Judgment is a term we rarely associate with freedom. Yet Deborah’s wise judgment and guidance of the unfaithful Israelites ultimately enabled them to be freed from their oppressors. In Matthew’s parable of the talents, the master has harsh judgment for the slave who horded his coin rather than risk investment and growth. Sometimes judgment calls us to honest reflection and frees us to be a people who take risks for the growth and flourishing of the kingdom. The readings between All Saints Sunday and the season of Advent turn our attention to God’s final judgment, and cause us to reflect on the crucial judgments that make up our own lives in light of God’s judgment. This morning we also commission our 39 new PathWays Chapel scholars.
The congregation is asked to remain silent
during the prelude as a time of prayer and meditation.

GATHERING

PRELUDE
Le Jardin suspendu Jehovah Alain
(1911-1940)

INTROIT
Salvation Is Created Pavel Tchesnokoff
(1877-1944)

Salvation is created in the midst of the earth, O God. Alleluia.
—Kievan Synodal Chant; Psalm 74:1

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 100
God, Whose Love Is Reigning o’er Us LAUDA ANIMA

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND WORDS OF ASSURANCE (in unison)
The minister offers words of confession in three biddings, to which the
congregation responds as follows:

Lord have mercy.
Lord have mercy.

Christ have mercy.
Christ have mercy.

Lord have mercy.
Lord have mercy.

The minister speaks words of assurance.

*PEACE
(All exchange signs and words of God’s peace.)

PROCLAMATION

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (in unison)
Heavenly Lord, you long for the world’s salvation:
as your word is proclaimed today, stir us from apathy,
restrain us from excess, and revive in us new hope
that all creation will one day be healed in Jesus Christ our
Lord. Amen.
OLD TESTAMENT LESSON—Judges 4:1-7 *(OT page 210 in the pew Bible)*

**Lector:** This is the word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

**ANTHEM**

O Lord God
Tschesnokoff

O Lord God, hear thou my prayer, help thou me, and give ear to my prayer. Daily do I worship thy great name and thy power. Thou alone canst help me; O send me thy peace and love, O protect me, my God. Let me never stray, O my Savior. Leave me not, O God of my salvation. I will sing to the Lord as long as I live, and praise thy great name while I have my being. Hear my prayer, hear thou my prayer; help thou me, and give ear to my prayer. Glory to thee.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON—1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 *(NT page 193)*

**Lector:** This is the word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

**GRADUAL HYMN 399 (stanza 1)**

Take My Life

*(All turn to face the Gospel Procession.)*

**GOSPEL LESSON**—Matthew 25:14-30 *(NT page 27)*

**Lector:** This is the word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

**GRADUAL HYMN 399 (stanzas 2-3)**

Take My Life

**SERMON**—The Parable of the Fearful Investor

**RESPONSE**

**PathWays Chapel Scholars Commissioning**

*The new PathWays Chapel Scholars gather on the chancel steps, facing Dr. Adam Hollowell, the Director of Student Ministries.*

**Adam:** The Chapel challenges its PathWays Chapel Scholars to walk together on a journey of discernment, listening to God in the classroom, among peers and pastors, in conversation and at work, in Durham, and beyond. Are you ready to meet God and discover more of who God has made you to be?

**New Scholars:** We are.

**Adam:** Bless, Lord, these your servants and show them how to find freedom in your service.

**New Scholars:** Amen.
Adam: Lord Jesus, you are the way, the truth, and the life. Walk with us on the way, that we may find your truth and enter your new life.

Congregation: Give us grace to see you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day.

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: “Hear our prayer.”)

OFFERTORY
O Be Joyful, All Ye Lands

Alexander Gretchaninoff (1864-1956)

O be joyful and sing unto the Lord, all ye lands. Sing ye and praise his name. All ye nations give praise unto the Lord. Praise him with trumpet. Praise him with psaltery. Thou art exalted among all gods. Holy and mighty God of glory, the God that doest wondrous things. Into all the world thy lightnings have gone forth, gone forth into all the lands. All nations have seen thy righteousness, O mighty God. Thou reignest over all the nations.

