

BRIDGING FAITH & LEARNING

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Seventh Sunday After Pentecost Sunday, July 28, 2019, 11:00 a.m.



The Sermon on the Mount Jan Luyken, 1649-1712

The story of God's judgment of all people runs through the Old and New Testaments, and the scripture lessons today remind us of this story. In the Old Testament lesson, Ezekiel prophesies about the day of the Lord when the nations that have surrounded Israel and acted against the Lord will be punished for their wicked ways. In the New Testament lesson, Paul writes to the church of the Thessalonians about the judgment that will come at Christ's second coming. He warns the people about the necessity of knowing God and obeying the gospel of the Lord. In the Gospel reading from Matthew, Jesus calls those who follow after him to righteousness, saying that any who keep God's commandments will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. Gathering

Organ Prelude

Japan Variations I-IV

Dick Koomans (b. 1957)

Greeting and Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn 108

God Hath Spoken by the Prophets

EBENEZER

*Prayers of Confession and Words of Assurance | In unison. Based upon scripture in Ezekiel 22:23ff.

Holy Lord, we have all sinned and none among us are pure. Our land and our people are not clean. We confess that:

As political people, we devour human life and seek material treasure. As religious people, we profane what is holy and worship what is not. As leaders, we are prone to dishonest gain.

As individuals, we are part of the oppression of the poor and needy. As the people of God, we have failed to speak your truth.

Forgive us for the many ways we have failed to live according to your will. Cleanse and restore us, that we may know your covenantal mercy once again. In our Savior's name we pray. Amen.

The minister speaks words of assurance.

*Peace | All exchange signs and words of God's peace.

Proclamation

Prayer for Illumination | In unison:

Generous God, you give us gifts and make them grow: though our faith is small as a mustard seed, make it grow to your glory as we come to know your word, and help us to live for the flourishing of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson | OT page 751 in the pew Bible

Ezekiel 30:1-12

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

Gradual Music

If with all your heart (from "Elijah")

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

If with all your heart ye truly seek Me, Ye shall ever surely find Me, Thus saith our God. Oh, that I knew where I might find Him, That I might even come before His presence.

New Testament Lesson | NT pages 194 in the pew Bible

2 Thessalonians 1:5-19

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

*Gospel Lesson | NT page 4 in the pew Bible

Matthew 5:17-20

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

Sermon

That Ain't God

Response

*Response Hymn 399

Take My Life, and Let It Be

MESSIAH

*Affirmation of Faith | Based on scriptures from Ezekiel chapters 16, 18, 21, 37, and 43.

We believe God has established an everlasting covenant with the people of Israel, and through Jesus we have been included in this covenant that we too may know the Lord. We believe God justly judges human sin, yet God takes no pleasure in the death of anyone and offers us a new heart and a new spirit. We believe God's holiness is made known among the nations to draw us back continually into covenantal relationship. And we believe the Lord brings life out of the dry bones of death and will reside with God's people forever. Amen.

Call to Prayer

| Minister: | The Lord be with you. |
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| People: | And also with you. |
| Minister: | Let us pray. |

Prayers of the People | The congregation responds to each petition:

People: Hear our prayer.

Offertory Music

Panis Angelicus

Panis angelicus Fit panis hominum; Dat panis coelicus Figuris terminum: O res mirabilis! Manducat Dominum Pauper, servus et humilis.

Te trina Deitas, Unaque poscimus, Sic nos tu visita, Sicut te colimus; Per tuas semitas Duc nos quo tendimus, Ad lucem quam inhabitas. César Franck (1822-1890)

The bread of the angels becomes the bread of man; the bread of heaven is given a bounded form. O wondrous thing! The poor, the slave and the humble man feed on their Lord.

Of you, threefold and one God, we ask: Come to visit us as we worship you; lead us on your paths to where we want to go: to the light in which you dwell.

Text: St. Thomas Aquinas

*Doxology

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

DEUS TUORUM MILITUM

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.

Sending Forth

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*The Lord's Prayer | All are encouraged to pray the Lord's Prayer in the language of their choosing. The English version is number 895 in the hymnal.

*Benediction

*Closing Hymn 582

Whom Shall I Send?

Organ Postlude

Japan Variations V and VI

Koomans

Memorial Chapel Communion | Immediately following today's worship service, a brief communion service will be held in Memorial Chapel. Following communion, the pastor will be available to anoint and pray.

