Please Note:

Photography by guests is permitted from your seats but only during the Opening and Closing Processions, and the Rite of Investiture (hooding ceremony). A photograph of each graduate will be taken by a professional photographer during the Rite of Investiture and will be available later to purchase online.

Please remember to silence all cell phones and paging devices.

Hearing assistance devices are available at the attendant's desk at the entry of Duke Chapel.

Out of respect for all graduating students, we ask that you hold your applause and joyful congratulations until every graduate has been hooded. We will share a time of community celebration at the end of the Rite of Investiture.

You are invited to a reception honoring the graduates and their families in the Divinity Café and Bovender Terrace of the Westbrook Building immediately after the service.

Duke University Divinity School was established in 1926 as the first professional school to open its doors after the expansion of Trinity College into Duke University in 1924. The roots of the Divinity School, however, extend to the founding of Duke's predecessor institution in 1838, because of its strong commitment to education for the church's ministry and its relationship to the Methodist Church. The Divinity School is one of 13 graduate professional schools of theology of the United Methodist Church and is supported generously by the church's Ministerial Education Fund. There are now more than 6,500 graduates of the Divinity School in all avenues of Christian ministry around the world.
Prelude
Rhapsody in D-flat major, Op. 17  Herbert Howells
(1892–1983)

Fanfare  John Cook
(1918–1984)

Rhosymedre  Ralph Vaughan Williams
(1872–1958)

Prelude and Fugue in B major, Op. 7, No. 1 Marcel Dupré
(1886–1971)

*Opening Procession
The Church's One Foundation  aurelia
words: Samuel J. Stone (1866)
music: Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1864)

The congregation rises as the procession reaches the door of the chapel and remains standing through the Call to Worship. An organ interlude will be played before the singing of the last stanza.

The church’s one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord;
She is his new creation by water and the Word.
From heaven he came and sought her to be his holy bride;
With his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth;
Her charter of salvation, one Lord, one faith, one birth;
One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.

Though with a scornful wonder we see her sore oppressed,
By schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed,
Yet saints their watch are keeping; their cry goes up, “How long?”
And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.

Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation of peace forevermore;
Till, with the vision glorious, her longing eyes are blest,
And the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won.
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we
Like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.
*Call to Worship (Psalm 100)
Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.
People: Worship the Lord with gladness; come into his presence with singing.
Leader: Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
People: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise. Give thanks to him, bless his name.
Leader: For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations. Amen.

*Opening Prayer
Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Leader: Let us pray.
Almighty and everlasting God, in whom we live and move and have our being. You created us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they find rest in you. Grant to us such piety of heart and strength of purpose that no selfish passion may hinder us from knowing your will, and no weakness from doing it. In your light may we see life clearly, and in your service find perfect freedom; through Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Welcome and Announcements

PRoCLAMATION

Prayer for Illumination (in unison)
Guide us, O Lord, by your Word and Holy Spirit, that in your light we may see life, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Old Testament Lesson  Psalm 23
*Gospel Lesson  John 6:1–14
Sermon  “The Ministry of the Fragment”

*Hymn of Response  Be Thou My Vision  SLANE
words: Ancient Irish, trans. by Mary E. Byrne (1905) versed by Eleanor H. Hull (1912), alt. music: Trad. Irish melody

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; Naught be all else to me, save that thou art. Thou my best thought, by day or by night, Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; Thou and thou only, first in my heart, great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.
Great God of heaven, my victory won,
May I reach heaven’s joys, O bright heaven’s Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

**Prayers of Intercession**

Leader: In response to God’s grace, and trusting in God’s mercy, let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who have been baptized into Christ and empowered by your Spirit may faithfully serve you and reveal your glory in the world.

Lord, in your mercy,

**People: Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Be present with all ministers of the Church, that by your grace, they may faithfully proclaim the gospel of the crucified and risen Christ, and live before the Church and the world a life that is befitting their high calling.

Lord, in your mercy,

**People: Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Guide the world’s leaders, that they may work for goodwill among nations and the well-being of all people.

Lord, in your mercy,

**People: Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Make your presence known to all those who are in need or trouble: the poor, the sick, the hungry, the lonely, the dying, the abused, the oppressed, and the imprisoned. Help us to be ever aware of these persons in our midst and enable us to be instruments of your reconciliation and love.

Lord, in your mercy,

**People: Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Inspire those who seek you or desire a deeper knowledge of you, that by your grace, they may find you and be found by you.

Lord, in your mercy,

**People: Hear our prayer.**

Leader: We praise you for those in every generation who have honored Christ and nurtured others in the Christian life. By your grace, enable each of us to glorify and lift up Christ with diligence and faithfulness, to the end that you may draw all people to yourself.

Lord, in your mercy,

**People: Hear our prayer.**

Leader: Gracious and merciful God, grant these and all our prayers for the sake of the one who lived and died and even rose victoriously over the grave, Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior, who taught us to pray:

**The Lord’s Prayer (in unison)**
The Rite of Investiture

*Investiture Community Celebration

Prayers of Response

Faculty and Staff: Almighty and loving God, we give thanks for the opportunity to share in the lives of these graduates, and for the unique gifts they have brought to us and now go to share with the world. May they go forth from this place assured of your presence, which provides them with wisdom, strength, and peace for the journey that lies ahead. Amen.

Graduating Students: O God, we came to this place as students, making a covenant with you and with one another. We sought to live as a Christian community and to nurture our lives in the Christian faith. We are grateful for the involvement of our minds and spirits in this community of discipline and love. We have encountered conflict and growth, struggle and fulfillment, and your love has sustained us. Now, we ask, prepare us to go into the world as others have gone before us, to be faithful as your people, effective in your service, and always committed to the mission of your Church in the world. Amen.

Family and Friends: With these graduates, Lord, we celebrate this time of conclusion and new beginnings, and praise you for the many ways you have been active in their lives. Grant us grace to provide the love and support they will need as they commit anew their lives to your service. Amen.

All: Use us, O God, for the good of one another, for the good of your creation, for the good of your Church, and for your glory. Make us instruments of your love that in our daily living we may continually proclaim your amazing grace revealed to us in our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

SENDING FORTH

*Blessing and Dismissal

*Closing Procession

For the Healing of the Nations

words: Fred Kaan (1965)
music: John Hughes (1907)

For the healing of the nations, Lord, we pray with one accord;
For a just and equal sharing of the things that earth affords;
To a life of love in action help us rise and pledge our word,
Help us rise and pledge our word.

Lead us forward into freedom; from despair your world release,
That, redeemed from war and hatred, all may come and go in peace.
Show us how through care and goodness fear will die and hope increase,
Fear will die and hope increase.

All that kills abundant living, let it from the earth be banned;
Pride of status, race, or schooling, dogmas that obscure your plan.
In our common quest for justice may we hallow life's brief span,
May we hallow life's brief span.

You, Creator God, have written your great name on humankind;
For our growing in your likeness bring the life of Christ to mind,
That by our response and service earth its destiny may find,
Earth its destiny may find.

Postlude

Marche Héroïque

Herbert Brewer (1865–1928)

* Please stand as you are able.
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