



# The Congregation at Duke University Chapel

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DEEPENING CONNECTIONS

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Martin Luther described his Bible study methods as follows:

"I study my Bible like I gather apples. First, I shake the whole tree that the ripest may fall. Then I shake each limb, and when I have shaken each limb, I shake each branch and every twig. Then I look under every leaf. I search the bible as a whole like shaking the whole tree. Then I shake every limb—study book after book. Then I shake every branch giving attention to the chapters. Then I shake every twig, or a careful study of the paragraphs and sentences and words and their meanings."

From the  
Senior Pastor



As we prepare for a new academic year and the start of the Congregation's fall educational schedule, perhaps we can be encouraged by Martin Luther's description of Bible study. His desire to understand the whole of the Bible as well as its details points us in the direction of thorough study.

This fall, I invite you in to the adventure of education. While our fall education schedule starts September 9, our educational opportunities are offered year-round, both on Sundays and during the week. Whether it is a Sunday morning class, evening book group, a retreat, or private study, there are many ways to study scripture and the faith. Please read the announcements below for upcoming opportunities this fall.

May we encourage one another to study and growth.

The peace of Christ be with you.

Carol

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## This Sunday August 19

### 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.
- **LIFT EV'RY VOICE:** For ages 4 through 5th graders in 0014 Westbrook.
- **SUMMER BIBLE STUDY:** Youth and Adults will explore the book of Deuteronomy in 0013 Westbrook.

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

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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

Preaching: Dr. Anatheia Portier-Young, Associate Professor of Old Testament, Duke Divinity School

Scripture readings: Deuteronomy 34:1-12; John 6:51-58

Hymns: #147 All Things Bright and Beautiful; #437 This is My Song; #626 Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence; #139 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

All are welcome!

### AFTER WORSHIP THIS SUNDAY

- **Ice Cream Social and Reception** – Please stay after worship for a time of fellowship and refreshment in the Chapel Lounge, located directly below the

sanctuary. This will be an opportunity to greet Rev. Joshua Stanley, the Congregation's new Pastor for Education and Discipleship.

## EDUCATION

### YOUNG ADULT DINNER AND DISCUSSION

The next Thursday night dinner and discussion for young adults will be held in the Chapel kitchen on **Thursday, August 23 at 6:30 p.m.** Dinner is provided; discussion is on Galatians. The gathering is designed for laughter, study, and community building. Please contact [Carol Gregg](#) for more information.

### LIFT EV'RY VOICE

This summer music program will conclude on **August 26**. Parents are invited to class on **August 19** for a special year-end celebration!



### GODLY PLAY CLASS FOR 4-YEAR-OLDS

Children who are 4-years-old by September 1 are eligible to attend Godly Play classes for the 2018-2019 academic year, which begins September 9. This is always an exciting time for the adult mentors and older children as we welcome new members into our Sunday morning community!

A special Godly Play class, just for 4-year-olds, will be held on Sunday, **August 26** beginning at **9:45 a.m.** in Duke Divinity, Langford Room 0050. This class will help introduce children and parents to Godly Play, and let the children know what to expect when classes officially start. If your 4-year-old has older siblings up through 5<sup>th</sup> grade, those children are also welcome to attend this class, especially if they have not attended Godly Play previously. Please contact [Phyllis Snyder](#) if you have questions, concerns or comments.

### CHILDREN'S CHAPEL TOUR – SEPTEMBER 2

Will your family be in town on Labor Day week-end? If so, children who have attended *Lift Ev'ry Voice* and *Godly Play* classes are invited to a special tour of the Chapel led by Chapel Docent and retired elementary school art teacher, Tamela Davis. Meet at **9:45 a.m.** in Westbrook, Room 0014, the same room where *Lift Ev'ry Voice* was held this summer. If you did not receive an eVite invitation and would like to attend, please email [Phyllis Snyder](#) to let her know.

### PUB THEOLOGY

Join us on **Thursday, September 6, 7:00 p.m.** at [Pour Taproom](#) for a discussion on Faith + Food. To help set the table for discussion, here is a [suggested reading](#).

What are the ethics of how we eat or the type of food we eat? How is it impacting our lives? The land itself? Our relationship to God, one another, and the church?

Whatever you drink and whatever you think, you are warmly welcome at the table! Questions, doubts, and a desire to discuss are the only requirements. Email [James Spencer](#) for more information, checkout the [Facebook Group](#), or you can sign up for the email list [here](#).



