



# The Congregation at Duke University Chapel

## Mission . Education . Fellowship

DEEPENING CONNECTIONS

01-16-2020

Baptized and beloved. As we celebrated the Baptism of the Lord last Sunday, these are the two words that came to mind for me. The scripture reading, Matthew 3:13-17, tells the story of the baptism of Jesus and describes the voice of heaven declaring, "This is my Son, the Beloved." (Matthew 3:17)

From the  
Senior Pastor



Baptism is the starting of our life-long Christian journey, and a wonderful one at that. It is also necessary. Many Christian churches identify membership in the Body of Christ as a demanding venture. Presbyterians describe our baptismal calling and membership in the church as follows:

"Membership in the Church of Jesus Christ is a joy and a privilege. It is also a commitment to participate in Christ's mission. A faithful member bears witness to God's love and grace and promises to be involved responsibly in the ministry of Christ's Church. Such involvement includes:

- proclaiming the good news in word and deed,
- taking part in the common life and worship of a congregation,
- lifting one another up in prayer, mutual concern, and active support,
- studying Scripture and the issues of Christian faith and life,
- supporting the ministry of the church through the giving of money, time, and talents,
- demonstrating a new quality of life within and through the church,
- responding to God's activity in the world through service to others,
- living responsibly in the personal, family, vocational, political, cultural, and social relationships of life,
- working in the world for peace, justice, freedom, and human fulfillment,
- caring for God's creation,
- participating in the governing responsibilities of the church, and
- reviewing and evaluating regularly the integrity of one's membership, and considering ways in which one's participation in the worship and service of the church may be increased and made more meaningful." (Book of Order, Presbyterian Church USA, G-1.0304)

We are baptized and beloved. This baptism sets us out on a journey of service and dedication to Jesus Christ. It is a call for every believer, which cannot be delegated or ignored, and rests on the sure foundation that God claims and loves us.

May the peace of Christ be with you.

Carol

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### This Sunday January 19

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 children ages 4-1<sup>st</sup> graders in 0054 Langford.
- **GODLY PLAY ADVANCED:** For children in 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grades in 0050 Langford.
- **YOUTH BIBLE STUDY:** For youth in 6<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> grades in 0013 Westbrook.
- **ADULT BIBLE STUDY:** A study of Acts in 0015 Westbrook.
- **ADULT FORUM:** The Rev. Dr. Soong-Chan Rah, Professor of Church Growth and

Evangelism at North Park Theological Seminary in Chicago, and guest preacher in Duke Chapel will discuss "*Unsettling Truths: The Ongoing, Dehumanizing Legacy of the Doctrine of Discovery*" and the failure of Christian imagination, drawing upon material in his recent book" in 0012 Westbrook.

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

### Second Sunday After Epiphany

Preaching: Rev. Dr. Soong-Chan Rah, Professor, North Park Theological Seminary

Sermon: What We Are Missing

Scripture readings: Isaiah 49:1-7; 1 Corinthians 1:1-9; John 1:29-42

Hymns: #573 O Zion, Haste; #142 If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee; #140 Great is Thy Faithfulness

All are welcome!

## MEETINGS AFTER WORSHIP

- The Visitation and Care Ministry will meet after worship in the Congregation Office.
- The Administration Committee will meet after worship in the Chapel kitchen.
- A Lenten Service Trip informational meeting will be held after worship in the Chapel lounge.

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## MISSION

### BACK PEW COLLECTION

The Back Pew Collection for Ronald McDonald House of Durham is requesting the following items. Donations may be placed on the back pew on **Sundays, January 19** and **January 26**.

- Sugar (single packets)
- 500-count boxes of disposable cutlery (plastic or compostable)
- Half & Half creamer singles (Mini Moo, etc.)
- Hand lotion
- Hot chocolate mix (single-serving packets)
- 20-oz paper bowls
- Single-serving peanut butter packets



### SATURDAY SERVICE PROJECT

The Ronald McDonald House of Durham & Wake believes that comfort takes many forms—a homemade meal, a fluffy pillow, a warm hug, a caring friend. Come to The Ronald McDonald House, located at 506 Alexander Avenue, Durham for a Bake Day on **January 25** from **9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.** Please bring the ingredients for your favorite cookie, muffin or bread recipe and join in on the fun of baking and providing comfort for those patients and families who are staying at Ronald McDonald House. Please sign up here.



