



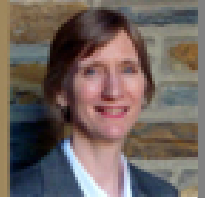
# *The Congregation at Duke University* **Chapel**

*Fellowship · Education · Mission 01.18.2018*  
**Deepening Connections**

Dear [% user.gecos %],

Donell Shaw is smiling because he has a job! It is employment you made possible. Thank you!

**FROM THE PASTOR**



Donell, who is in the center of this photograph, was recently hired by [Durham Habitat for Humanity](#) as their Repairs Apprentice. It is a one-year position designed to provide training and experience that creates a pathway to a living wage job for someone who is un/underemployed. This new, full-time, position which was initiated by our Congregation Council and developed through a year of dialogue with Durham

Habitat, is funded with your gifts to the Empowerment Ministries fund. Your gifts have enabled Donell to move out of the Urban Ministries shelter and into his own apartment. You have given him a job, which makes him smile, and yet he is not only thinking about himself. Donell says “God places our two feet right in front of us to show us the way to go. I’m looking forward to contributing to the Habitat team’s values, helping them meeting their goals, and working towards a better job.

In October 2017, the Congregation Council announced the creation of the

Empowerment Ministries Fund and challenged the congregation to contribute \$50,000 above and beyond our sustained giving. This new fund was created to support the Repairs Apprentice position and an additional group of vulnerable children through ZOE. In this way, we could join together to empower neighbors both locally and globally, enabling individuals to become economically self-sufficient. This has already begun by hiring Donell. Next month, I will write about ZOE children.

As of this writing, we have raised \$44,000 of the \$50,000 goal for the Empowerment Fund. In a few short months, you have generously supported this new outreach initiative. Thank you. If you have not yet contributed to this fund and want to be part of Donell's smile, I invite you to make a contribution above and beyond your typical giving. You may simply put a check in the offering plate noting that it is for the Empowerment Ministries or choose one of the other ways to contribute as listed on our [Giving webpage](#).

The Holy Spirit has been and is at work among us. I am convinced God has guided us in developing and supporting these initiatives. Let's rejoice in what God calls us to do together, both what we have already accomplished and what we will yet do.

I am grateful for your faithfulness.

Carol

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## **This Sunday January 21**

### **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES**

All Sunday morning classes meet in the lowest level of the Divinity School (across the Chapel quad from Page Auditorium) from **9:45 a.m.-10:45 a.m.** Refreshments are available at **9:30 a.m.** New participants are welcome at any time.

- **WEE PRAISE:** For children ages 0-3 with parents or caregivers in 0011 Westbrook.

- **GODLY PLAY:** For ages 4 through 5th graders in 0050 Langford.
- **YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL:** For youth in 6th-12th grade in 0013 Westbrook.
- **ADULT BIBLE STUDY:** Adults will focus on faith, hope, and love through an exploration of the letters of Galatians, Peter, and John in 0015 Westbrook.
- **ADULT FORUM:** The Rev. Dr. Elaine Heath, Dean of Duke Divinity School, will discuss “Living as a Contemplative in a Frenzied World” in 0012 Westbrook.

## **UNIVERSITY WORSHIP 11:00 a.m. in the Chapel**

[Third Sunday after the Epiphany](#)

**Communion will be celebrated during worship. Families with children are invited to sit up front so they can better observe The Great Thanksgiving.**

Preaching: The Rev. Dr. Luke Powery, Dean of Duke Chapel

Sermon: The Freedom of God

Lectionary readings: Jonah 3:1-5, 10; Mark 1:14-20

Hymns: #428 For the Healing of the Nations; #398 Jesus Calls Us; #565 Father, We Thank You; #438 Forth In Thy Name, O Lord

All are welcome!

## **EVENTS AFTER WORSHIP**

- **Visitation and Care Ministry** will meet after worship in the Congregation office. All those interested in caring for members of the congregation in need are welcome to attend.
- **Youth** will meet in the Chapel Kitchen.