TODAY IN WORSHIP

PRESIDING MINISTERS

| The Rev. Dr. Carol GreggPastor to the Congregation at Duke Chapel |
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| PREACHER |
| The Rev. Floyd Thompkins Guest Preacher |
| LECTORS |
| The Rev. Dr. Christian Wilson Trinity, '67, Divinity '72, Graduate '77 |
| Ms. Tamela Davis |
| MUSICIANS |
| Dr. Daniel ShirleyGuest Soloist |
| Ms. Jane Lynch Guest Organist |
| MEMORIAL CHAPEL COMMUNION |
| The Rev. Amanda Highben Minister in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America |
| HEAD USHERS |
| Dr. James Ferguson and Mr. Rick Wilfong |
| Congregation at Duke Chapel |
| TODAY'S FLOWERS Today's flowers are made possible by the generosity of |

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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 human service organizations in the greater Durham area.

GUEST PREACHER | This weekend's Boyles guest preacher is the Rev. Floyd Thompkins. He is passionate about facilitating sensitive real world issues and implementing meaningful, relevant community initiatives to make a positive difference. Rev. Thompkins has been vice president for online education and innovation at San Francisco Theological Seminary and director of the Applied Wisdom Institute. As associate dean of Memorial Church at Stanford University, Rev. Thompkins founded Black Church, the largest multi-cultural religious gathering on the Stanford campus. In Georgia, he was executive director of the Bower Fund and with Youth Empowerment Today, organizations dedicated to mentoring at-risk youth through middle school, high school, and into college. His awards include the Presidential Award for Community Service from President Bill Clinton, The Benjamin E. Mays Fellowship from the Rockefeller Foundation, and the Edward G. Howel Preaching Award from Princeton Theological Seminary. ACCESSIBILITY | Large print hymnals and bulletins are available at the visitor relations desk. Hearing assistance units are available at the AV console in the rear of the Chapel.

FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN | Children age four and younger are welcome to visit the nursery (capacity limited), located in the Chapel's lower level, beginning at 10:45 a.m. each week.

ENGAGE

WELCOME TO DUKE CHAPEL | If you have questions about the ministries of Duke Chapel or the Congregation at Duke Chapel, please stop by the Welcome Desk in the narthex. Those staffing the table will be happy to answer your questions. **CHAPEL TOUR** | For a tour of Duke Chapel, meet today's docent near the front steps of the Chapel following the service.

LOCOPOPS IN THE LOUNGE TO WELCOME DR. ZEBULON HIGHBEN | Join the Chapel community in welcoming Dr. Zebulon Highben as the new Director of Chapel Music next Sunday, August 4, immediately after the Sunday service. Come to the lower level of the Chapel to share Locopops and meet Dr. Highben and his family.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL | Plan to stay after worship on Sunday, August 11, to enjoy an ice cream social in the Chapel Lounge. The lounge is located in the lower level of the Chapel. All are invited to attend.

SERVICE PROJECT | Volunteers are needed on Saturday, August 10, from 9:00 a.m. to 12-noon at the Durham Nativity School to assist them in preparing for the upcoming school year. Durham Nativity School, located at 1004 N. Mangum St., Durham, is an independent, privately funded middle school in central Durham with the mission of providing local boys from financially challenged families with a tuition-free education focused on nurturing "the whole child to reach his potential through knowledge, moral values, learning skills, discipline, and character development." DNS is unique in following the boys for eleven years, all the way through their college graduation. For more information, please contact the Congregation office at congregation@duke.edu or 919-684-3917.

BACK PEW COLLECTION | On August 11 and August 18, the Congregation will collect school supplies for Crayons2Calculators, an organization dedicated to providing supplies for Durham Public School students. Items currently needed include Post-It Notes, tape (rolls), pencils, pencil boxes, erasers, markers, scissors, tissue boxes, and construction paper. Note that they do NOT currently need crayons, glue sticks, spiral notebooks, composition books, and filler paper, as they have ample current supplies of these items. Donations may be placed in the back pew on these Sundays.

SECOND WEDNESDAY LUNCH | Informal conversation and fellowship in a local restaurant is the only agenda for the Second Wednesday Lunch. On August 14 at 12-noon, participants will gather at El Chapin Guatemalan Grill, 4600 Durham-Chapel Hill Blvd, Durham. Each person will purchase their own meal. Please email the Congregation Office or call 919-684-3917 by Monday, August 12, if you plan to attend.

