

The Ninety-Sixth
Opening Convocation

DUKE
DIVINITY
SCHOOL



11:45 a.m.
Tuesday, September 6, 2022
Duke University Chapel
Durham, North Carolina

Order of Worship

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Concerto in B-Flat

George Frideric Handel
(1685–1759)

Rubrics “the peace may be exchanged”

Dan Locklair
(b. 1949)

GREETING AND WELCOME

*OPENING HYMN 545

The Church’s One Foundation

AURELIA

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.

TIME OF RECOGNITION AND DEDICATION

Blessing of New Staff

PROCLAMATION

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (*in unison*)

Everlasting God, whose tenacious love holds us:
as we hear your Word proclaimed in our midst today
make our hearts the house of your truth,

and make our minds the realm of your wisdom
so that our fellowship will become your dwelling place,
and we may testify to your grace in this world you so love,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON—Isaiah 61:1–6

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON—Acts 2:41–47 (*read in Spanish*)

So those who welcomed Paul's message of repentance were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added. They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

COMMUNION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND WORDS OF ASSURANCE

***THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

(Musical Setting A, on page 17 in the hymnal)

***THE LORD'S PRAYER**

THE GIVING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

At the direction of the ushers, please come forward in continuously moving lines. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request at the stations along the center aisle.

MUSIC DURING DISTRIBUTION:

Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me

arr. K. Lee Scott

Gracious Spirit, dwell with me, I would gracious be;
help me now thy grace to see, I would be like thee;
and, with words that help and heal, thy life would mine reveal;
and, with actions bold and meek, for Christ, my Savior, speak.

Truthful Spirit, dwell with me, I would truthful be;
help me now thy truth to see, I would be like thee;
and, with wisdom kind and clear, thy life in mine appear;
and, with actions brotherly, speak Christ's sincerity.

Holy Spirit, dwell with me, I would holy be;
show thy mercy tenderly, make me more like thee;
separate from sin, I would and cherish all things good,
and whatever I can be give him who gave me thee.

Mighty Spirit, dwell with me, I would mighty be;
help me now thy power to see, I would be like thee;
against all weapons hell can wield, be thou my strength and shield;
let thy word my weapon be, Lord, thine the victory.

Gracious Spirit, dwell with me, I would be like thee.

Text: Thomas T. Lynch (1818–1871), alt.; and K. Lee Scott (st. 4)

COMMUNION HYMN 521

I Want Jesus to Walk with Me

SOJOURNER

I want Jesus to walk with me. (walk with me)

I want Jesus to walk with me. (walk with me)

All along my pilgrim journey,

Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me. (walk with me)

In my trials, Lord, walk with me. (walk with me)

In my trials, Lord, walk with me. (walk with me)

When my heart is almost breaking,

Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me. (walk with me)

When I'm troubled, Lord, walk with me. (walk with me)

When I'm troubled, Lord, walk with me. (walk with me)

When my head is bowed in sorrow,

Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me. (walk with me)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING FORTH

*BENEDICTION

*CLOSING HYMN

God of Tempest, God of Whirlwind

CWM RHONDDA

God of tempest, God of whirlwind, as on Pentecost descend!

Drive us out from sheltered comfort; past these walls your people send!

Sweep us into costly service, there with Christ to bear the cross,
there with Christ to bear the cross!

God of blazing, God of burning, all that blocks your purpose, purge!

Through your church, Christ's living Body, let your flaming Spirit surge!

Where deceit conceals injustice, kindle us to speak your truth,
kindle us to speak your truth!

God of earthquake, God of thunder, shake us loose from lethargy!
Break the chains of sin asunder, for earth's healing set us free!
Crumble walls that still divide us; make us one in Christ our Lord,
make us one in Christ our Lord!

God of passion, God unsleeping, stir in us love's restlessness!
Where the people cry in anguish, may we share your heart's distress.
Rouse us from content with evil; claim us for your kingdom's work,
claim us for your kingdom's work!

POSTLUDE

Grand Choeur

William Faulkes
(1863–1933)

MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Preacher Edgardo Colón-Emeric
*Dean; Irene and William McCutchen Associate Professor of Reconciliation and Theology;
Director of the Center for Reconciliation*

Presiding Ministers Luke Powery
*Dean of Duke Chapel;
Associate Professor of Homiletics*
David Emmanuel Goatley
*Associate Dean for Academic and Vocational Formation; Ruth W. and A. Morris Williams Jr.
Research Professor of Theology and Christian Ministry; Director of Office of Black Church Studies*

Meghan F. Benson
Chaplain of the Divinity School

Lectors Stephanie Cassell
Divinity '23
James Riofrio
Divinity '24

Choir Director Zebulon M. Highben
*Associate Professor of the Practice of Church Music;
Director of Chapel Music at Duke University Chapel*