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## **FELLOWSHIP**

## **20s AND 30s DINNERS**

Join young adults from Duke Chapel for

**LUCKY'S**



dinner at [Lucky's Deli](#) tomorrow, **January 19 at 6:30 p.m.** First-timers, along with family and friends, are

warmly welcome! RSVP for Lucky's and more information [here](#) . Also, save the date for our February Dinner at Vine Sushi and Thai on **February 23 at 6:30 p.m.!** RSVP for our February dinner and more information [here](#) .

## UPCOMING YOUTH GROUP SCHEDULE

Students in 6th-12th grades are invited to the following Youth Group events.

On **January 21**, stay after church for lunch and program in the Chapel Kitchen.

On **January 26**, join youth and their families for a night of ice-skating at the Orange County Sportsplex starting at **7:30 p.m.**

During the weekend of **February 3-4**, the Youth Group will take a Sabbath; families are invited to spend a few hours Friday or Saturday resting in God's love.

On **February 10**, youth will join the Congregation's Retreat on Spiritual Gifts from **9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

**February 11**, students are invited to join mentors for a fellowship lunch in the Brodhead Center after worship.

And finally, the Youth Group's annual Winter Ski/Tubing Retreat is **February 16-18**. For more information about these and other events for middle and high school students, contact [andrew.phillips@duke.edu](mailto:andrew.phillips@duke.edu) .

## POP-UP FELLOWSHIP DINNER

On **January 30**, join Congregation friends at a pop-up dinner in the Brodhead Center at **6:15 p.m.**, prior to Jazz Vespers in the Chapel at 7:30 p.m. Meet in the back of the Great Hall, same location as Second Sunday lunches. Please RSVP to [janetlhortin@yahoo.com](mailto:janetlhortin@yahoo.com) .

## PUB THEOLOGY

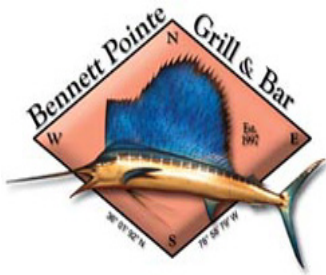
Join 20 and 30 somethings from the Congregation at Duke Chapel for gatherings around drinks, discussion, and God. Our next two meetings are

**January 25, 7:00 p.m.** at Bull McCabe's and **February 1, 7:00 p.m.** at the Pour Taproom. Friends, family, first-timers, and beverage drinkers of all kinds welcome! Email [andrew.phillips@duke.edu](mailto:andrew.phillips@duke.edu) for more information.

## SECOND SUNDAY LUNCH

Please plan to attend the pre-Valentine's Day Fellowship Lunch at the Brodhead Center after worship on **February 11**. Meet in the Great Hall, where tables will be marked. Please purchase food at one of many vendors and join others for friendly fellowship and conversation.

## SECOND WEDNESDAY LUNCH



Informal conversation and fellowship in a local restaurant is the only agenda for the Second Wednesday Lunch. On **February 14 at 12-noon**, participants will gather at Bennett Pointe Grill, 4625 Hillsborough Rd, Durham, with each person purchasing their own meal. Please notify the Congregation Office at [congregation@duke.edu](mailto:congregation@duke.edu) or 919-684-3917 by **Monday, February 12** if you plan to attend.

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## EDUCATION

### ADULT FORUM SCHEDULE

The Adult Forum provides a wide range of topics and speakers. Coming soon:

**January 28** - Tony Willms, Congregation member, will discuss "Speaking the Truth in Love: A Conversation Around Ephesians 4".

**February 4** - The Rev. Dr. Luke Powery, Dean of Duke Chapel.

**February 11** - Dr. Claudio Carvalhaes, Associate Professor of Worship, Union Theological Seminary in New York City, will present "Decolonial Thought".

## ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Beginning **January 21**, the Sunday morning adult Bible study will focus on faith, hope, and love through an exploration of the letters of Galatians, Peter, and John. All are welcome to join Denise Noble, the Congregation's Duke Divinity School Intern, in this Bible study which will meet at **9:45 a.m.** on Sunday mornings in Westbrook 0015.

## MANNA AND MERCY CLASS BEGINS

A new year and a new way to read the Bible! University students and young adults are invited to a 6-week class beginning on **Tuesday, January 23** at **7:00 p.m.** in the Chapel Conference Room. Using the book [\*Manna and Mercy\*](#), this class will take a fresh look at the story of Scripture, and offer participants a way of reading the Bible that brings healing and wholeness instead of violence and judgement. Interested? Email [andrew.phillips@duke.edu](mailto:andrew.phillips@duke.edu) to RSVP.

## LECTIONARY BIBLE STUDY

The monthly lectionary Bible study will meet on **Friday, February 2** at **10:00 a.m.** in the library at The Forest at Duke, 2701 Pickett Rd., Durham. The focus of the study will be 1 Corinthians 9:16-23. New participants are welcome at any time.

## RETREAT ON SPIRITUAL GIFTS

Adults and youth are invited to explore spiritual gifts; participants will gain a greater understanding of their own gifts and a deeper appreciation of their neighbor's gifts. The retreat entitled "Interior Movements and Holy Desires: Discerning What is Mine To Do", led by [Ms. Mary Grace McCoy](#), a spiritual director and co-founder of [The Listening Place](#), will be held at [Pilgrim United Church of Christ](#), 3011 Academy Rd, Durham on **Saturday, February 10** from **9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** The \$10 participation fee will cover the cost of a catered lunch. Please email the Congregation Office at [congregation@duke.edu](mailto:congregation@duke.edu) or call 919-684-3917 to RSVP by **Monday, February 5**.

## CONFIRMATION CLASS STARTING IN LENT

Seven youth from the Congregation will participate in Confirmation Class starting in Lent. Please be in prayer for these students as they prepare to claim for themselves the faith into which they were baptized, and grow in their knowledge and love of God with the help of mentors from the Congregation. Additional participants are welcome. Please contact [andrew.phillips@duke.edu](mailto:andrew.phillips@duke.edu) with questions.

## NEW MEMBER CLASS

The Spring New Member Class will be held on the **four Sundays in March** from **9:45 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.** in Westbrook 0015. All those considering membership in the Congregation are welcome to attend. For questions or directions to the classroom, please contact [carol.gregg@duke.edu](mailto:carol.gregg@duke.edu).

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## MISSION

### JANUARY BACK PEW COLLECTION

This Sunday, **January 21**, the Congregation will be collecting warm soft blankets, hats, socks, laundry detergent, dryer sheets, and movie passes (to Northgate's Stadium 10 Theater) for students and families connected to Partners for Youth Opportunity. Thank you in advance for your support.



### HELP FAMILIES MOVE FORWARD



Volunteers are needed on **Monday, January 22** and **Tuesday, January 23** to serve dinner from **5:15 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.** and to provide childcare from **6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.** at Families Moving Forward, Durham's shelter for homeless families. For detailed information or to

volunteer, please contact [Jane Fellows](mailto:janeafellows@msn.com) at janeafellows@msn.com or [Elaine DeAlmeida](mailto:elainedealmeida8@gmail.com) at elainedealmeida8@gmail.com.

## HABITAT HOUSE DEDICATION

Please join the McCauley/McNeal family on **Saturday, January 27** at **12-noon** to dedicate and bless their home. Their Habitat for Humanity home has been sponsored by the Congregation at Duke Chapel in partnership with Duke Chapel, several Duke departments, and First Calvary Baptist Church. The dedication and blessing will take place at 1200 Cornell Street, Durham.



