This week, the scripture lessons have a theme of love. In the Old Testament reading, we learn of the never-ending quality of God’s love and goodness. The psalmist echoes this message, as the song extols God’s steadfastness in our times of need. In the epistle, Paul teaches that because of the love Christ had for us, we must in turn treat one another with love, living in justice and fairness. The gospel writer shares stories of two miracles that reveal Jesus’s love. Christ demonstrates his love as he raises from the dead the beloved daughter of a local official. His love is also on display in his response to a woman who touches him in order to be healed. In seeing this woman’s faith, Jesus blesses her and sends her on her way in peace.
Gathering
Carillon

Prelude

Prelude and Fugue in D Minor, Op. 37.3
Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy (1809–1847)

Greeting and Call to Worship

*Gathering Hymn | UMH 340

Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

*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:

O God, who through adoption chose us to be your children, grant that we might hear your word and be freed to stand in the bright light of your love and truth. Through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.
Old Testament Lesson | OT pages 720–721 in pew Bibles.

Lamentations 3:22–33

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

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

Psalm 30

Marty Haugen

I will exalt you, O Lord, because you have lifted me up and have not let my enemies triumph over me.
O Lord my God, I cried out to you, and you restored me to health.
You brought me up, O Lord, from the dead; you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.
Sing praise to the Lord, all you faithful; give thanks in holy remembrance. Refrain

God’s wrath is short; God’s favor lasts a lifetime.
Weeping spends the night, but joy comes in the morning.
While I felt secure, I said, “I shall never be disturbed.
You, Lord, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains.”
Then you hid your face, and I was filled with fear.
I cried to you, O Lord; I pleaded with my Lord, saying, “What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the pit?
Will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?
Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me;
O Lord, be my helper.” Refrain
You have turned my wailing into dancing; you have put off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy. Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; O Lord my God, I will give you thanks forever. *Refrain*

New Testament Lesson | NT pages 172 in pew Bibles.

2 Corinthians 8:7–15

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

*Gospel Lesson | NT pages 37–38 in pew Bibles.

Mark 5:21–43

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

Sermon

Excelling in Grace

Response

*Response Hymn | UMH 372

How Can We Sinners Know

*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.

Offertory Anthem

Pie Jesu                     Lili Boulanger (1893–1918)

Pie Jesu, Domine, dona eis requiem.
Pie Jesu, Domine, dona eis requiem sempiternam.
Amen.

Blessed Jesus, Lord, give them rest.
Blessed Jesus, Lord, give them eternal rest.
Amen.

—Latin Requiem Mass

*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

*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

*Benediction

*Sending Hymn | UMH 117

   O God, Our Help in Ages Past  
   ST. ANNE

Postlude

   Sonata No. 6 in D Minor, Op. 65.6  
   F. Mendelssohn-Bartholdy
   II. Fugue

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
Racquel Gill .................. Minister for Intercultural Engagement, Duke University Chapel

Preacher
Luke A. Powery .................. Dean, Duke University Chapel

Lectors
Riley Hamp ................................................................. Trinity ’25
Ken Davenport ................................................ Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel

Musicians
Jane Lynch ............................................................... Guest Organist
Monica Szabo-Nyeste ................................... Soloist

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

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


Today’s Flowers | The flowers for the worship service today are given to the glory of God by the Nancy Hanks Chapel Endowment.
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 Gender, Sexuality, and Feminist Studies.

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.

Chapel Flowers | If you would like to honor a loved one and the worshiping community of the Duke Chapel with a gift of flowers to decorate the chancel for Sunday worship, please contact Angela Flynn, coordinator of worship and ministry, at angela.flynn@duke.edu.

Part-time Job Openings at the Chapel | The Chapel is seeking new Visitor Relations team members to serve as ambassadors to our walk-in visitors and assist members of the music and ministry staff in presenting concerts, services, and events. This team is the first point of contact for our visitors and responsible for opening and closing the sanctuary seven days a week. All positions are part time. Apply on the Duke Careers website.

Carolina Summer Choral Residency | The Chapel will host the Royal School of Church Music in America’s Carolina Summer Choral Residency from July 8 through 14. Led by highly regarded choirmasters, organists, and ministers, this group of choristers and adults will sing in the Chapel’s Sunday morning service at 11:00 a.m. on July 14 and also in a special Choral Evensong service the same day at 4:00 p.m.

Guest Preacher July 14 | The guest preacher for the Sunday morning service on July 14 will be the Rev. Dr. Cathy Gilliard, senior pastor at Park Avenue United Methodist Church in New York City. A graduate of Duke Divinity School, Rev. Dr. Gilliard serves on the Duke Chapel National Advisory Board. She is also a pastor-in-residence at Princeton Theological Seminary’s Iron Sharpening Iron Executive Leadership Program for Women.
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 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 4–1st grade in 0054 Langford

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

**Youth Program**: 6th–12th graders will explore the Gospel of Mark in 0015 Westbrook

**Adult Class**: The Sunday morning Adult Summer Study is “Faith on the Threshold: Liminality in the Bible.” This study will explore Biblical stories to discover how persons learned to follow God and navigate times of transition. It will meet 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 dukechapel@duke.edu.

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 chapel.duke.edu/connect.

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