—Psalm 66:1-2; 77:13-14, 18; 97:6; 47:8

*Doxology

LASST UNS ERREUHEN

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

This morning we give thanks for the Duke University Health System and its dedication to offering care and hospitality to patients and their families in times of illness and grief. A representative brings a blood pressure cuff to the altar.

In Durham we remember those who are taking part in local elections, especially those who as candidates participate in public debate and discussion. The ushers bring forward a voter registration guide.

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*The Lord’s Prayer (number 895 in the hymnal, in unison)
**SENDING FORTH**

* **Benediction**

* **Recessional Hymn 88**
  Maker, in Whom We Live
diademata

* **Choral Blessing**
  God Be in My Head
  John Rutter
  (b. 1945)

  God be in my head and in my understanding. God be in mine eyes and in my looking. God be in my mouth and in my speaking. God be in my heart and in my thinking. God be at my end and in my departing.

**Postlude**

Kyrie, Gott heiliger Geist, BWV 671
(Kyrie, God Holy Spirit)
Johann Sebastian Bach
(1685-1750)

*All who are able may stand.*

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**Ministry of Worship**

Presiding Ministers  
The Rev. Dr. Samuel Wells  
Dr. Adam Hollowell

Preacher  
The Rev. Barbara Brown Taylor  
*Butman Professor of Religion, Piedmont College*

Lectors  
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*Trinity ’14, PathWays Chapel Scholar*
Ms. Elisabeth Michele  
*Trinity ’12, PathWays Chapel Scholar*

Choir Director  
Dr. Rodney Wynkoop

Organists  
Dr. Robert Parkins  
Ms. Jane Lynch

Presiding Minister over Memorial Chapel Communion  
The Rev. Bruce Puckett

Head Ushers  
Dr. James Ferguson and Mr. Jeff Harrison

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**This Week at Duke Chapel**

**Morning Prayer** - Monday at 9:00 a.m. in the Memorial Chapel

**Communion and Anointing** - Tuesday at 5:15 p.m. in the Memorial Chapel

**Choral Vespers** - Thursday at 5:15 p.m. in the Chancel
**About Today’s Guest Preacher**

Today we are pleased to welcome the Rev. Barbara Brown Taylor as the Sterly and Pelham Wilder, Jr., Distinguished Guest Preacher. She is the Butman Professor of Religion at Piedmont College in rural northeast Georgia. An Episcopal priest since 1984, Barbara Brown Taylor is the author of twelve books, including the New York Times bestseller _An Altar in the World_, published by HarperOne in 2009. Her first memoir, _Leaving Church_, met with widespread critical acclaim, winning a 2006 Author of the Year award from the Georgia Writers Association. The Rev. Taylor and her husband Ed live on a working farm in the foothills of the Appalachians with wild turkeys, red foxes, two old Quarter horses, and too many chickens.

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**Chapel Announcements**

**Today’s Flowers**—The flowers for the worship service today are given for the glory of God by Mary Duke Biddle Trent Semans, in honor of her mother.

**Today’s Offering**—All of today’s cash offerings and undesignated checks will be used to support the Chapel’s PathWays program, which offers students opportunities to discern God’s call for their lives through study, counsel, service, and community. Dr. Charles and Mrs. Ann Sanders, together with a couple who have asked not to be named, have pledged to match all PathWays gifts on a one-to-one basis up to $60,000.

**Organ Recital Today**—Today at 5:00 p.m., Andrew Unsworth will present a recital on the Aeolian organ in Duke Chapel. One of three full-time organists at the Mormon Tabernacle in Salt Lake City, he has been described as “an organist to be reckoned with” and praised for his “amazing technical acumen as well as impressive musicality.” He received his Ph.D. in Music from Duke in 2001, and he returns to the University as the second organist in the new “Alumni Series.”

