The Bible often portrays the fickleness of humanity. Too often the people of God fail to recognize the precious gift of the invitation God extends. In Exodus, while Moses is on Sinai receiving the Ten Commandments, the Israelites gather gold to fashion a calf idol. They easily fall into worshiping their wealth and the creativity of their own hands. In Matthew’s gospel, a king has extended a gracious invitation to an abundant wedding banquet, but having no sense of the value of the invitation, the guests do not come. In Philippians, Paul is confined to prison, and he encourages people in their worry by assuring them that the peace of God is near if they are willing to receive it.
The congregation is asked to remain silent during the prelude as a time of prayer and meditation.

GATHERING

CARILLON

CHORAL PRELUDE

Lord, for Thy Tender Mercies’ Sake
Richard Farrant (c. 1530-1580)

Locus iste
Anton Bruckner (1824-1896)

Never Weather-Beaten Sail
C. Hubert H. Parry (1848-1918)

God Is Seen
American Folk Hymn tune: Captain Kidd
arr. Alice Parker (b.1925)

Heavenly Union
American Folk Hymn
arr. K. Lee Scott (b.1950)

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 340
Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy
restoration

*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.)

At the close of today’s service, the Lord’s Supper will be celebrated in the Memorial Chapel located to the left of the chancel.
Immediately following the Lord’s Supper, a service of prayer for healing will be held. The service consists of prayers for healing and wholeness, with anointing and laying on of hands. All are invited.
**Proclamation**

**Prayer for Illumination (in unison)**

Lord of creation, whose glory is around and within us:
open our eyes to your wonders,
that we may serve you with reverence
and know your peace at our lives’ end,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Old Testament Lesson—Exodus 32:1-20**  
*(OT pages 75-76 in the pew Bible)*

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

**Anthem**

Like as the Hart  
Herbert Howells  
(1892-1983)

Like as the hart [deer] desireth the waterbrooks, so longeth my soul after thee, O God. My soul is athirst for God, yea, even for the living God. When shall I come to appear before the presence of God? My tears have been my meat day and night, while they daily say unto me: Where is now thy God?  

—Psalm 42:1-3


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

*Gradual Hymn 339 (stanzas 1-2)*  
Come, Sinners, to the Gospel Feast  
*(All turn to face the Gospel Procession.)*

*Gospel Lesson—Matthew 22:1-14 (NT page 23)*

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

*Gradual Hymn 339 (stanzas 3-5)*

Come, Sinners, to the Gospel Feast

**Sermon—Tainted Love**

**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 communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

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
Thou, O God, Art Praised in Sion
Malcolm Boyle (1902-1976)

Thou, O God, art praised in Sion, and unto thee shall the vow
be performed in Jerusalem. Thou that hearest the prayer, unto
thee shall all flesh come. Blessed is the man whom thou choosest
and receivest unto thee. He shall dwell in thy courts, and shall be
satisfied with the pleasures of thy house, e’en of thy holy temple.
Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed in thee.
Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace because he trusteth in thee.
Trust ye in the Lord for ever, for in the Lord Jehovah is everlasting
strength. Let the people praise thee, O God, yea, let all the people
praise thee. Then shall the earth bring forth her increase: and God
shall give us his blessing. —adapted from Psalm 65

*Doxology
LASST UNS ERREUEN
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
Today we offer thanks for the employees who make up the housekeeping staff of the university and their work in cleaning, tidying, and making offices and classrooms ready for learning and productivity. Oscar Dantzler, one of the Chapel’s housekeepers, brings forward a Duke housekeeping cap to the altar.

In Durham, we lift up chaplains at local hospitals who provide a ministry of love and listening to patients and families. The ushers bring forward anointing oil.

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

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

*BENEDICTION*

*RECENSIONAL HYMN 126*

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

MIT FREUDEN ZART

*CHORAL BLESSING (sung by children of the Congregation)*

Go Now in Peace

Natalie Sleeth

(1930-1992)

Go now in peace. May the love of God surround you everywhere you may go.

