This morning we welcome back many friends returning for Reunion Weekend. The Chapel is preparing for next weekend's performance of Benjamin Britten's War Requiem, a work composed in 1962 that laments the futility of war. This morning's sermon addresses the themes of the War Requiem and the place of war in the Christian life and imagination.
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FOR WORSHIPERS & VISITORS
† Prayer requests may be placed in the prayer box located by the Memorial Chapel.
† Because of the Easter holiday, there will not be a tour of the Chapel after services today.
† 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 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>
The congregation is asked to remain silent
during the prelude as a time of prayer and meditation.

GATHERING

ORGAN PRELUDE

*Schmücke dich, o liebe Seele*, BWV 654
(Deck Thyself, My Soul, with Gladness)
Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

GREETING

CHORAL INTROIT

*Agnus Dei* (from *War Requiem, op. 66*)
Benjamin Britten (1913-1976)

One ever hangs where shelled roads part. In this war He too lost a limb,
but His disciples hide apart; and now the Soldiers bear with Him.

*Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona eis requiem.*
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant them rest.

Near Golgotha strolls many a priest, and in their faces there is pride
that they were flesh-marked by the Beast by whom the gentle Christ’s

The scribes on all the people shove and bawl allegiance to the state, but
they who love the greater love lay down their life; they do not hate.

*Dona nobis pacem.* Grant us peace.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 116

The God of Abraham Praise

*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)*

*Risen Christ, faithful shepherd of your Father’s sheep: as we hear your word read and proclaimed, teach us to hear your voice and to follow your command, that all your people may be gathered into one flock, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.*
OLD TESTAMENT LESSON—Genesis 22:1-19 (page 17 in the pew Bible)
Lector: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

*GRADUAL HYMN 311 (stanzas 1-2)
Now the Green Blade Riseth  
(All turn to face the Gospel Procession.)

*GOSPEL LESSON—John 10:11-15 (page 97)
Lector: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

*GRADUAL HYMN 311 (stanzas 3-4)
Now the Green Blade Riseth  
FRENCH CAROL

SERMON—Sacrificing War

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 ANTHEM
My Shepherd Will Supply My Need  
American folk melody
arr. Mack Wilberg

My shepherd will supply my need; Jehovah is his name.
In pastures fresh he makes me feed, beside the living stream.
He brings my wandering spirit back, when I forsake his ways,
And leads me for his mercy’s sake, in paths of truth and grace.

When I walk through the shades of death, thy presence is my stay.
One word of thy supporting breath drives all my fears away.
Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, doth still my table spread.
My cup with blessings overflows, thine oil anoints my head.

The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days.
O may thy house be mine abode and all my work be praise!
There would I find a settled rest while others go and come,
No more a stranger, nor a guest; but like a child at home.
—Psalm 23

*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, Alleluia.
THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION

This morning we give thanks for the Department of Biological Anthropology and Anatomy. We celebrate their commitment to understanding the evolution of humans and other primates and understanding our place in the natural world. A representative brings a copy of Darwin’s Descent of Man to the altar.

In Durham, we lift up those who are victims of homicide and the families, friends, and neighborhoods touched by these deaths. A representative brings a list of names of the 33 people who died violently in Durham during 2007.

*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 318
Christ Is Alive TRURO

COMMUNION ANTHEMS

Amazing Grace NEW BRITAIN, from Virginia Harmony, 1831 arr. David Ashley White

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but now am found, was blind but now I see.

’Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved; How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

The Lord has promised good to me, his word my hope secures; He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.

Through many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come; ’Tis grace that brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

Be Thou My Vision SLANE, Irish ballad melody arr. Alice Parker

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; Nought be all else to me, save that thou art. Thou my best thought by day or by night, Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.
Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father, I thy true son;
Thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor man’s empty praise.
Thou mine inheritance, now and always;
Thou and thou only, first in my heart,
High king of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High king of heaven, my victory won,
May I reach heaven’s joys, O bright heaven’s sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O ruler of all.

