
Duke Memorial United Methodist Church

504 West Chapel Hill Street • Durham, North Carolina • 27701

In mission where life is broken. † In celebration where life is whole.

Service of the Word Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost

September 22, 2002

TOWER BELLS

10:30 am

WORSHIP

10:55 am

ENTRANCE AND PRAISE

GATHERING

OPENING VOLUNTARY

“Andante Sostenuto”

Charles M. Widor

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

You are warmly welcomed to Duke Memorial United Methodist Church. Please sign the registration pad when it is passed to you. As it returns, note who is seated on your pew so you may speak to them after the service.

Visitors, please give us your telephone number so we may contact you in person.

GREETING

God who is the source of all life

And the lover of all creation,

You are a God of mystery.

May our worship be filled with wonder.

You are a God of truth.

In our worship we seek the truth about who we are and whose we are.

You are a God of wisdom.

May we not settle for merely being clever.

You are a God whose kingdom has no end.

May we be kingdom people.

Amen.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN #553 "And Are We Yet Alive" DENNIS
The cross and light precede us from the world into the sanctuary and from the sanctuary into the world.
The cross symbolizes the triumph of Christ. The light signifies God's presence with us.

*OPENING PRAYER

May our thanksgiving be not merely routine, but spring from the deep, glad places of our hearts. May our prayers and words and songs ring with the honesty of confession, the warmth of love, the stubbornness of hope. Open our eyes to the holiness that is around us. Open our hearts to the God who is among us. Amen.

ANTHEM

"Send Your Rain"

Kelly Carpenter

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (to be sung)

Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus, to reach out and touch him, and say that we love him. Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen. Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.

EPISTLE LESSON

Philippians 1:21-30

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

(Congregation is invited to sing 1st verse and chorus of "Jesus Loves Me" as the children come forward.)

*HYMN #140

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

FAITHFULNESS

*GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 20:1-16

SERMON

"It's Not Fair!"

Ruth Harper Stevens

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH #883

Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada

*GLORIA PATRI # 71

"Glory Be to the Father"

GREATOREX

PARISH CONCERNS AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "Lord, For Thy Tender Mercies' Sake" Richard Farrant

Lord, for thy tender mercies sake; lay not our sins to our charge, but forgive that is past, and give us grace to amend our sinful lives, to decline from sin and incline to virtue, that we may walk with a perfect heart before Thee now and evermore.

*DOXOLOGY #94

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN #662

"Stand Up and Bless the Lord"

ST. MICHAEL

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

"Amen"

Richard Farrant

*GOING FORTH

*CLOSING VOLUNTARY

"Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty"

Paul Manz

Our service of worship has ended. Our worship through service begins.

*Congregation is invited to stand.

Large print bulletins and hymnals, and sound enhancing devices are available for your use. Any usher will be glad to assist you.

Church Office Information
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We are a Stephen Ministry Congregation.

THE GENERAL RULE OF DISCIPLESHIP

To witness to Jesus Christ in the world,
and to follow his teachings,
through acts of compassion, justice, worship, and devotion,
under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Our Pastoral Staff:

Ruth Harper Stevens, Senior Pastor
Lisa Brown Cole, Associate Pastor
Gina Roberts, Minister to Youth and College Age
R. Julian Irvine, Minister of Music/Worship
Ann C. Stallings, Minister of Nurture

Our Support Staff:

Laura Denny, Administrative Assistant
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