### FEBRUARY PARTNER AGENCY – MEALS ON WHEELS

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. MOW provides over

120,000 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 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 the community on **Saturday, February 8** from **9:00 a.m.- 11:00 a.m.** 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.

### **FEBRUARY BACK PEW COLLECTION**

Meals on Wheels of Durham is currently in need of nutrition beverages such as Ensure and Boost for clients who are not feeling well or need extra nutrition. Donations of Ensure and Boost may be placed on the back pew on **Sundays, February 9 and 16.**

### **FEED THE NEED GALA**

On **Saturday, February 22** there will be a "Feed the Need" gala at the Washington Duke Inn to support the work of Meals on Wheels of Durham. The gala evening will include dinner, dancing, and a silent auction. [Details and tickets are here.](#)

### **URBAN MINISTRIES DINNERS**

Many thanks to the volunteers who cooked Stouffers lasagnas and helped feed our neighbors at [Urban Ministries of Durham Shelter](#) on January 12. **NEW VOLUNTEERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!** Seasoned volunteers are always on hand to help you get acquainted with serving duties. The time commitment is just under two hours at the shelter kitchen plus the time spent cooking two 12-serving frozen Stouffers (or store brand) lasagnas at home. Please check your calendars and notify Cricket at [scovilj@aol.com](mailto:scovilj@aol.com), or the Congregation Office at [congregation@duke.edu](mailto:congregation@duke.edu) or 919-684-3917 about any and all dates that you can help.

Thank you to the following volunteers who helped on January 12: meal coordinators Jeanine Valkos, Cricket Scovil, Paul Singer, Jim Gray, Beth Gray, Nancy Wawrousek, Daren Hansen, Jan Gwyer, Linda Daniel, Rodney Wynkoop, and Jane Fellows. Number of meals served: 254.

Upcoming Dinners:

- **Wednesday, February 26, from 6:15 to 8:00 p.m.**
- **Sunday, March 8, from 5:15 to 7:00 p.m.**

### **LENTEN SERVICE TRIP**

During Lent, plan to take something on rather than give something up. Volunteers are needed to assist homeowners in Eastern North Carolina recover from damage caused by hurricanes and other storms. The trip, which will be **March 8-13**, is open to adults, university students, and youth age 16 or older. Details are on [the website](#). An informational meeting about the trip will be held on **Sunday, January 19** after worship in the Chapel kitchen. For more information, please contact trip leader, [Carol Matteson](#).



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## **EDUCATION**

### **ADULT FORUM**

The topics scheduled for upcoming Adult Forum classes in 0012 Westbrook are as follows:

**January 26, 2020** – The Rev. Amanda Highben will proclaim with us "Reclaiming the E Word: Being Evangelical and a Mainline Lutheran (ELCA) Pastor in America Today".

**February 2, 2020** – The Rev. Dr. Lauren Winner, Associate Professor of Christian Spirituality, Duke Divinity School, and guest preacher in Duke University Chapel.

**February 9, 2020** – Grazina Bielousova, PhD candidate, Religious Studies, Duke University, will present "Word of God, Text of Terror: Reading Difficult Scripture Passages in the Church" Warning: these texts contain sexual violence, abuse, and excessive cruelty.

**February 16, 2020** – The Rev. G. Paul Carr, "The Lost Art of Scripture", insights from Karen Armstrong's book with the same title.

**February 23, 2020** – The Rev. Joshua Lazard, C. Eric Lincoln Minister for Student Engagement, will ponder with us "*Who Is an Evangelical? The History of a Movement in Crisis*" based on Thomas S. Kidd's book of the same name. This semester's Duke Chapel Reads student book group will be immersed in this book.

## **ANNUAL REALITY FORUM**

Reality Ministries is sponsoring a forum on “The Beauty of the Gospel: What Inclusion Really Means” on **Saturday, January 25, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.** at the Reality Center, 916 Lamond Ave. Durham. This opportunity is a day set aside to worship and reflect on our life in Christ, consider what it means that we all belong, and explore issues of justice through a theological lens. [Details and registration are online](#)

## **GRAD STUDENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS**

University graduate students, other young adults, and their partners are invited to gather for dinner and discussion on **Mondays, January 27 and February 10 at 6:30 p.m.** in the Duke Chapel kitchen, located on the lower level of the Chapel. Conversation is focused on the gospel of Matthew. All questions and perspectives are welcome. Please contact [Matt Wright](#) for additional information.