## LECTIONARY BIBLE STUDY

The lectionary Bible study will meet in the library of The Forest at Duke, 2701 Pickett Rd, Durham, on **Friday, September 7 at 10:30 a.m.** The focus of the study will be Mark 7:24-37.

## WEE PRAISE



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Summer programming for Wee Praise will conclude on **September 2**. On **September 9**, the 2018-2019 programming will begin. Children from infants through 3 year olds, along with their parents or caregivers, are welcome any Sunday morning starting at **9:45 a.m.** in Duke Divinity School, Westbrook room 0013.

## GODLY PLAY

The 2018-2019 Godly Play year begins on **September 9!** Children ages 4 through 5<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to join the circle of children on Sunday mornings. Classes are held in Duke Divinity School, Langford room 0050, **each Sunday** beginning at **9:45 a.m.** until Memorial Day weekend in May (with breaks during Christmas, Easter, and Duke Graduation weekend). Please join at any time! Contact Children's Pastor, Phyllis Snyder, for more information.



## YOUTH BIBLE STUDY

Starting on **Sunday, September 9, 9:45 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.**, youth will study First and Second Samuel. The books tell the stories of King Saul and King David; these are lively stories with battles, jealousy, and intrigue as well as God and human faithfulness. Youth who participate in this Bible study during their Middle and High School years will study virtually the entire Bible before graduating high school! The Youth Bible Study meets in Westbrook 0013.

## ADULT FORUM

With a variety of guest speakers, the Adult Forum offers presentations and discussions on a wide range of topics. The thought-provoking topics include Biblical studies, current social issues and the work of mission agencies. The Adult Forum meets weekly in Westbrook 0012 starting on **September 9**.

**September 9** – The Rev. Carol Gregg – Christian Community Today

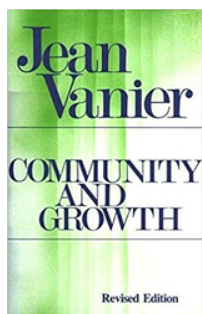
**September 16** -

**September 23** – Dr. David Walmer and Kathy Walmer, Family Health Ministries and Dr. Joel Boggan, Congregation member - Family Health Ministries and Duke Chapel, looking at the last 10 years in Partnership

**September 30** - Jane Fellows, Congregation member, and The Rev. Carol Gregg will speak about the vulnerable children in Zimbabwe that the Congregation supports through ZOE.

## Adult Bible Study

The books of Ezra and Nehemiah will be the focus of discussion for a ten-week Sunday morning series, starting on **Sunday, September 16**. These two books tell the story of the restoration of the Jewish people to its homeland and give an important history of this early postexilic period. The class will be held on Sunday mornings from 9:45-10:45 a.m. in Westbrook 0015.



## FALL BOOK GROUP

The Fall Book Group for the Congregation will focus on Jean Vanier's *Community and Growth*. The book is described in the following way: "Jean Vanier, founder of the world-famous l'Arche community for the mentally handicapped and their helpers, has written a unique book. This is no dry and systematic treatise, but rather a brilliant series of 'starting-points for reflection' on the nature and meaning of community." The book groups will meet on **Wednesdays** from **September 19 - October 24** at **10:00 a.m.** and **7:30 p.m.** at Carol Gregg's home. Participants are asked to purchase their own book. Please let the Congregation office know if you plan to attend.

## FALL RETREAT – COVENANT

God calls us to be a covenant community. What does that mean? The fall retreat, led by Dr. Ellen Davis, will focus on the theme of covenant community. Participants will engage such questions as: What are the essential elements of covenant community, from the perspective of the Old Testament? What prophetic possibilities might that suggest for our own lives? We will look together at two stories: 1 Kings 17 (Elijah and the widow of Zarephat) and the book of Ruth. Please bring your Bibles. Dr. Ellen Davis, the Amos Ragan Kearns Distinguished Professor of Bible and Practical Theology in The Divinity School, Duke University, is the author of eleven books and many articles, her research interests focus on how biblical interpretation bears on the life of faith communities and their response to urgent public issues, particularly the ecological crisis and interfaith relations. A lay Episcopalian and member of the Congregation, she has long been active as a theological consultant within the Anglican Communion. Her current work explores the arts as modes of scriptural interpretation.



