closing Voluntary**

Toccata in C Minor

Johann Pachelbel
(1653–1706)
PRESIDING MINISTERS
Kathryn Lester-Bacon .................. Director of Religious Life, Duke University Chapel
Carol Gregg .................................. Pastor, Congregation at Duke Chapel

PREACHER
Christopher Beeley .................. Jack and Barbara Bovender Professor of Theology, Anglican Studies, and Ministry, Duke Divinity School

LECTORS
Steve Harper .................................. Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel
Russell Owen .................................. Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel

MISSION OF THE MONTH
David Reese .................................. President/CEO, Durham Children's Initiative

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
Don Eagle .................................. Trumpet, Amalgam Brass
Paul Neebe .................................. Trumpet, Amalgam Brass
Kim Van Pelt .................................. Horn, Amalgam Brass
Mike Kris .................................. Trombone, Amalgam Brass
Steve Truckenbrod .......................... Tuba, Amalgam Brass

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

TODAY'S GUEST PREACHER | Today's Young Guest Preacher is the Rev. Dr. Christopher Beeley, the Jack and Barbara Bovender Professor of Theology, Anglican Studies, and Ministry at Duke Divinity School. Also the director of the school's Anglican Episcopal House of Studies, Professor Beeley's work lies at the intersection of systematic theology, Christian spirituality, and church leadership. An Anglican priest and a founding member of the Episcopal Gathering of Leaders, he has ministered in parishes in Texas, Indiana, Virginia, and Connecticut. Prior to joining the Duke faculty, he taught for sixteen years at Yale Divinity School. He speaks nationally and internationally on Christian theology, spirituality, and church leadership.

TODAY'S FLOWERS | Today's flowers are provided by the Elizabeth Lucina Gotham Memorial Endowment, established by Dr. and Mrs. James H. Semans in loving memory of Elizabeth Gotham.

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.
TODAY’S OFFERING | Today’s checks written to Duke University Chapel will support Durham Children’s Initiative, which builds pathways to equity for over 980 young people across Durham County (DCI). Founded in 2010, this comprehensive cradle-to-career pipeline brings together over sixty-five community partners to form a reinforcing ecosystem of support for low-wealth families in Durham. The theory of change guiding DCI is that engaging children and families in multiple pipeline programs, over time, will lead to better outcomes. Ten years of data from Duke’s Center for Child and Family Policy demonstrate these outcomes to be true for the 2,500 young people who have been part of DCI since 2011. 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 MUSIC | Today’s hymns, anthems, and organ voluntaries center on themes of Christ’s eternal reign. William Walton wrote his coronation march, *Orb and Sceptre*, for Queen Elizabeth II’s coronation in 1953. The title, taken from one of the speeches in William Shakespeare’s play *Henry V*, depicts Christ as an enthroned king, wielding the traditional royal orb and scepter in his hands. The anthem *E’en So, Lord Jesus, Quickly Come*, was also written in 1953, as Paul and Ruth Manz kept vigil by the bedside of their three-year old son, John, who was hospitalized with double pneumonia, though he later recovered. Based on Revelation 22, the text expresses hope in the God whose saving might transcends life and death.

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.

BACH CANTATA CONCERT TODAY | As Thanksgiving approaches, our Bach Cantata concert today 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), together with Handel’s Organ Concerto in F major, Op.4, No.4. Admission is free.

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY TOMORROW | 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 November 22 and December 13 at 6:30 p.m. The focus is currently on the Second Letter of Peter in the New Testament. All questions and perspectives are welcome. For the zoom link and additional information, please contact matthew.r.wright@duke.edu.

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.

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. On Friday, November 26, the Chapel will be open to the public from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The building will otherwise be open during normal daily hours, 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., around the Thanksgiving holiday.

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.
DUKE CHORALE CONCERT NOV. 30 | The Duke Chorale presents its annual Christmas Concert on Tuesday, November 30, at 7:00 p.m. at Duke Chapel. The program will feature seasonal selections by the Chorale as well as traditional carols for the entire audience to sing and stories and special treats for the children. This family holiday event is a longstanding tradition for many area residents. The Duke Chorale, directed by Dr. Rodney Wynkoop, comprises undergraduate and graduate students and is the primary choral group of Duke’s Department of Music. Pre-concert music on the carillon and organ begins at 6:30 p.m. The cost of admission is one non-perishable food item for Durham families in need.

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, which will be available for viewing December 12–26. 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.

ADVENT LESSONS AND CAROLS DEC. 9 | The Chapel’s Vespers Ensemble will lead a service of Advent Lessons and Carols on Thursday, December 9, at 7:00 p.m. There will not be a Choral Vespers service on Thanksgiving Day. Vespers services will resume on Thursday, January 6, at 7:00 p.m. with a special service for Epiphany.

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.

ANGEL TREE—SHARE YOUR CHRISTMAS | Volunteers are needed to help make Christmas bright for thirty-five area residents by purchasing Christmas gifts. Shopping this year can be as simple as a gift card purchase. Most requests can be purchased online and the spending limit is $65-75. Please see gift requests and sign up here or contact congregation@duke.edu. Additional instructions will be provided after signing up. Gifts need to be purchased by December 10.
ENGAGE

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 0–3—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 28, the Rev. Dr. Susan Dunlap, Consulting Faculty, Duke Divinity School will speak on “The Theology of People Who Live Without Homes.”
HYMN FOR NOVEMBER 21, 2021
Response Hymn

O God, Beyond All Praising

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arr. Richard Proulx

st. 1 – all       st. 2 – choir       st. 3 – all

Music: THAXTED, Gustav Holst (1874-1934).
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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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