



# The Congregation at Duke University Chapel

*Fellowship . Education . Mission*

DEEPENING CONNECTIONS

07-18-2019

From the  
Senior Pastor



The shadow defined the space. Last week after worship, the Fellowship Committee offered worshipers lemonade under the magnolia tree on the Chapel lawn. Given that it was a beautiful, sunny, warm July day, all those gathered stood in the shadow of the large tree. Because of the bright sun, the shade was clearly defined. Lemonade drinkers wisely stepped into the shade.

As Jesus is the light of the world (John 8:12), our tendency is to focus on that which is revealed, seen, bright, and enlightened. And yet, there is also a role for the shadow and beauty within.

Drawing from natural images, the Psalmist declares:

How precious is your steadfast love, O God!  
All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings. (Psalm 36:7)

Young birds know the protection of the shadow of wings. This [short video](#) shows chicks ducking under adult wings for protection. A teenager shot this [prize winning photo](#) of a young loon under its parent's wing. Chicks often find the shadow of the wing to be a place of warmth and protection.

I expect that during these sunny days of summer, you will regularly seek out shadows. The next time you step into the cool shade of a tree or head for the shadow of a building, may it remind you to take refuge in the shadow of God's wings.

May the peace of Christ be with you.

Carol

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## This Sunday July 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:** Children ages 4-5th graders in 0050 Langford.
- **SUMMER BIBLE STUDY:** Youth and Adults will explore Ezekiel 24, led by Brian Stratton in 0013 Westbrook.

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

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Preaching: The Rev. Bruce Puckett, Assistant Dean of Duke Chapel

Scripture readings: Ezekiel 20:1-14; Philippians 2:1-11; Luke 9:18-22

Sermon: For the Sake of My Name

Hymns: #103 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise; #168 At the Name of Jesus; #545 The Church's One Foundation

All are welcome!

### MEETING AFTER WORSHIP

- **Administration Committee** will meet in the Congregation Office.

## FELLOWSHIP

### ICE CREAM SOCIAL IN AUGUST

The Fellowship Committee invites you to stay after worship on **August 11** to enjoy a bowl of cool ice cream and your favorite toppings! Please stop by the Chapel Lounge located in the lower level of the Chapel to enjoy a treat and visit with other worshippers.



### SECOND WEDNESDAY LUNCH

Informal conversation and fellowship in a local restaurant is the only agenda for the Second Wednesday Lunch. On **August 14 at 12-noon**, participants will gather at El Chapin Guatemalan Grill, 4600 Durham-Chapel Hill Blvd, Durham. Each person will purchase their own meal. Please email the Congregation Office or call 919-684-3917 by **Monday, August 12** if you plan to attend.



### LEMONADE ON THE LAWN

Many people enjoyed some sweet lemonade after worship on Sunday thanks to the Fellowship Committee.



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## EDUCATION

### YOUNG ADULT DINNER

University students and other young adults will gather for dinner and discussion on Mondays, **July 22, August 12, and August 26 at 6:30 p.m.** in the Chapel kitchen. The group will discuss current events in the light of faith. Please contact Carol Gregg for additional information.

### LECTIONARY BIBLE STUDY

The lectionary Bible study will meet in the library of The Forest at Duke on **Friday, August 2 at 10:30 a.m.** The focus will be on Luke 12:13-21.

### FALL RETREAT

Please save the date of Saturday morning, **October 19** for a retreat on "Finding Our Way in Beloved Community" led by Jonathan Wilson-Hartgrove. Participants will explore communal practices of discernment for the common good. Questions addressed will include: How do we learn to hear the voice of God in community? Where do our individual desires and commitments intersect with others' in the process of discernment? Through a combination of Scripture study, song, and conversation, participants will

## MISSION

### AUGUST PARTNER AGENCY – DURHAM NATIVITY SCHOOL

The Durham Nativity School is an independent, privately-funded middle school in central Durham. Their mission is to provide local boys, from financially-challenged families, with a tuition-free education focused on nurturing “the whole child to reach his potential through knowledge, moral values, learning skills, discipline, and character development.” DNS is unique in following the boys for 11 years, all the way through their college graduation.



### SATURDAY SERVICE PROJECT – DURHAM NATIVITY SCHOOL

Volunteers are needed on **August 10** from **9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.** at the Durham Nativity School, 1004 N. Mangum Street, Durham. The service project will involve organizing the library in preparation for the start of school in late August. Please fill out the online sign-up form or contact the Congregation Office at [congregation@duke.edu](mailto:congregation@duke.edu) or 919-684-2917 to express your interest in this project.

### BACK PEW COLLECTION – CRAYONS2CALCULATORS

On **August 11** and **August 18**, the Congregation will collect school supplies for Crayons2Calculators, an organization dedicated to providing supplies for Durham Public School students. Items currently needed include:



- Post-It Notes
- Tape (rolls)
- Pencils
- Pencil boxes
- Erasers
- Markers
- Scissors
- Construction paper
- Tissues, boxes or packs

Note that they do NOT currently need crayons, glue sticks, spiral notebooks, composition books, and filler paper, as they have ample current supplies of these items. Donations may be placed in the back pew.