## **WINTER RETREAT (Half Day in February)**

Register now for the Winter Retreat on **Saturday, February 1 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** [Dean Gregory Jones](#) and [Rev. Susan Pendleton Jones](#) will lead the retreat on the topic of “Navigating Polarizing Times: Seeking a Center that Holds” at the Freeman Center for Jewish Life on Duke’s campus. Participants will explore the bewilderment of turbulent times and the desire to discern God’s will. Leaders will focus on Jesus Christ as the “center that holds.” The participant fee of \$10 covers the cost of a catered lunch. [Additional details are online.](#) Register now by contacting the Congregation office.



## **LECTIONARY BIBLE STUDY**

The Lectionary Bible Study will meet on **Friday, February 7 at 10:30 a.m.** in the library at The Forest at Duke Retirement Community, 2701 Pickett Avenue, Durham. The focus of the study will be 1 Corinthians 2:1-16.

## NEW MEMBER CLASS

Those who are considering joining the Congregation at Duke Chapel are invited to attend the spring new member class which will be held on four Sundays starting **February 9** from **9:45 am-10:45 a.m.** in 0014 Westbrook. Individuals, couples, and families are welcome to consider membership in the Congregation, irrespective of affiliation with Duke University. For questions about membership, please contact [Carol Gregg](mailto:carol.gregg@duke.edu) at [carol.gregg@duke.edu](mailto:carol.gregg@duke.edu) or 919-684-3917.

## LENTEN BOOK GROUPS

Henri Nouwen's *Discernment* will be the topic of discussion for the Lenten book groups beginning the first week of March. The groups will meet for five weeks to discuss the premise of the book which is "that God is always speaking to us – individually and as the people of God – at different times and in many ways." Please watch for additional details.

## OVERNIGHT RETREAT IN MAY

Register now for the Overnight Retreat, Friday, May 15 – Sunday, May 17. Dr. Zeb Highben and The Rev. Amanda Highben will be leading the retreat on the topic of "Praying and Singing the Psalter: How the Psalms Feed Our Faith." The retreat will be held at the beach, at Ft. Caswell Coastal Retreat and Conference Center, and offers plenty of free time in addition to time for worship, fellowship, and learning. All ages are welcome. Additional details are online. Please contact the Congregation office for additional information.



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## FELLOWSHIP

### LUNCH AT THE BRODHEAD CENTER

The Fellowship Committee invites you to stay after worship on **Sunday, February 9**, to enjoy lunch with other worshippers in the Brodhead Center. The Brodhead Center, which is a short walk from the Chapel, provides a wide array of dining options. Participants will purchase their own lunch then gather in the Great Hall dining area on the main floor to share a time of fellowship and food. Volunteers will provide directions. Everyone is welcome.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> WEDNESDAY LUNCH

Informal conversation and fellowship in a local restaurant is the only agenda for the Second Wednesday Lunch. On **February 12** at **12-noon**, participants will gather at the Thai Café, 2501 University Dr, Durham. Each person will purchase their own meal. Please email the Congregation Office or call 919-684-3917 by **Monday, February 10** if you plan to attend.



### SUPPORT FOR THOSE WHO MOURN

Growing thru Grief, which offers year-round support with education and small groups for those who have lost a loved one, is a free, open, confidential program sponsored by a coalition of area religious and civic organizations, including the Congregation. Meetings are held year-round on **Tuesdays** (except for holidays) at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 1200 W. Cornwallis. Participants gather at **4:00 p.m.** for registration and refreshments; the meeting, a presentation plus small group discussion, starts at **4:30 p.m.** and

## GOOD TO KNOW

### HOLIDAY CLOSING

The Congregation office will be closed on **Monday, January 20** in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