**Duke Chapel Events Listserv**—If you would like to receive emails about upcoming Chapel-sponsored events such as concerts, talks, and special worship services, please visit [www.chapel.duke.edu/calendar](http://www.chapel.duke.edu/calendar), or send an email to Kelsey Hallatt at kelsey.hallatt@duke.edu.
The following Congregation opportunities are open to all.

**Adult Forum**—On Sunday November 20, the Rev. Bruce Puckett, Pastor to the Congregation, will lead us on the topic *Traveling the Long Road: Things I’ve Learned in Our Search for a Senior Pastor*. The forum will be held in Room 0012 of the Westbrook Building of the Divinity School at 9:45 a.m.

**Local Missions Collection**—The mission of the Alliance of AIDS Services-Carolina (AAS-C) is to serve people living with HIV/AIDS, their loved ones, caregivers, and communities at large with compassionate, non-judgmental care, prevention, education, and advocacy. In Durham County in 2010, there were 1,440 HIV cases, and Durham County ranked 3rd highest in HIV rate for North Carolina. Please participate in this food drive for the Alliance food pantries by bringing any canned food goods or dry goods to the Chapel through next Sunday, November 20. You may also contribute by donating toward the purchase of bus passes for trips to medical appointments, the pharmacy, and to run errands. Check donations should be written to the Congregation at Duke Chapel with AAS-C on the memo line.

**Dinner at Urban Ministries**—Each month the Congregation provides a meal for homeless guests at Urban Ministries of Durham. If you would like to donate lasagnas, serve one of the next meals, or acquire more information, please contact Ned Arnett at 489-4133 or email edward.arnett@duke.edu.

**Children’s Ministry**—Godly Play meets each Sunday at 9:45 a.m. Children aged 3 to second grade meet in the crypt. Those in the third through fifth grades meet in the York Reading Room on the second floor of Duke Divinity School. For more information, please contact Sonja Tilley at sonja.tilley@duke.edu.

**Youth Ministry**—Sunday school classes for youth (grades 6-12) are held in the Divinity Student Lounge at 9:45 a.m., and Youth Fellowship occurs at 5:00 p.m. each Sunday in the Chapel basement. For more information, contact the Rev. Bruce Puckett at bruce.puckett@duke.edu or 564-6993.

**Nursery Attendants Needed**—The Congregation is seeking to hire a weekly nursery attendant to assist with childcare each week during the worship service. Substitute attendants are also needed to help out occasionally. For more information, please contact Sonja Tilley at sonja.tilley@duke.edu or 684-3917.
Duke Chapel is a grand building, suitable for hosting major events in the life of the University and its members; it acts as a moderator for the diversity of religious identity and expression on campus; and it is a Christian church of an unusually interdenominational character, with a tradition of stirring music, preaching, and liturgy.

We welcome you to our life of worship, learning, dialogue, and service.

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FOR WORSHIPERS & VISITORS
† Prayer requests may be placed in the prayer box located by the Memorial Chapel.
† For a tour of Duke Chapel, meet today’s docent near the front steps of the Chapel following the service.
† Hearing assist units and a Braille hymnal are available at the attendant’s desk at the entry way of the Chapel. See the Chapel attendant if you would like to use one of our large-print Bibles or hymnals for the worship service this morning.

FOR FAMILIES & CHILDREN
† Children 4 and younger are welcome to visit the nursery (capacity limited), located in the Chapel basement, beginning at 10:50 a.m. each week. Pagers are available for parents to keep with them during worship. Parents needing a place to feed, quiet, or change infants are also welcome.
† Activity Bags (for children 5 and under) and Liturgy Boxes (ages 5-8) are available at the rear of the Chapel to help children engage in worship. Please return after the service.

We invite you to consider joining the Congregation at Duke Chapel. The Congregation is an interdenominational church with a variety of vibrant ministries, including discipleship and spiritual formation (for children, youth, and adults), mission and outreach, and pastoral care. If you are interested in making Duke Chapel your home church, contact the Rev. Bruce Puckett at 684-3917. www.congregation.chapel.duke.edu

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