Persistence is a common thread between each of the lectionary passages for today. In Jeremiah, the prophet speaks of the persistence of God, who seeks a new covenant with his people. The time of destruction is ended and the time of replanting and regrowth is at hand. In 2 Timothy, Paul also urges followers of Christ to be persistent in proclaiming the good news, even in unfavorable times and places. The gospel lesson from Luke details the story of the persistent widow who sought justice again and again until the judge relented and granted her request.
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 are available at the sound board and a Braille hymnal is 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 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 are available at the rear of the Chapel for children 5 or younger. Please return the bags at the end of the service. Children's bulletins are available from the ushers.

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. Nancy Ferree-Clark at 684-3917. www.congregation.chapel.duke.edu

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

GATHERING

CARILLON MUSIC

PRELUDE
Pastorale
César Franck
(1822-1890)

INTROIT
If Ye Love Me
Thomas Tallis
(1505-1585)

If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another comforter, that he may bide with you forever, ev’n the spirit of truth. —John 14: 15-17

GREETING

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 57
O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing
AZMON

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND WORDS OF ASSURANCE (in unison)
Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways to the glory of your name. Amen.

The minister speaks words of assurance.

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

PROCLAMATION

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (in unison)
God, our light and our salvation: as we hear your word this morning, illuminate our lives, equip us to live the gospel of Christ, and make us eager to do your will, that we may share with the whole creation the joys of eternal life. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON—Jeremiah 31:27-34 (page 691 in the pew Bible)
Lector: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.
NEW TESTAMENT LESSON—2 Timothy 3:14-4:5 (page 201)
Lector: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

*GRADUAL HYMN 417 (stanzas 1-3)
O For a Heart to Praise My God
(All turn to face the Gospel Procession.)

*GOSPEL LESSON—Luke 18:1-8 (page 76)
Lector: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

*GRADUAL HYMN 417 (stanzas 4-5)
O For a Heart to Praise My God

SERMON—The Matter of Spirituality

RESPONSE

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
Beati quorum via Charles Villiers Stanford
(1852-1924)

Beati quorum via integra est: qui ambulant in lege Domini.
Blessed are the undefiled in the way, who walk in the law of the Lord.
—Psalm 119:1

*DOXOLOGY LASST UNS ERFREUEN
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 AND COMMUNION
This morning we give thanks for the Duke Divinity School and its work in
forming students in Christian discipleship and nurturing them in love and
service to Christ and the Church. Representatives bring a stole and a glass
cross to the altar.

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING
(Page 17 in the hymnal. The congregation sings the responses.)

*THE LORD’S PRAYER (number 895 in the hymnal, in unison)
SHARING OF THE BREAD AND WINE

All those who have become members of Christ’s body through baptism and seek to be united with God and at peace with their neighbor are invited to receive communion. Wine is used for communion. The tradition as understood at Duke Chapel is that the Holy Spirit makes Christ fully present in both the bread and the wine. If you receive only the bread, be assured that you are nonetheless in full communion with Christ and the Church.

If you would like to receive individual anointing with oil and prayers for healing, ministers will be in the Memorial Chapel during communion.

MUSIC DURING DISTRIBUTION

HYMN 441
What Does the Lord Require

COMMUNION ANTHEM
Ave Verum Corpus

Colin Mawby
(b. 1936)

Ave verum corpus natum de Maria Virgine: 
Vere passum, immolatum in cruce pro homine: 
Cujus latus perforatum fluxit aqua et sanguine: 
Esto nobis praegustatum mortis in examine: 

Hail, true body, born of the Virgin Mary: 
Who truly suffered, was sacrificed on the cross for mortals: 
Whose side was pierced, whence flowed water and blood: 
Be for us a foretaste of heaven during our final examining. 
O sweet Jesus! O blessed Jesus! O Jesus, Son of Mary.

HYMN 97 (choir only)
For the Fruits of This Creation

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING FORTH

*BENEDICTION

*RECESSINAL HYMN 554
All Praise to Our Redeeming Lord

ARMENIA

*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
Prélude, Op. 29/1

Gabriel Pierné
(1863-1937)
MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

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ABOUT TODAY’S GUEST PREACHER

Today we welcome the Rev. Dr. L. Gregory Jones as our guest preacher. Dr. Jones is Dean and Professor of Theology at Duke University Divinity School. A noted scholar, teacher, and church leader, he is the author or editor of thirteen books, including the acclaimed Embodying Forgiveness and, most recently, Everyday Matters: Intersections of Life and Faith and the co-authored Resurrecting Excellence: Shaping Faithful Christian Ministry. He writes a regular column, “Faith Matters,” for The Christian Century, for which he is also an editor-at-large. He and his wife, the Rev. Susan Pendleton Jones, have three children: Nate (a Duke junior), Ben, and Sarah.