## FEBRUARY PARTNER AGENCY - MEALS ON WHEELS



**MEALS on WHEELS**  
**DURHAM**

[Meals on Wheels of Durham](#) (MOW), a non-profit agency whose mission is to serve the elderly, frail, disabled, convalescing and others who cannot provide proper nutrition for themselves, is one of the Congregation's partner agencies. In 2016, MOW delivered over

129,000 meals including weekend meals. Their goal is to provide the combination of nutritious meals and social contacts that will help their clients remain independent as long as possible.

## FEBRUARY BACK PEW COLLECTION

On **February 11 and 18** please consider donating individual serving sizes of the following for the Meals On Wheels weekend meal program. Please note that any cans should have pop top lids. Fruit cups (unsweetened); Applesauce (unsweetened); Soup (low-sodium); Tuna and cracker packages; Canned meals (such as spaghetti or chicken and dumplings); Macaroni and cheese; Peanut butter or cheese crackers; Chewy or soft granola bars; Breakfast bars; Juice boxes; Ensure.



## FEBRUARY SATURDAY SERVICE PROJECT

Come share your Saturday morning by making sandwiches for Meals on Wheels of Durham, 2522 Ross Road. Volunteers are needed to make sandwiches for homebound adults in our community on **Saturday, February 17** from **9:00 a.m. to 12-noon**. Donations are also needed.

- Bread: Whole wheat white bread. Nature's Own makes a version called Whitewheat.
- Turkey: Sliced deli style
- Mustard: Yellow
- Peanut butter: Creamy
- Jelly: Grape or Strawberry, with no seeds. No jams, please.

[Click here to RSVP](#) for the service project or volunteer to donate needed items. Questions? Email Andrew Phillips at [andrew.phillips@duke.edu](mailto:andrew.phillips@duke.edu) .

## URBAN MINISTRIES DINNERS



URBAN MINISTRIES  
OF DURHAM

A BIG Thank You to the following volunteers on December 27, who served 200 dinners: Dave and Judi Vos, Evelyn Wilbanks, Rodney Wynkoop, Paul Wynkoop, Andrew Wynkoop, Kathleen Shohfi, Bill Jones, Caroline Craig, Linda Gauger,

Pat Fox, Joan Fox, Nell Noonan, Janet Hortin, Cricket Scovil.

- Please send an email to [Cricket Scovil](mailto:scovilj@aol.com) (scovilj@aol.com) if you can prepare and serve lasagnas or just prepare and drop off lasagnas on Wednesday, February 28, 6:15 p.m. to 8 p.m.; **Sunday, March 11, 5:15 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.**; or **Wednesday, April 25, 6:15 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.** We need 20-22 lasagnas each time we serve dinner!
- There is a pattern to our serving dates: 2nd Sunday of odd-numbered months and 4th Wednesday of even-numbered months. Times are 6:15 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday nights and 5:15 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Sunday nights.

## MARCH REALITY MINISTRIES LADIES TEA SERVICE PROJECT



Reality Ministries creates opportunities for teens and adults with and without developmental disabilities to experience belonging, kinship and the life-changing reality of Christ's love. Through a variety of programs, Reality Ministries strives to reflect God's heart for humanity, daily demonstrating that everyone is accepted, valued and celebrated. On **Saturday, March 3**, there is an opportunity for the ladies of Duke Chapel to serve our neighbors at a Saturday Service project.

Ladies of the Congregation are welcome to join our lady friends at Reality Ministries for a tea at the Reality Ministries Center, at 916 Lamond Ave., Durham, The tea will be on **Saturday, March 3**, from **12:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.** Any time you can donate will be appreciated. Assistance has been requested for setup, serving and sharing tea with friends and cleanup. The following food contributions would also be gratefully appreciated: tea sandwiches, cookies and baked treats. Please respond to [Linda Karolak](mailto:lindakarolak79@gmail.com) at [lindakarolak79@gmail.com](mailto:lindakarolak79@gmail.com) or to [Denise Noble](mailto:denise.noble@duke.edu) at [denise.noble@duke.edu](mailto:denise.noble@duke.edu) if you can participate.