The retreat will be held on **Saturday, September 29**, from **9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** in the fellowship hall at Blacknall Presbyterian Church, 1902 Perry Street, Durham. **Childcare will be provided.** Please contact the Congregation Office to make a reservation for childcare. The participant fee of \$10 will cover the cost of a catered lunch. Please make a reservation online or contact the Congregation office by **Monday, September 24**.

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## MISSION

### BACK PEW COLLECTION THIS SUNDAY

On **August 19**, the Congregation will collect school supplies for Crayons2Calculators, an organization dedicated to resourcing Durham Public Schools. Items currently needed include Post-It Notes, tape (rolls), pencils, pencil boxes, erasers, markers, scissors, and construction paper. Please note crayons and notebooks are well-supplied at this time. Donations may be placed in the back pew.



### KIDS FOR CHANGE

Families Moving Forward is planning an Inaugural Kids for Change End of Summer Celebration from **3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.** on **Sunday, August 26** at the Durham Central Park. This event is free and all are welcome. The events will provide family-friendly entertainment, affordable food/drinks and plenty of fun for the whole family.



### ACHIEVEMENT ACADEMY OF DURHAM SERVICE PROJECT

Achievement Academy of Durham, one of the Congregation's partner agencies, needs help as they move back into their academic year facility at 2614 Kress Street, near Duke Hospital. Volunteers are needed for unpacking and organizing materials. Also there is a need for 2-3 strong folks for reinstalling divider panels. Please sign up for **Friday morning, August 31**, from **9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.** at the following online link. Questions? Email Dave Vos at dlvos@hotmail.com.

### URBAN MINISTRIES DINNERS

Upcoming Urban Ministries dinners are **September 9, 5:15 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.** and **October 24, 6:15 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.** If you can prepare two 12-serving Stouffers lasagnas and help serve dinner, or if you can drop off two cooked lasagnas, please contact Cricket Scovil at scovilj@aol.com. Newcomers are always welcome.



URBAN MINISTRIES  
OF DURHAM

### URBAN MINISTRIES DINNER COORDINATOR

A volunteer is needed to help coordinate the Sunday evening shelter dinners through



purchasing food and coordinating volunteers. The cost of the food is covered by the Congregation and volunteers are recruited by Cricket Scovil. This commitment is for six Sunday evenings per year. Please contact [Carol Gregg](#) for more information.



### **SEPTEMBER PARTNER AGENCY – HABITAT FOR HUMANITY**

Habitat for Humanity of Durham is part of a global nonprofit housing organization working in local communities across all 50 states in the U.S. and in approximately 70 countries to build strength, stability and self-reliance in partnership with families in need of decent and affordable housing. This year, we are partnering with several organizations to build another Habitat house, and the Chapel will be collecting a special offering for Habitat on September 16 to support this work.

### **SEPTEMBER SATURDAY SERVICE PROJECT**

Volunteers are needed on Saturday, **September 15 from 8:30 – 11:30 a.m** to help build a Habitat for Humanity house. Volunteers need not have any prior construction experience - just a positive attitude and a willingness to learn! If you are interested in volunteering, please contact [Bruce Puckett](#) .

### **SEPTEMBER BACK PEW COLLECTION**

To support Habitat for Humanity volunteers, the following items will be collected on **September 16** and **September 23**: rolls of duct tape, Sharpie markers and construction pencils, box cutters, measuring tapes, and similar small supplies. Please place donations on the back pew.

### **THANK YOU**

Thank you to the thirteen volunteers who spent a recent Saturday morning working at the Durham Nativity School. Volunteers worked in the library, hung college banners, and planted flowers. Well done!



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## **FELLOWSHIP**

### **ICE CREAM SOCIAL AND RECEPTION**

Please stay after worship this **Sunday, August 19** to welcome Rev. Joshua Stanley, who began his ministry as the Congregation's Pastor for Education and Discipleship on August 15. Ice cream sundaes and fruit will be provided. All are welcome.

### **YOUNG ADULT DINNERS**

Young adults gather for one Friday night dinner per month. On **Friday, August 24** at **6:30 p.m.**, young adults will gather at the home of Carol Gregg. On **Friday, September 28** at **6:30 p.m.**, the gathering will be at [Luna Rotisserie and Empanadas](#), 112 W Main St, Durham. Please contact [Carol Gregg](#) for additional information.