### URBAN MINISTRIES DINNERS

Many thanks to the volunteers who cooked lasagnas and helped to serve dinner to 166 downtown neighbors at the Urban Ministries shelter on Sunday, July 14: Jeanine Valkos, Cricket Scovil, Matthew Scovil, Daren Hansen, Verni Dove, Merabi Dove, Nancy Wawrousek, Maureen Johnson, Kathy Jones, Bill Jones, Fran Steele, Linda Daniel, Ruth Shallert, and David Paletta.



Upcoming dinners:

- **Wednesday, August 28, 6:15p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**
- **Sunday, September 8, 5:15 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.**
- **Wednesday, October 23, 6:15 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**
- **Sunday, November 10, 5:15 to 7:00 p.m.**

The August and September dates are very close together, so please contact Cricket as soon as possible if you can serve and/or bring lasagnas. If you cannot stay to serve but you can cook and drop off two 12-serving Stouffers lasagnas with meat sauce on any of our dates, that would be a big help. Just let Cricket know ahead of time. Email Cricket Scovil at [scovilj@aol.com](mailto:scovilj@aol.com) if you can help on any of the upcoming dates. As always, a big thank you goes out to all of the Congregation members and friends who make this such a vibrant ministry.

### THANK YOU FOR CAMP SUPPLIES

Wow! Your support of the Families Moving Forward children going to camp was wonderful. We were able to provide pillows, towels, swim goggles, flip flops, bathing suits, athletic shorts and books for keeping journals for 12 boys and girls. And because of your generosity, they have nice quality clothing that will be good for all summer activities. Thank you!



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## GOOD TO KNOW

### PART-TIME STAFF

The Congregation's Council and Staff Parish Relations Committee have chosen to hire several part-time staff to assist in the Congregation's ministry.

*Kirsten Ford* has been working with the Congregation since June 1 developing communications. She is producing this newsletter, posting on social media, and developing digital posters. Kirsten has recently also started working for AmeriCorps as a Community Engagement Lead.

*Matt Wright* will teach the Youth Bible Study and facilitate young adult ministry beginning August 11. Matt is a second year Duke Divinity School student from Tennessee.

*Michael Larbi* will help the Education Committee explore the possibilities of small group and discipleship ministries starting August 18. Michael is a second year Duke Divinity School student from London.

*Joseph Kovas* will be the Congregation's field education intern this coming year, teaching the Sunday morning Adult Bible Study and attending Council meetings starting August 25. Joseph is a second year Duke Divinity School student from South Carolina.

Each of these four individuals are scheduled to work 10 hours per week and will be available on Sunday mornings. Please welcome them to the Congregation.

### CAMPUS PARKING PERMIT UPDATE AVAILABLE IN AUGUST

Duke University provides two no-cost options for parking on campus which are beneficial to those attending Congregation or Chapel events. Both options are valid only for a 12-month period, beginning and ending on **August 15**.

For those who are on campus *only on Sunday mornings*, passes are available that permit parking in the Bryan Center garage on **Sundays** between **6:00 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.** The parking pass, which is the size and shape of a business card, has an image which can be scanned at the parking entrance and exit. 2019-2020 passes should be available from the Congregation Office or the Chapel attendant's desk beginning in August.

For those who are on campus *longer on Sundays, or on weekday evenings*, an "After-Hours/Night Permit" is available. This is obtained through the Duke Parking and Transportation website, [https://duke.t2hosted.com/cmnauth\\_ext.aspx](https://duke.t2hosted.com/cmnauth_ext.aspx). Those who are affiliated with the University may obtain the permit using their university ID; community members may create a guest account. The After-Hours Permit allows parking on campus from **5:00 p.m. to 6:59 a.m.** during weekdays as well as **all day on Saturdays and Sundays**, when the lots are not reserved for special events.

Both the Sunday morning parking pass and the After-Hours Permit are available at no cost. For ease in parking, please obtain either the pass or permit before **August 15**. For questions, contact the Congregation office at [congregation@duke.edu](mailto:congregation@duke.edu) or 919-684-3917.

### VISIONING TEAM

The Congregation is entering a season of discernment, visioning, and strategic planning as a means of continually seeking God's guidance and direction. This process is being led by a Visioning Team comprised of Robin Barefoot, Janell Lovelace, Drew Middleton, Brady Surles, Mel Snyder, and Carol Gregg. While input will be sought from members and friends of the congregation, individuals are welcome to contact any member of the Visioning Team at any time to offer input and suggestions. Vice President of the Council, [Brady Surles](#), is facilitating the Visioning Team.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- August 11 – Ice Cream Social
- September 8 – Christian Education Classes start fall schedule
- September 15 – Church picnic
- September 30 to October 4 – Visit to Family Health Ministries in Haiti
- March 8 – 13, 2020 – Lenten Service Trip
- April 22 – May 1, 2020 – Visit ZOE Empowers in Zimbabwe

### MEET A CONGREGATION COUNCIL MEMBER

#### **Congregation Care Program Coordinator: Marsha Altmeyer**

I am a native of North Carolina, Duplin County, who moved back from the Northwest in 1998, having retired as a CPA. I live on what formerly was my grandparents' farm, which I always loved as a child. I was dating a gentleman, who called Duke Chapel home, and first attended with him. I quickly came to love the Congregation and the Chapel and joined in 2003. We were married by Rev. Craig Kocher shortly thereafter.