## **DISASTER RELIEF SERVICE TRIP**

Neighbors need help in recovering from floods and hurricanes. To respond to this need, the Congregation is sponsoring a Disaster Relief Service Trip to Summerton, SC from **Sunday, March 11 to Saturday, March 17**. The cost is \$200 for the week. An informational meeting will be held **Sunday, January 28 at 12:30 p.m.** in the Chapel Lounge. Reservations and a \$100 deposit are needed by **Sunday, February 11**. Scholarships to assist with the cost are available as needed. [Additional details are online](#) and available by calling the Congregation Office at 919-684-3917.

## **HEAVENLY HUGS HAT MINISTRY UPDATE**

Heavenly Hugs Hat Ministry is in its fourth year of gifting handmade toboggans to groups in Durham. This winter, our knitters and crocheters created not only hats, but also animals and dolls for children at Ronald

McDonald House of Durham. Adult and children's hats were gifted to Families Moving Forward, TROSA and Urban Ministries. Dave and Judi Vos continue to give our hats to homeless adults. Our ministry is open to anyone who wishes to share their gifts with others. Please contact [Tamela Davis](mailto:tamelabdavis@gmail.com) at [tamelabdavis@gmail.com](mailto:tamelabdavis@gmail.com) for additional information.



Padget Gerler presents hand-knitted doll to Ronald McDonald House resident.

## **MLK SERVICE THANK YOU**

Thanks be to God for the nine members and friends of the Congregation who volunteered at the Threshold Clubhouse in honor of Martin Luther King. Working alongside students and mentors from Partners for Youth Opportunity, volunteers cleaned, served lunch, and enjoyed fellowship with Clubhouse members and staff. Interested in putting your hands to God's work in Durham? See announcements in this newsletter for more service opportunities!



## ***GOOD TO KNOW***

### **ASH WEDNESDAY**

Ash Wednesday, which marks the beginning of Lent, is **February 14**. Worship services with the imposition of ashes will be held at **8:00 a.m.** and **5:15 p.m.** in Duke Chapel. All are welcome to attend.

### **JANUARY COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS**

The Congregation Council met on January 11, 2018, at The Forest at Duke. At this month's meeting, the Council affirmed the Mission Committee's plans for an upcoming disaster relief service trip to Summerton, SC, a town hit hard by major flooding twice in the last few years. This trip is still open to additional volunteers. For more information, contact the Congregation office.

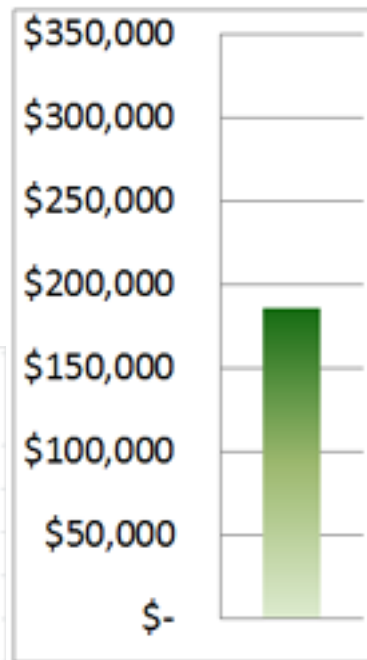
The Council also agreed to support a second ZOE project, in addition to the one the Congregation is already supporting. It was possible to make this second commitment because the project is already almost completely funded through the generosity of Congregation members and the larger community. The new project is a significant expression of the successful work of the Empowerment Ministry initiative.

If you have ideas or concerns that you want the Council to discuss, you can contact any member with your request. Meetings are open to all who want to attend. The next meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, February 8**, at **7:00 p.m.**, in The Studio at The Forest at Duke on Pickett Road.