### **OUTREACH SUNDAYS**

**August 26** and **September 2** are special Sundays in the life of Duke Chapel. On August 26, first year students are invited to attend worship. On September 2, students of all years are back on campus and back in worship. To help welcome the students to Chapel, the Council recommends

Congregation members wear a name tag during worship and a Congregation T-shirt, so that visitors can ask members about the Congregation. Small informational handouts will also be available for visitors and students. Members may pick up a name tag in the narthex on August 26 and September 2. T-shirts are available for purchase. Contact Phyllis at [phyllis.snyder@duke.edu](mailto:phyllis.snyder@duke.edu) or 919-684-3917.



### SECOND WEDNESDAY LUNCH

Informal conversation and fellowship in a local restaurant is the only agenda for the Second Wednesday Lunch. On **September 12** at **12-noon**, participants will gather at El Rodeo, 3404 Westgate Drive, Durham. Each person will purchase their own meal. Please notify the Congregation Office at [congregation@duke.edu](mailto:congregation@duke.edu) or 919-684-3917 by **Monday, September 10** if you plan to attend.

### CONGREGATION PICNIC!

A Fall Picnic will be held **September 23** from **4:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m.** at Piney Wood Park, 400 East Woodcroft Parkway in Durham. All are invited. The large picnic shelter has been reserved, so the event will occur rain or shine. Family games and activities will begin at **4:30 p.m.** and potluck meal will begin at **5:00 p.m.** Here is a link to sign up for your potluck offering [www.PerfectPotluck.com/FNBY2421](http://www.PerfectPotluck.com/FNBY2421). Please indicate number of people attending beside your dish or beverage. The Fellowship Committee will provide hotdogs (beef, turkey and veggie varieties) from DangGoodDogs catering, along with chili and cheese toppings, ketchup, mustards, sauerkraut, relish, coleslaw and onions. We are looking forward to seeing old and new friends at the picnic!

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## GOOD TO KNOW



### PASTOR FOR EDUCATION AND DISCIPLESHIP

On August 15, the Rev. Josh Stanley joined the ministry of the Congregation where his ministry will focus on education for youth and adults of all ages. Josh, who is a native of Greensboro, NC is a graduate of NC State University and Columbia Theological Seminary. He has recently finished a two-year fellowship at Second Presbyterian Church of Indianapolis. He and his wife, Rachel, live in Cary.

### DIVINITY SCHOOL INTERN

Lynn Holmes, a third-year Master of Divinity degree student at Duke Divinity School, will begin an internship with the Congregation on **August 26**. Lynn is an experienced professional who has worked in the United States Senate, the North Carolina state government and as an executive at BellSouth Corporation (now AT&T). She is also an adjunct lecturer and fellow at Duke University's Sanford School of Public Policy. Her interests are around the intersection of faith and public policy as well as Christian education and executive and administrative ministry. At the Congregation, Lynn will be teaching the Sunday morning Adult Bible Study and attending Finance and other committee meetings.



### OFFICE CLOSED

The Congregation Office will be closed on **Monday, September 3**, in observance of Labor Day.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- October 20 – Children's Fall Fellowship
- October 24 – Urban Ministries Dinner
- March 10-16, 2019 – Lenten Service Trip
- April 24-May 3, 2019 – ZOE Trip to Zimbabwe

- May 17-19, 2019 – Overnight Retreat

## **MIGHT YOU BE TRAVELING?**

A non-smoking, non-partying older couple with no pets is available for house-sitting from mid-September through mid-November of this year. Please contact the Congregation Office.

## **CHAPEL STAFF UPDATES**

Chapel Dean Luke A. Powery has announced that the Rev. Bruce Puckett will take on a new role of Assistant Dean of Duke University Chapel. In this new role, Rev. Puckett will continue to direct worship and community ministry at the Chapel while also leading the Chapel's Ministry Team. The other Ministry Team members are the Rev. Joshua Lazard, C. Eric Lincoln Minister for Student Engagement and Interim Director of Religious Life, and the Rev. Breana van Velzen, the Chapel's Community Minister. The team will be supported by a Staff Assistant, a role currently being filled on a temporary basis by Tara Stone. In addition to this new Ministry Team, and as previously announced, the operational aspects of Chapel Music will be overseen this year by Amanda Hughes, the Chapel's Director of Development and Strategy. Dr. Philip Cave will serve as Interim Director of Chapel Choir while continuing with his regular responsibilities with the Vespers Ensemble.