### ASH WEDNESDAY

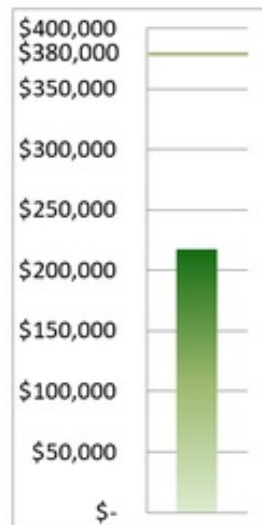
The Chapel will offer two Ash Wednesday services on **February 26**. The services will be held at **8:00 a.m.** and **5:15 p.m.** in Duke Chapel.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- February 26 – Ash Wednesday
- April 5 – Palm Sunday and the start of Holy Week
- April 12 – Easter Sunday
- April 22 – May 1, 2020 – Visit Zoe Empowers in Zimbabwe
- May 10, 2020 – Sunday Worship Service at The Forest at Duke University
- May 15-17, 2020 – Annual Overnight Retreat at Ft. Caswell, Oak Island, NC
- June 14, 2020 – Annual Business Meeting

### JANUARY FINANCIAL REPORT

<i>July 2019-June 2020 fiscal year</i>	Actual to December 31	Annual Budget
Contributions	\$217,789	\$380,000
Other Income	\$1,762	\$3,000
Restricted Assets Released	\$9,728	\$0
Expenses	\$214,187	\$381,473
Difference	\$15,093	-\$1,527



### COMING IN FEBRUARY

#### February Birthdays

- 1 Paul Singer
- 3 Jonathan Kucera
- 4 Phyllis Snyder; Steve Winters
- 5 John Bussian III, Charles Smith
- 6 Helene Mau; Nan Schiebel
- 7 Scott Huettel, Norm Wirzba
- 8 Ellie Corpening; Arlie Petters; Karen Rhodes
- 9 Megan Cacchio; Paul Ingui
- 10 Geza Dezsi; Joanne Roobol; Charles Smith

**11** Poppy DeAlmeida; Adriana Doi; David Kowalke; Elizabeth Petters  
**12** Carol Apollonio; Lesli Garrison; Virginia Hall; Suzy Strayhorn  
**13** Janet Clapp; 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** Graelyn Takacs  
**18** Mary Sheldon Beckwith; Sara Marks; Peter Travers; Jeanine Valkos  
**19** Linda Daniel; Maya Espitia-Bonning  
**20** Pat Fox  
**21** Mini Kpa; Mary Robyn Tudor  
**22** Judy Hollomon  
**24** Billy Chow  
**25** Russ Owen  
**26** Lisa Huettel; Tanner Lovelace; Juliette Teel  
**27** Lalaine Gao; Sam Solie  
**29** Nikolas Karabinos; Amy McMann Roman

### **February Communion at The Forest at Duke Retirement Community**

**February 17, 11:15 a.m.**

2701 Pickett Road, Durham

Serenity Room (The Chapel), Health and Wellness Center

### **February Worship Services**

**February 2:** Worship Service

Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Lauren Winner, Associate Professor of Christian Spirituality, Duke University Divinity School

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

**February 9:** Worship Service with Holy Communion

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

**February 16:** Worship Service

Preacher: The Rev. Dr. Thomas Long, Bandy Professor of Preaching Emeritus, Candler School of Theology, Emory University, Atlanta, GA

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

**February 23:** Worship Service with Holy Communion

Preacher: Student Preacher Sunday

### **February 26 Ash Wednesday Services**

Preacher: The Rev. Ali Tranvik, Duke University Lutheran Campus Pastor

**8:00a.m.** Worship service with imposition of ashes

**5:15 p.m.** Worship service with imposition of ashes

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

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### **CONGREGATION JOYS AND CONCERNS**

- *Marsha Altmeyer* – Marsha is recuperating at home from bronchitis and two strains of the flu.
- *Antoinette Bethea* – Antoinette will be moving to Atlanta at the end of January.
- *Macy Boydston* – Macy, daughter of Hilary and Kohl Boydston, was baptized during worship service last Sunday.
- *Madeline Cacchio* – Madeline, daughter of Megan and Patrick Cacchio, and sister of Mabel, was baptized during worship service last Sunday.
- *Theodore Grosso* – Theodore “Teddy”, son of Melissa and Steve Grosso, and brother of Luca, was baptized during worship service last Sunday.
- *Martha Hall* – Martha is recuperating at home from a fractured shoulder.
- *Pat Murray* – Pat is in hospice care due to a brain tumor. She requests no visitors or calls, yet is grateful for prayer and cards.

- *Bill Sharpe* – Bill died on January 11; services for him will be held on January 18 at 11:00 a.m in Whitley Auditorium, Elon University.



**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) .

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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