-submitted by Susan Ward, Council Secretary

## MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

<i>July 2017-June 2018 fiscal year</i>	Actual to December 17	Annual Budget
Contributions	\$ 185,400.00	\$350,000
Other Income	\$1,048	\$1,800
Restricted Assets Released	\$9,710	\$0
Expenses	\$215,737	\$387,185
Difference	-\$19,578	-\$35,385



## UPCOMING EVENTS

- February 17 – Saturday Service Project – Meals on Wheels
- March 3 – Saturday Service Project – Reality Ministry
- April 7 – Saturday Service Project – Ronald McDonald House
- June 2-3 – Annual Overnight Retreat
- June 10 – Annual Business Meeting
- July 29-August 4 – Youth Service Learning Trip to Hinton Center

## COMING IN FEBRUARY

### February Birthdays

- 1 Paul Singer
- 3 Jonathan Kucera; Ben Tandy
- 4 Phyllis Snyder; Steven Winters

- 5 John Bussian III; Charles Smith
- 6 Helene Mau; Nancy Schiebel
- 7 Scott Huettel; Eliza Stroud; Norm Wirzba
- 8 Arlie Petters; Karen Rhodes
- 9 Megan Cacchio; Paul Ingui
- 10 Geza Dezsi; Joanne Roobol; Charles Sanders
- 11 Poppy DeAlmeida; Adriana Doi; David Kowalke; Elizabeth Petters;  
Liz Whaling
- 12 Carol Apollonio; Lesli Garrison; Virginia Hall; Suzy Strayhorn
- 13 Janet Clapp; Michelle Crocker; Scott Manuel; David Parish; Sarah  
Wolff
- 14 Chinwe Atkinson; Kay Kelly; Sue Parkerson; Kaity Woodrum
- 15 Peppi Browne-Armstrong; Joel Conway; Soren Palmer
- 16 Mike Arneson; Jonathan Beckwith; Nina Upchurch
- 17 Kimberley Smith; Graelyn Takacs;
- 18 Mary Sheldon Boney; Corey Tandy; Peter Travers; Jeanine Valkos
  
- 19 Linda Daniel; Maya Espitia-Bonning
- 20 Irving Fox
- 21 Mini Kpa; Mary Robyn Tudor
- 22 Alex DuBois; Zhe Pei
- 24 Billy Chow
- 25 Cameron DuBois; Russell Owen
- 26 Lisa Huettel; Tanner Lovelace; Juliette Teel
- 27 Lalaine Gao; William Solie

## **February Worship Services**

**February 4:** Worship Service with Holy Communion

Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Luke Powery, Dean of Duke

Chapel

**February 11:** Worship Service with Holy Communion

Preacher: Dr. Claudio Carvalhaes, Associate Professor of  
Worship at Union Theological Seminary, New York City

**February 18:** Worship Service

Preaching: The Rev, Bruce Puckett, Duke Chapel Director  
of Worship and Community Ministry

**12:15 p.m.** Holy Communion and Prayers for Healing in  
Memorial Chapel

**February 25:** Worship Service

Preaching: The Rev. Dr. Emilie Townes, Dean of  
Vanderbilt Divinity School and E. Rhodes and Leona B. Carpenter  
Professor of Womanist Ethics and Society

**12:15 p.m.** Holy Communion and Prayers for Healing in  
Memorial Chapel

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## CONGREGATION [CALENDAR](#)

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## CONGREGATION JOYS & CONCERNS

- *Joseph Krenicky* – Joe was baptized on January 7.
- *Sydnor Patrick*: Sydnor is recovering from heart valve replacement surgery.
- *Ann Sanders*: Ann is recuperating from a stroke at Hillcrest Convalescent Center.
- *Karen Witzleben*: Karen is being treated for breast cancer.
- *Luca William Grosso* – Luca, son of Melissa and Steve Grosso, was baptized on January 7.



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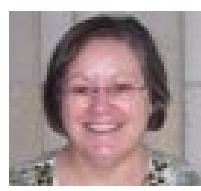
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