Organist Robert Brewer
Guest Organist

Faculty Marshal Curtis Freeman
*Research Professor of Theology and Baptist Studies;
Director, Baptist House of Studies*

New Endowments

The David W. and Diane S. Adkins Scholarship Fund was established in 2022 by Diane Sautter Adkins, of Stephens City, Virginia; Katie Adkins Brennan, Trinity College Class of 2006; and Kristin Adkins Whitesides, Divinity School Class of 2005, of Stephens City, Virginia, in loving memory of David W. Adkins, with gratitude for his life and his service to the church, as well as for the family's gratitude for the education they received from Duke University and Duke Divinity School. The endowment is to encourage and support excellence in the next generation of leaders in the church of Jesus Christ. Fund distributions will be used to provide scholarships to graduate professional students enrolled in the Divinity School at Duke University.

The Barnes, Ellis & Pender Scholarship Fund was established in 2021 by William Pal & Gertrude Wilson Barnes, Fred Douglas Ellis & Dorothy Lee Pender Educational Foundation. This endowment is created to honor the adoptive and biological parents of the Rev. Harry Maurice Barnes in recognition of his profound gratitude for the sacrifices they made to ensure that he got the best education possible. Fund distributions will be used to provide scholarships to graduate professional students enrolled in the Divinity School at Duke University.

The Center for Reconciliation Fund was established in 2022 by Irene Lilly, Women's College Class of 1962, and William Walter McCutchen Jr., School of Engineering 1962, of Westport, Connecticut. Distributions from the fund will be used to provide unrestricted support of the Center for Reconciliation at Duke Divinity School at Duke University.

The Susan Colwell Link Scholarship Fund was established in 2022 by the Rev. Mary Anne Link Shivers, Divinity School Class of 1999, and Mr. David Oyler Shivers, of Chapel Hill, North Carolina. The endowment is established in memory of Susan (Sue) Colwell Link, a devoted follower of Jesus Christ. As a faithful member of the United Methodist Church Sue supported women in ministry—especially her daughter, the Rev. Mary Anne “Molly” Link Shivers, an ordained elder in the North Carolina Annual Conference. Fund income will be used to provide scholarships to graduate professional students enrolled in the Divinity School at Duke University, with a preference for students pursuing ordination in a Wesleyan theological tradition and/or students who, by reason of their background, culture, socioeconomic status, race, ethnicity, gender, work, and life experiences, contribute to a fuller representation of perspectives within the academic life of the university.

The McDonald Agape Foundation Theology and the Arts Fund was established in 2021 by the McDonald Agape Foundation of Birmingham, Michigan. This fund is established to assure and maintain Duke Divinity School as a premier place for the study of Christian theology at the intersection of

Christian Theology and the Arts and to assist the director of Duke Initiatives of theology and the arts (DITA) to serve as a distinguished teacher and authentic mentor to those students planning careers in Christian ministries and related nonprofits. Distributions from the fund will be used to provide funding for arts-in-action and research at the vibrant interplay between Christian theology and the arts, drawing into its discussions and activities scholars that meet the high standards of scholarship and conduct that are expected of members of Duke Divinity School. Distributions from the fund will also be used to provide support for one or more post-doctoral fellowships in theology and the arts (McDonald Agape Fellows).

A Scholarship Endowment was established in 2022 by an anonymous Duke alumni couple—one a graduate of Duke University School of Nursing and one of Trinity College of Arts & Sciences. Fund income will be used to provide scholarships to graduate professional students enrolled in the Divinity School at Duke University.

A Venture Fund was established in 2022 by an anonymous Duke alumni couple—one a graduate of Duke University School of Nursing and one of Trinity College of Arts & Sciences. Fund income will be used to develop new courses, programs, and/or instruction delivery strategies at Duke Divinity School.

Major Program Resources

The Divinity Annual Fund received record contributions of \$1,172,293 from Duke Divinity School graduates and friends from across the nation and around the world, with the contributions helping significantly with student financial aid.

The Duke Endowment in Charlotte, North Carolina, provided grants to underwrite Divinity School programs for field education, continuing education, course of study, Thriving Rural Communities, faculty projects, the Hispanic House of Studies, the Center for Reconciliation, Clergy Health, To Heal the Wounded Soul, Pursuit of Purpose and Vocation, and Renewing Duke Divinity School as a Keystone Institution.

Lilly Endowment in Indianapolis, Indiana, provided generous support for Leadership Education at Duke Divinity and Pathways for Tomorrow.

The Ministerial Education Fund of the United Methodist Church provided essential support for student financial aid, faculty support, and other core mission programs of the Divinity School.