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SHELTER DINNER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED | Volunteers are needed for monthly lasagna dinners at the Urban Ministries Shelter, located at 410 Liberty Street, Durham. Volunteers cook two party-size lasagnas and help serve, or just provide the cooked lasagnas. Please contact Cricket Scovil (scovilj@aol.com) to volunteer on Wednesday, August 28, from 6:15 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and/or Sunday, September 8, from 5:15 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Detailed instructions will be provided.

SUMMER SCRIPTURE LESSONS | Throughout the summer, we are reading the book of Ezekiel as our primary scripture lessons in our Sunday services, and we invite you to read Ezekiel with us outside of our Sunday services. Reading through the book together will allow our community to learn from scripture passages that we do not regularly encounter through the lectionary in our worship services and will enable us to receive a broader range of the scriptural canon; this approach is called *lectio continua*. We hope you will join us through the summer as we read, study, and learn from the book of Ezekiel. The reading for August 4 is 33:1-37:28 and August 11 is 38:1-39:24.

TRIP TO HAITI A trip to Haiti is planned for September 30 to October 4 to learn about the work of Family Health Ministries. Both Duke Chapel and the Congregation have long supported Family Health Ministries which supports women's health. For more information contact Bruce Puckett at bruce.puckett@ duke.edu or Carol Gregg at carol.gregg@duke.edu.

FALL RETREAT | Please save the date of Saturday morning, October 19, for a retreat on "Finding Our Way in Beloved Community" led by Jonathan Wilson-Hartgrove. Participants will explore communal practices of discernment for the common good. Questions addressed will include: How do we learn to hear the voice of God in community? Where do our individual desires and commitments intersect with others' in the process of discernment? Through a combination of scripture study, song, and conversation, participants will discover a way into beloved community.

CONGREGATION MEMEBERSHIP | New member classes for those considering joining the Congregation at Duke Chapel are offered each fall and spring. For information about membership in the Congregation, please contact Carol Gregg at carol.gregg@duke.edu.

ONLINE INVITATION TO ENGAGE | This is the time of year when new students, staff, and faculty begin checking out campus life, both in person and online: when people decide how they will invest their time, attention, and energy in the coming academic year. This is a good time to invite friends and colleagues into the life of the Chapel. For those interested in participating, there is a simple online form they can fill out and a Chapel minister or musician will respond to

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them promptly. You are invited to share this online invitation at chapel.duke. edu/engage.

VOLUNTEER WITH THE CONGREGATION | The Congregation welcomes those who wish to engage in ministries of education, mission and outreach, fellowship, and congregational care. If you would like a way to serve, please contact Carol Gregg at carol.gregg@duke.edu or 919-684-3917.

NEW VISITOR RELATIONS STAFF MEMBERS | The Chapel welcomes three new staff members, who will in turn welcome many visitors to the Chapel. Caroline Horton, Shawn Proffitt, and Alexandria Da Ponte have all begun working as visitor relations assistants. Caroline comes to the Chapel from Passion City Church in Atlanta. Shawn works as a chaplain at Central Regional Hospital in Butner and is a member of the Congregation at Duke Chapel. Alexandria is a recent graduate of Duke Divinity School with a focus on prison ministry. In their role at the Chapel, they greet people at the visitor desk and provide information.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES | Classes for all ages will meet throughout the summer at 9:45 a.m. in the lowest level of the Westbrook building, Duke Divinity School. Refreshments and fellowship begin at 9:30 a.m. Sunday classes are:

Wee Praise: For children ages 0-3 with parents or caregivers in 0011 WB Godly Play: For ages 4 through 5th graders in 0050 Langford Ezekiel Bible Study: For adults and youth in 0013 Westbrook. On August 4, the focus will be on Ezekiel 33 with Dr. Dan and Ms. Regina Ford teaching.

For a complete listing of events, please visit chapel.duke.edu/events or sign up to receive weekly emails at chapel.duke.edu/email



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The Congregation is the interdenominational church home for university students and community members who consider the Chapel to be their primary place of worship. Through ministries of mission, education, and fellowship, members of the Congregation strive to deepen connections with God and neighbor. Please email **congregation@duke.edu** to receive the weekly eNews.