POSTLUDE

Prelude and Fugue in G Minor, BuxWV 149

Dietrich Buxtehude

(c. 1637-1707)

CARILLON

*All who are able may stand.*

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- The Rev. Bruce Puckett
- The Rev. Dr. Samuel Wells

Preacher

- The Rev. Meghan Feldmeyer

Lectors

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  - Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel
- Mr. Mark Kagika
  - Pratt ’13, Member of the Chapel Choir

Guest Choir

Renaissance Choral Ensemble

Guest Choir Director

Mr. Robert Pritchard

Guest Accompanist

Mr. Timothy Belk

Organist

Ms. Jane Lynch

Guitarist for Choral Blessing

Mr. Rick Keena

Presiding Minister over Memorial Chapel Communion

The Rev. Bruce Puckett

Head Ushers

Dr. James Ferguson and Mr. Jeff Harrison

Carillonneur

Mr. J. Samuel Hammond
CHAPEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY’S FLOWERS—The flowers for this morning are given to the glory of God by the Erlenbach Family Trust.

TODAY’S OFFERING—All of today’s cash offerings and undesignated checks will be used for the Chapel Development Fund, which is the primary source of contributed funds for building care and preservation. The Chapel fulfills James B. Duke’s desire that the building exert a profound influence on the lives of the young women and men who attend the university.

TODAY’S GUEST CHOIR—Founded in 2002, the Renaissance Choral Ensemble is committed to high quality performance of great chamber choral literature. The choir performs three concerts each year in its native Charlotte, NC. The choir has also performed for many years at Duke Chapel. More information can be found at www.singers-renaissance.org.

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, or send an email to Kelsey Hallatt at kelsey.hallatt@duke.edu.

SERMONS AVAILABLE—Copies of today’s sermon are available in the communication stands at either side of the narthex, just inside the front doors of the Chapel. Downloadable PDFs, podcasts, and webcasts of the weekly sermons are available on the Chapel’s website, www.chapel.duke.edu.

THEOLOGICAL SCHOOLS DAY—Duke Chapel PathWays is hosting a Theological Schools Day fair on Wednesday, October 19, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the upper level of the Bryan Center. This is a chance to meet with admissions representatives from nearly 25 schools with graduate programs in theology. A panel of Duke alums will share their thoughts on graduate programs from 11:15 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in Meeting Room A of the Bryan Center. All students considering Masters work or Ph.D. programs in theology or religion are encouraged to attend. For more information, contact Rev. Keith Daniel, kd1@duke.edu

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK—The Duke Fire Safety division would like to remind the Chapel community that this week is National Fire Prevention Week. Please test your smoke detectors and replace batteries this week. For more information about fire prevention week, go to www.safety.duke.edu/FireSafety.

THIS WEEK AT DUKE CHAPEL

MORNING PRAYER - No Monday prayer service due to Fall Break
COMMUNION AND HEALING - No Tuesday service due to Fall Break
CHORAL VESPERS - Thursday at 5:15 p.m. in the Chancel
The following Congregation opportunities are open to all.

**Adult Forum**— On Sunday, October 16, Winnie Morgan, the Early Childhood Faith Initiative Coordinator for Durham Partnership for Children and End Poverty Durham, will present a talk titled *Marrying the Faith Community & Early Child Development - What’s Your Role?* The forum will be held in Room 0012 of the Westbrook Building of the Divinity School at 9:45 a.m.

**ConGreGation Anniversary Worship serviCe**—The Congregation will celebrate its twenty-sixth anniversary tonight with a worship service at 5:00 p.m. The service will be followed by food and fellowship. All are welcome.

**Durham Crisis Reponse Collection**—The Local Missions Committee’s October collection is for the Durham Crisis Response Center. DCRC works to end domestic and sexual violence through advocacy, support, education, and prevention. Items needed are: laundry detergent, soap, shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, towels, pillows, paper towels, and toilet paper. Monetary donations will also be accepted (please put DCRC in check memo line). Donations may be dropped off on the back pew of the Chapel from October 9 through October 16.

**Come to the Table Cookbook**—The Congregation cookbook will go on sale after church today for $15 each. A table will be in the narthex. Limited quantities are available. Contact Deb Hackney at deb.hackney@gmail.com for more information.

**Bus Tour of Durham**—On Sunday, October 23, the Congregation is sponsoring a guided bus tour of Durham. The tour will begin immediately after worship and will conclude at 3:30 pm. It will include visits to several of Durham’s charitable agencies. Boxed lunches are available for $10. Registration is due by October 17. Contact Ed Karolak at 919-383-4233 or EKarolak@aol.com for more information.

**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 shtilley@congregation.chapel.duke.edu or 684-3917.
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We welcome you to our life of worship, learning, dialogue, and service.

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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.
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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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