In this week’s lessons, we hear messages of preaching, repentance, and redemption. In the Old Testament, Jonah has made his way to the city of Nineveh, and upon hearing his warnings, the people of Nineveh believe in God and are moved to repentance, prompting God’s mercy. The culmination of this teaching is found in the Gospel, where after an invitation from Jesus, Peter and Andrew leave everything so they can become his disciples. They no longer cast their nets into the sea, but rather fish for people with the redemptive message of the Messiah.
Gathering
Carillon

Prelude

Prelude in B-flat Major, BWV 866
Johann Sebastian Bach
(1685–1750)

Fugue in B-flat Major, BWV 890

Greeting and Call to Worship

*Gathering Hymn | See hymn printed in back of worship guide.

Open Wide the Doors of Mercy

*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.

   Minister: The peace of Christ be with you.
   People: And also with you.

Proclamation

Prayer for Illumination | In unison:

Shower your grace upon us, O Lord, that our ears may be open to hear the call of our Savior Jesus Christ, and we proclaim to all people the good news of salvation. Amen.

*All rise as able
Old Testament Lesson | OT page 811 in pew Bibles.

Jonah 3:1–5, 10

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

Anthem

O Day Full of Grace

O day full of grace which we behold,
now gently to view ascending,
thou over the earth thy reign unfold,
god cheer to all mortals lending,
that children of light in every clime
may prove that the night is ending.

How blest was that gracious midnight hour,
when God in our flesh was given;
then flushed the dawn with light and power,
that spread o’er the darkened heaven;
then rose o’er the world that sun divine
which gloom from our hearts hath driven.

Yea, were every tree endowed with speech,
and every leaflet singing,
they never with praise God’s worth could reach,
though earth with their praise be ringing.
Who fully could praise the light of life
who light to our souls is bringing?

Praise the Lord!

With joy we depart for the promised land,
and there we shall walk in endless light.

—Nicolai F. S. Grundtvig (1783–1872)
Gospel Lesson | NT page 33 in pew Bibles.

Mark 1:14–20

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

Sermon

When Jesus Calls

Response

*Response Hymn | UMH 398

Jesus Calls Us

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

True Light

This little light of mine, I’m gonna let it shine.
This little light of mine, I’m gonna let it shine.
Almighty God is light, he lives in us as true light.

In the beginning, out of the darkness,
God created true light. He lives in us as true light.
Almighty God is light, he lives in us as true light.
Don’t let the light that you’ve given me die,  
and don’t desert my mind.  
But let the one who serves you praise you again and again.  
He lives in us as true light.

You are the one who judges right from wrong,  
your glory excites no envy.  
Let the one who serves you praise you again and again.  
He lives in us as true light.

Hold on to the true light, I’m gonna let it shine.  
 Everywhere I go, I want the world to know:  
God gave the world true light.

—Keith Hampton

*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!

Thanksgiving and Holy Communion

*The Great Thanksgiving  |  Musical Setting A on page 17 in the hymnal.

*The Lord’s Prayer  |  All are encouraged to pray the Lord’s Prayer in the language of their choosing. The text is found on page 895 at the back of the hymnal.

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. Bread and wine are used for communion. After a server places bread in your hands, you may receive wine by dipping your bread into the chalice. If you desire gluten-free bread or grape juice, or to drink from a common cup, these are available from servers at the front near Memorial Chapel and near the back opposite the attendant’s desk. If you will not receive Communion, you are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest.
Communion Hymn | UMH 557

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

*Post-Communion Prayer

Sending Forth

*Benediction

*Sending Hymn | UMH 568

Christ for the World We Sing

Postlude

Prelude and Fugue in E Minor, BWV 533

Carillon

TODAY IN WORSHIP

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

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

Guest Conductor | Today we welcome Dr. Anton Armstrong, Tosdal Professor of Music at St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minnesota, and the longest-serving conductor of the renowned St. Olaf Choir. Armstrong is founding music director of the Oregon Bach Festival’s Stangeland Family Youth Choral Academy, chair of the board of Chorus America, editor of the Anton Armstrong Multicultural Series of Earthsongs Publications, and co-editor of the St. Olaf Choral Series with Augsburg Fortress Publishers. A graduate of the American Boychoir School, St. Olaf College, the University of Illinois, and Michigan State University, Armstrong has served as guest conductor, lecturer, and clinician from New Zealand to Israel and South America to Scandinavia.


Today’s Flowers | The flowers for the worship service today are given to the glory of God by the Nancy Hanks 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 Sociology.

Restrooms in Divinity School | Public restrooms are available in the Divinity School. To access them, exit the Chapel through the main front doors and enter the Divinity School. Restrooms are along the hallway in the Divinity School.

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.
Short Edition Sermon Snippet Dispenser | A new Short Edition machine, located in the Chapel’s narthex, offers glimpses into the Chapel’s rich preaching archive with sermon excerpts on demand. This simple device unlocks wisdom and insight from sermons spanning decades. Immerse yourself in excerpts from iconic figures such as Martin Luther King Sr., Billy Graham, Barbara Brown Taylor, and Desmond Tutu, as well as the deans of Duke Chapel and lesser-known voices that resonate with equal power.

Get Involved in Worship in the New Year! | Consider a few ways you can become more involved in the worshipping life of the Chapel:

• Join our ushers to welcome congregants arriving to worship.
• Prepare the wine and bread for the Lord’s table on Communion Sundays.
• Serve communion or proclaim Scripture on Sundays outside of school terms.
For more information please contact Angela Flynn at angela.flynn@duke.edu.