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING FORTH

*Benediction

*RECESSONAL HYMN 127
Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah CWM RHONDDA

*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
Fugue in C, BWV 547/2 J. S. Bach

*All who are able may stand.
MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Presiding Ministers
The Rev. Craig Kocher
The Rev. Nancy Ferree-Clark

Preacher
The Rev. Canon Dr. Samuel Wells

Lectors
Ms. Emily Thomey
Mr. Thomas Clark

Trinity '08
President, Duke Alumni Association; Trinity '69
Member of the Duke University Board of Trustees

Choral Director
Dr. Rodney Wynkoop

Soloists
Ms. Megan Gray
Mr. Wade Henderson

Organists
Dr. Robert Parkins
Dr. David Arcus

Guest Musicians
Mr. Philip Snyder, flute
Ms. Carrie Shull, oboe
Ms. Anita Burroughs-Price, harp

Ministers of Anointing
The Rev. Nancy Ferree-Clark, The Rev. Abby Kocher,
The Rev. Matthew Schlimm, Divinity '01, Graduate School '09

Head Ushers
Dr. James Ferguson, Jr., and Ms. Sara Brandt

CHAPEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY’S FLOWERS—The flowers in the Memorial Chapel are provided by the Duke Alumni Association in memory of Duke alumni who died in the last year. All other flowers located throughout the Chapel this morning are the generous gifts of Floral Dimensions, Ninth Street Flowers, and Tre Bella Flowers in honor of 75 years of weddings in the Chapel.

TODAY’S OFFERING—The whole of today’s offering will be used to support human service organizations in the greater Durham area. These nonprofit organizations are identified to receive funds by a panel of Congregation members, Friends, and students. The grant-making process not only benefits people in need, but also seeks to introduce students to faithful stewardship and community development.

NEXT WEEK AT DUKE CHAPEL—On April 19 and 20 the Chapel will host performances of Benjamin Britten’s War Requiem. Because of the 300+ person choir and orchestra, the sanctuary will be modified to accommodate the choirs and instruments—most of the chairs at the front will be removed, and both transepts will have limited space. We will have additional chairs, and overflow seating will also be available in the chancel.

A SPECIAL NOTE ABOUT WORSHIP ON MAY 11—Sunday May 11 is Duke’s graduation weekend, and the Chapel will not be worshipping at its regular 11:00 a.m. time. Instead, the worship service will be at 5:00 p.m. It is Pentecost Sunday, which will be marked with a colorful procession, baptisms, and confirmation of youth from the Congregation. The Rev. Peter Gomes, Plummer Professor of Christian Morals and Pusey Minister at Harvard, will be preaching.
The following Congregation opportunities are open to all.

**Adult Forum**—Next Sunday, April 20, the Adult Forum will feature an interview between the Rev. Dr. Jo Wells and the Very Rev. Justin Welby, who is the guest preacher for the morning. The forum will be held in Room 0012 of the Westbrook Building at 9:45 a.m.

**Graduate Students/Young Adults**—The Student Outreach Committee will host its final luncheon of the semester today after worship in the Chapel basement. It is a perfect opportunity for good food and great Christian fellowship. Please join us.

**Reading the Bible Through Agrarian Eyes**—This afternoon Dr. Ellen Davis, Professor of Bible and Practical Theology at Duke Divinity School, will present a talk titled “Reading the Bible Through Agrarian Eyes” in room 0012 Westbrook Building at 1:00 p.m. At 12:30 p.m. a simple meal will be shared by all participants at no cost. Dr. Davis will explore the themes of land, creation, and stewardship. This event is sponsored by the Environmental Stewardship Committee, and all are invited.

**Men’s Clothing and Shoe Collection**—The Congregation is collecting gently used clothing and shoes, as well as new socks and underwear, for Urban Ministries of Durham. Their need for men's clothing is especially critical. Contributions may be left on the back pew of the Chapel after worship on Sunday, April 27, or may be brought to the Congregation office any time prior to April 27.

**Fall Mission Trip Info Meeting**—There will be a brief informational gathering in the Chapel basement lounge after worship on Sunday, April 27, for those interested in participating in a mission team to Haiti. The Congregation is partnering once again with Family Health Ministries to make this journey possible. At this meeting, we will have the good fortune of hearing from Pastor Leon Dorleans, who works with Family Health Ministries in Haiti. The trip will run from October 11-19, 2008.

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**Chapel Staff Announcement**

The Duke Chapel PathWays program is pleased to welcome Mark Storslee as its new program coordinator. Mark is completing his MTS at Duke Divinity School this semester, and has prior degrees from Furman University (B.A.) and the University of Edinburgh (Master of Theology). He brings a wealth of experience to this role, most notably his six years working with the Center for Theological Exploration of Vocation, a Lilly Endowment program at Furman University, both as a student and an employee. Mark begins as program coordinator in June.