EACH WEEK AT DUKE CHAPEL

SUNDAY NIGHT WORSHIP - Tonight at 5:00 p.m. in Goodson Chapel
MORNING PRAYER - Weekdays at 8:15 a.m. in the Memorial Chapel
COMMUNION AND HEALING - Tuesdays at 5:15 p.m. in the Memorial Chapel
CHORAL VESPERS - Thursdays at 5:15 p.m. in the Memorial Chapel
FLOWERS—The flowers are presented to the glory of God by the Erlenbach Family Trust.

TODAY’S OFFERING—Today’s offering 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.

LAST WEEK’S MISSION OF THE MONTH OFFERING—The offering committee asked the Chapel community to give above and beyond their regular offering for the Duke School of Nursing’s health fair for Durham’s homeless population. The cost for the fair is estimated to be $6,000-7,000. The offering given was $7030 with the potential of a large gift to come. Thank you for your generosity.

DEAN WELLS AND GODLY PLAY—This afternoon at 4:00 p.m., Dean Wells will lead the fourth in a series of community engagement talks using the methods of Godly Play. It will take place at Asbury Temple United Methodist Church, 201 S. Alston Avenue, Durham. People of all ages are welcome.

THEOLOGICAL SCHOOLS DAY—The Duke Chapel PathWays program is hosting Theological Schools Day on Wednesday October 24 from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Representatives of more than 25 theological schools from around the country will be on the upper level of the Bryan Center to talk with students about theological education and studying for the ministry. Contact PathWays director, Keith Daniel, kd1@duke.edu, for more information.

PINECREST HIGH SCHOOL CHORAL CONCERT—Next week’s guest choir will be presenting a concert in Duke Chapel at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 28th. Admission is free.

BROADCASTS—Thanks to the Friends of Duke Chapel, the Sunday service is broadcast live every week over AM 620 WDNC and one week later on Raleigh station AM 570 WDOX and Franklin County station AM 1480 WYRN at 10:00 a.m. If you have access to the web, the service is also available on the web via streaming video at www.chapel.duke.edu. The service is broadcast live on patient TV channel 50 in Duke Hospital.
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The following Congregation opportunities are open to all.

ADULT FORUM—On October 28, Kenneth L. Carder, the Ruth W. and A. Morris Williams Professor of the Practice of Christian Ministry, will discuss “The Church’s Struggle with the Issue of Homosexuality.” The forum will be held in Room 0012 of the Westbrook Building at 9:45 a.m.

GRADUATE STUDENT AND YOUNG ADULT LUNCHEON—The Student Outreach Committee invites graduate students and young adults to a luncheon today immediately following worship. No reservations are required. Look for congregation members wearing blue aprons to direct you to the basement lounge of the Chapel for this hour of good food and fellowship. The choir also congregates in the lounge immediately after worship, but they will clear out relatively quickly and the luncheon will commence.

STEPHEN MINISTRY TRAINING SESSION TODAY—Stephen Ministry is a confidential, one-on-one Christian caregiving ministry that provides support for anyone facing a crisis or transition. A class to train new Stephen Ministers is being organized for January 2008 to meet the rising demand for this unique form of care. If you would like to consider joining this class, you are invited to attend an information session after the service today in the Chapel basement kitchen.

HELP SERVE DINNER AT URBAN MINISTRIES—Congregation members and friends are scheduled to serve dinner at Urban Ministries on Wednesday, October 24, and Sunday, November 11. Volunteers are needed to donate baked lasagna and/or help serve the meal on either or both nights. This ministry provides food for approximately 200 homeless residents of Durham each day. If you can help, please contact Ned Arnett at 489-4133.

URBAN MINISTRIES COLLECTION—The Local Missions Committee will be collecting urgently needed supplies for the Urban Ministries Center in Durham on Sunday, October 28. Supplies needed include: disposable diapers, cereal, powdered milk, canned fruit, and canned meats. Donations may be dropped off on the back pew of the Chapel. For more information, contact Dave Allen at dja4@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 McKennon Shea, Youth Director, at mckennon@mckennon.net or 870-818-5604.

CHILDREN’S MINISTRY—Godly Play, a Christian education and spiritual direction program for children ages 2-11, meets each Sunday morning at 9:45 a.m. in the Chapel Crypt. For more information, contact Elizabeth Clift at elizabeth.clift@gmail.com.