## **PART-TIME JOB OPENING**

The Chapel is seeking to hire a Visitor Relations Assistant. The person in this position welcomes visitors and acts as an ambassador for the Chapel. This is a part-time position with mostly evening and weekend shifts. Anyone interested is invited to apply through the [Duke Human Resources website](#) using requisition number 401461862.



## **MEET A CONGREGATION COUNCIL MEMBER**

### **Finance and Stewardship Council Representative: Cary Gravatt**

My wife, Ann and I joined the Congregation in the Fall of 2013, moving our membership from Catocin Presbyterian Church in Waterford, VA. This was our second involvement with the Chapel, the first being while graduate students in the 1960's. We both were in the Chemistry Dept, and I had the privilege of being Paul M. Gross's last graduate student. I retired in 2004 from the National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce in Washington, DC and had the

opportunity to be an Executive in Residence in the Nicholas School of the Environment. I taught a graduate class on Transportation and Energy for nine years. As new members of the Congregation, we were asked to join committees of interest and Ann selected Fellowship and encouraged me to join Finance. We both have enjoyed learning about the Congregation at Duke Chapel and meeting and welcoming new members. We live in Durham, and have two daughters, Dr. Lee Wilke in Madison, WI and Ann E. Gravatt in Portland, OR, two wonderful sons-in-law, and four fantastic grandchildren.

## **AUGUST COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS**

The Congregation Council met on August 9, 2018, at The Forest at Duke. A highlight from this month's meeting was the discussion about how the Congregation will help to welcome new and returning Duke students on two upcoming Sundays:

- August 26 is Orientation Sunday for incoming freshmen.
- September 2 is Opening Sunday for all new and returning students.

On those Sundays, the plan is for Congregation members to pick up their badges in the narthex along with small cards that show the QR code for the Congregation's website. Then, at the reception after church—or at any time—make an effort to greet students and hand out the cards. Also, if you have a Congregation T-shirt, this is the perfect time to wear it to help make the Congregation visible and welcoming to students.

Another highlight was the confirmation that Josh Stanley will be starting as our Pastor for Education and Discipleship on August 15, 2018. Also, on August 26, Lynn Holmes begins her assignment as this year's Divinity school intern. We look forward to meeting both of

them and are grateful for the work they will be doing among us.

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, September 13**, at **7:00 p.m.**, in The Studio at The Forest at Duke on Pickett Road.

### **COMING IN SEPTEMBER**

#### **September Birthdays**

**2** Cat Colvin, Dan Ford, Jordan McDaniel

**3** James Clapp

**4** Kathleen Warren, Anne Red Wright

**5** Sterling Ingui

**6** Alexandra Butler, Michael Dennehy

**8** Anthony Borg, Mark Brown, John Sandor Jr.

**11** Tony Willms

**12** Maureen Johnson

**13** Bert Alexander, Tom Manning, Drew Middleton, Bruce Mueller

**14** Gary Bennett

**15** Deni Armstrong, Mabel Cacchio, Craig DeAlmeida, Joan Fox, Levi Hains

**16** Elaine Briggs, Giovanni Gullotto, Brian Stratton

**17** Kate Clayton, Whitney Schwab

**18** Jo Anne Dewitt

**19** Beth Gray, Christopher Ross

**20** Gary Bauer

**21** Evebell Dunham, Mark Everett, Julie Hockett, Erin O'Connor, Bruce Puckett, Gretchen Ziegenhals

**23** Jim Mau, James Spencer

**24** Joel Boggan, Bob Claytor, Jim Haskins, Karen Heitzenrater

**25** Ned Arnett, Elizabeth Kenly

**26** Padgett Gerler

**27** John Foust, James Nye, Leigh Wynkoop

**29** Robert Califf, Peter Norris

**30** Lois Oliver

#### **September Worship Services**

##### **September 2:** 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

##### **September 9:** Worship Service with Holy Communion

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

##### **September 16:** Worship Service

Preacher: The Rev. Dr. J. Kameron Carter, Associate Professor of Theology, English, and African American Studies, Duke Divinity School

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

##### **September 23:** Worship Service with Holy Communion

Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Lillian Daniel, Preacher at First Congregational Church, Dubuque, IA

##### **September 30:** 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**

- *June Griggs:* June is recuperating from surgery to repair a broken hip.
- *McKennon, Anna, Mac and Teddy Shea:* The Shea family plan to move to High



Point the week of August 20.

- *Connie Warren*: Connie is scheduled for knee replacement surgery on August 15

**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 Tuesday.

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