Choral Evensong Today | The Chapel’s Choral Evensong service today at 4:00 p.m. will feature repertoire from the rich musical tradition associated with the Vatican, formerly the Papal States. For centuries, the Catholic Church was a primary sponsor of the arts and music, and Rome, as the seat of the papacy, has long been an epicenter of musical and liturgical productivity. The musical selections in this service are from the sixteenth century, at the height of the Italian Renaissance.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity | Next week’s daily services (11:45 a.m.–12:30 p.m.) in Duke Divinity School’s Goodson Chapel will mark the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The schedule includes: a Service of Word and Table on Tuesday, January 23; a Service of Word and Prayer on Wednesday, January 24; and a Service of Word and Dedication on Thursday, January 25. Thursday’s service will include a homily by Bishop Luis Zarama of the Catholic Diocese of Raleigh.

Theology Underground Meeting | Theology Underground is a series of guided conversations for students about how culture, identity, and race impact the way we live out our faith and beliefs. The next meeting is this Tuesday, January 23, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. in the Center for Sexual and Gender Diversity in the Bryan Center. The topic will be “I Talk To God in Church and Outside Too: Howard Thurman and Black Mysticism” with special guests from the Duke Divinity Office of Black Church Studies, Rev. Dr. Dumas Harshaw and Craig Hines.
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Saturday Service Project | The Congregation at Duke Chapel will serve this month at the Clothes Closet of Urban Ministries Durham, sorting clothing donations. We will work on Saturday, January 27, from 9:00 a.m. to 12-noon. To volunteer with the Congregation, please contact congregation@duke.edu.

Organ Recital | Nathaniel Gumbs, director of chapel music at Yale University, will perform at the Chapel on Sunday, January 28, at 5:00 p.m. His organ recital will include music by Buxtehude, Bach, Mendelssohn, and Hailstork, on the Flentrop organ. The Diapason magazine recognized him as one of “20 outstanding organists under the age of 30.” More recently, The New York Times described his playing as “mature, lyrical, accurate, and energetic.” No charge for admission.

Bach Cantata Concert | Johann Sebastian Bach’s church cantatas are often considered the pinnacle of German sacred music, works whose theological depth and emotional resonance touch deep places in the human soul. With a theme of “Music for Candlemas,” the next concert in our Bach Cantata Series will be on Sunday, February 4, at 5:00 p.m. No charge for admission.

Jazz Vespers | In anticipation of Mardi Gras, John Brown, Duke’s vice provost for the arts, and his Little Big Band will lead the music for the Chapel’s Jazz Vespers service on Thursday February 8, at 7:00 p.m. This service will be a New Orleans-inspired celebration of life in the Spirit, featuring spirituals, gospel favorites, and contemporary arrangements. Jazz Vespers services combine the ancient Christian tradition of evening vespers with the musical idioms of jazz.

Ash Wednesday Services | The Chapel will hold two services at 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on Ash Wednesday, February 14, with the imposition of ashes. The guest preacher at the services will be Casey Stanton, who has spent over a decade working in the field of social concerns ministries within parish life and as part of broader, faith-based coalitions. A graduate of Duke Divinity School, she is co-director of Discerning Deacons, a nonprofit organization committed to active discernment of the Catholic Church about women and ordination to the diaconate.
Durham Pilgrimage of Pain and Hope | Students, Duke community members, and others are invited to discover how their spiritual journeys are connected to our city of Durham through the Durham Pilgrimage of Pain and Hope on the weekend of February 23–25. The pilgrimage is an opportunity to immerse yourself in the story of the city and the biblical story as you reflect with others on what they mean for how you live your life in Durham. It is led by DurhamCares, a nonprofit with a mission to foster collaboration, develop leaders, and educate the people of Durham to care for their neighbors in holistic ways. The deadline to register is January 29. To learn more and register, contact the Chapel’s assistant dean, the Rev. Bruce Puckett at bruce.puckett@duke.edu.

National Lutheran Choir | Tickets are now on sale for the National Lutheran Choir’s performance at the Chapel on Sunday, March 3, at 3:00 p.m. From music of the Lutheran choral tradition, to the first wave of American immigrants to express that tradition in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries, to today’s brilliant interpreters of an expansive sacred choral tradition, this concert evokes a world enriched by shared tradition. Purchase tickets 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. Please contact congregation@duke.edu 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 through 5th grade in 0054 Langford
Godly Play Advanced: Spiritual formation for children in 2nd–5th grades in 0050 Langford
Youth Program: Youth will explore the Gospel of Mark in 0015 Westbrook
Adult Bible Study: Adults will discuss First and Second Peter in 0013 Westbrook and over Zoom
1. Open wide the doors of mercy, open wide the doors of grace, open windows of forgiveness, letting love flow through this place. Fill our hearts with deep compassion you hold dear. Though we fail to recognize Christ himself has cried. There are ones who wander, live more lovingly. Open wide the doors of passion as we gather here today. Turn our words and prayers to action, giving substance to our faith.

2. Keep us mindful that your children live in lands both far and near; many faces, many customs, every grace denied; may we hear their cry for mercy as though Christ would see. Draw this family circle wider as we hope-less, through a landscape of despair; may our hands reach out with kindness and a touch to show we care. Of compassion, far beyond this time and place.

3. There are ones who weep for justice in a world of doors of grace, far and near; may we hear their cry for mercy as though Christ would see. Draw this family circle wider as we

4. Make our scope of vision broader, through a lens as doors of grace, open windows of forgiveness, letting love flow through this place. Fill our hearts with deep compassion you hold dear. Though we fail to recognize Christ himself has cried. There are ones who wander, live more lovingly. Open wide the doors of passion as we gather here today. Turn our words and prayers to action, giving substance to our faith.

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