Today we bid a final farewell to the Rev. Nancy Ferree-Clark who has been dear to the Chapel family for over 25 years, first as Associate Dean and then as Pastor to the Congregation. Today’s lesson from Jeremiah reveals God’s grief over his wayward people—even the prophets tell lies in God’s name and cause people to forget the nearness of God. In contrast, the lesson from Hebrews emphasizes the faithful cloud of witnesses across time and place who can be seen as encouragement to all who seek to “run with perseverance the race” of faithfulness that has been set before them. The lesson in Luke is replete with images of strife and division. Jesus expects complete allegiance, and he speaks to the cost of such discipleship while also redefining the contours of family. For Christians, baptism is the new mark of family.
The congregation is asked to remain silent
during the prelude as a time of prayer and meditation.

 Gathering
 Carillon

 Organ Prelude
 Fugue in C Major, BuxWV 174  Dieterich Buxtehude
 (c.1637-1707)

 Récit de Tierce en taille (from “Gloria,” Mass)  Nicolas de Grigny
 (1672-1703)

 Greeting

 * Processional Hymn 108
  God Hath Spoken by the Prophets  ebenezer

 * 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)
  God of glory, the end of our searching,
  as we seek you in the scriptures today
  help us to lay aside all that prevents us from seeking your
  kingdom, and to give all that we have
  to gain the pearl beyond all price,
  through our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.
OLD TESTAMENT LESSON—Jeremiah 23:23-29 (OT page 682 in the pew Bible)
Lector: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY
Grave-Adagio Felix Mendelssohn
from Sonata No. 2 in C Minor, Op. 65 (1809-1847)

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON—Hebrews 11:29-12:2 (NT page 212)
Lector: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

*GRADUAL HYMN 603 (stanzas 1-2)
Come, Holy Ghost, Our Hearts Inspire
(All turn to face the Gospel Procession.)

*GOSPEL LESSON—Luke 12:49-56 (NT page 71)
Lector: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

*GRADUAL HYMN 603 (stanzas 3-4)
Come, Holy Ghost, Our Hearts Inspire

SERMON—Am I a God Nearby?

RESPONSE

*THE 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; 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 com-
munion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of
the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

MISSION ANNOUNCEMENT

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

Offertoire sur les Grands Jeux
(from Mass for the Parishes)  François Couperin (1668-1733)

*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.

Thanksgiving

This morning we give thanks for the faculty of this university. We celebrate their dedication to scholarship and their commitment to students and the art of teaching. The ushers bring a doctoral cap to the altar.

In Durham we lift up those who live with mental illness and the organizations and people who seek to walk with them. The ushers bring forward a flower.

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

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

Sending Forth

*Commissioning

Where e’er you go Allan Friedman (b. 1976)

Where e’er you go, I will go;
Where e’er you lodge, I will lodge.
Your people shall be my people, and your God shall be my God.
Amen. —Ruth 1:16-17

*Benediction

*Recessional Hymn 127
Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah CWM RHONDDA

Postlude

Toccata in F Major, BWV 540/1 Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Carillon

*All who are able may stand.
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CHAPEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY’S FLOWERS—The floral arrangements in the chancel and in the crypt are given in loving memory of Terry Sanford’s birthday by his family.

TODAY’S OFFERING—All of today’s cash offerings and undesignated checks will be used to support the Chapel’s PathWays program that offers undergraduates and recent graduates varied opportunities to discern God’s call for their lives. Our extended Lilly grant requires a 50% match from the Chapel.

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The following Congregation opportunities are open to all.

DRIVERS NEEDED—The Student Outreach team needs drivers to transport international students from Duke to Target and back to purchase personal care and school items on Wednesday, August 18, from 3:00 to around 6:00 p.m. If you are interested in helping, please contact the Rev. Bruce Puckett at bruce.puckett@duke.edu or 684-3917.

CHILDREN’S MINISTRY—Godly Play meets each Sunday beginning at 9:45 a.m. Children entering third grade or younger meet in the crypt. Those in the fourth and fifth grades meet in the York Reading Room on the second floor of Duke Divinity School. For more information, please contact Sonja Tilley at shtilley@congregation.chapel.duke.edu.

NURSERY ATTENDANTS NEEDED—The Congregation is seeking to hire a weekly nursery attendant to assist with childcare each week during the Worship service. We also need substitute attendants to help out occasionally. For more information, please contact Sonja Tilley at shtilley@congregation.chapel.duke.edu or 684-3917.
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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.

FOR WORSHIPPERS & 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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