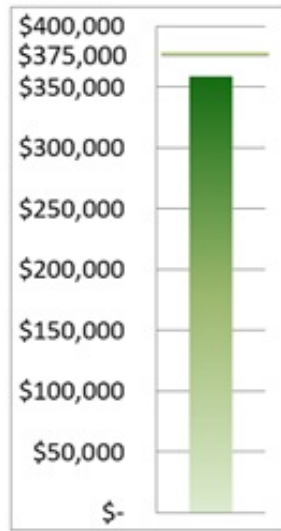
Immediately I got involved in the Education Committee and became an active participant in many facets of Congregation business. The building is wonderful and the music divine, but it has always been the people that make our place feel extraordinary. I loved helping organize the original overnight retreats and the opportunity to deepen our connection with one another. The rich resources we have at our disposal to spiritually feed us is a real gift.

My husband's memorial service was held at Duke Chapel two years ago, so it is special to me as a beginning and as an end. Truly I am ever grateful for all it has meant in my life.

### JULY FINANCIAL REPORTS

<i>July 2018-June 2019 fiscal year</i>	<b>Actual</b> July 2018-June 2019 Preliminary	<b>Annual</b> Budget
Contributions	<b>\$358,906</b>	<b>\$375,000</b>
Other Income	\$3,223	<b>\$1,800</b>
Restricted Assets Released	\$41,184	<b>\$0</b>
Expenses	\$381,998	<b>\$386,759</b>
Difference	\$21,505	<b>-\$9,959</b>





## COMING IN AUGUST

### August Birthdays

- 2 Lesley Allin
- 3 Tom Allin
- 4 Lloyd Armstrong; Billie Bauer
- 5 Brittany Birch; Ruth Boone; David Bottjen
- 6 Kaye Broos
- 7 Patrick Cacchio
- 8 Barbara Carman; Sean Chang; Freda Chesson
- 10 Gabriela Cochran; JP Cumming
- 11 Alexa Dilworth
- 12 Mary Donaie
- 13 Regina Ford; Mark Gass; Henry Haase
- 15 Diane Haithcock; Wade Henderson; Guy Hickey
- 16 Henry Hockett; Jeff Houpt; Melissa Jessen; Suin Kpa; Yen Kpa
- 17 Garrett Kucera
- 19 Mary Little
- 20 Amy Manchester; Lucas Manchester; Sam Manchester
- 21 Bill Manning; Sam Marcom; Martha Mendenhall
- 22 Eileen Mitchell; Adair Mueller; Lola Newlin-Guerrero; Laura Nye
- 23 Gary Patterson; Karolyn Pratt
- 24 Ayun Prayogo
- 25 Shawn Proffitt; Bill Ray; Norm Roobol; Mac Shea
- 27 Helen Silver; Molly Simes; Henri Siu; Hia Siu
- 28 Lila Siu
- 29 Aimee Streicher; Margy Takacs; Roy Upchurch; Donald Van Dyke; Michele Van Dyke
- 30 Susan VanSant
- 31 Dave Vos; Judith Wager; Warren Warren; Monica Wilfong; Steven Wojciechowski

### August Communion at the Forest at Duke Retirement Community

**August 19, 11:15 a.m.**

2701 Pickett Road, Durham

Serenity Room (The Chapel), Health and Wellness Center

### August Worship Services

**August 4:** Worship Service

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

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

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

Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Theresa Thames, Associate Dean of Religious Life and the Chapel, Princeton University

**August 18:** Worship Service

Preacher: The Rev. Bruce Puckett, Assistant Dean of Duke Chapel

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

**August 25:** Worship Service

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

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

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**CONGREGATION CALENDAR**  
**DUKE CHAPEL YOUTUBE CHANNEL**

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**CONGREGATION JOYS AND CONCERNS**

- *Steven DeAlmeida:* Steven is recuperating at home.
- *Darla Miller:* Darla will be moving to Knoxville, TN in August.
- *Pat Murray:* Pat is ill with a brain tumor. She requests no visitors or calls at present, yet welcomes prayer and cards.
- *Harry Nolan:* Harry will be at the Mayo Clinic in Jacksonville, FL during the month of August to begin a 6-month protocol for cancer treatment.

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** To request confidential prayer from members of the Prayer Ministry, please send your confidential request to the [Prayer Ministry](#) .

**SUBMISSION DEADLINE:** All e-News articles and announcements are to be submitted to the following e-mail address: [congregation@duke.edu](mailto:congregation@duke.edu) by 5:00 p.m. each Monday.

**SUBSCRIPTION MANAGEMENT:** Please send corrected email addresses or requests to be unsubscribed to [congregation@duke.edu](mailto:congregation@duke.edu) .

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