

Service of Worship

Fourth Sunday in Lent March 18, 2012 Eleven o'clock in the morning

≈ Keeping the heart of the University listening to the heart of God «



"Moses Erecting the Brazen Serpent," by William Blake, c. 1800-03.

This morning's scripture lessons emphasize the importance of faith in God even in the midst of great hardship or despair. In Numbers, the Israelites are weary and complaining about their travels in the wilderness, and then poisonous snakes came into their midst and many Israelites die. But God tells Moses to make a poisonous snake and put it on a pole so that everyone who died might see it and live. In John, a comparison is made to Jesus, who is like Moses' snake—all who see him lifted up will know eternal life. The darkness of the world is being scattered by the life and death of Christ. This morning we also welcome Duke junior Kathleen Perry as our 2012 student preacher.

At the close of today's service, the Lord's Supper will be celebrated in the Memorial Chapel located to the left of the chancel.

Immediately following the Lord's Supper, a service of prayer for healing will be held. The service consists of prayers for healing and wholeness, with anointing and laying on of hands. All are invited.

The congregation is asked to remain silent during the prelude as a time of prayer and meditation.

GATHERING

CARILLON

ORGAN PRELUDE

O Gott, du frommer Gott (O God, Thou Faithful God)

Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

Wer nur den lieben Gott lässt walten, BWV 691 (If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee)

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Introit

Sicut Moses

Heinrich Schütz (1585-1672)

Sicut Moses serpentem in deserto exaltavit, ita filium hominis, oportet exaltari, ut omnis qui credit in eum non pereat, sed habeat vitam aeternam.

Thus as Moses once lifted up the serpent in the desert, even so must the son of man be evermore exalted, that all who have faith will never die, but will have life eternal.

—John 3:14-15

Greeting and Announcements

*Processional Hymns 168 and 142 At the Name of Jesus

KING'S WESTON

If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee

WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT

*Prayer of Confession and Words of Assurance (in unison)

The minister offers words of confession in three biddings, to which the congregation responds as follows:

Lord have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

Christ have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

Lord have mercy.

The minister speaks words of assurance.

*PEACE

(All exchange signs and words of God's peace.)

Proclamation

Prayer for Illumination (in unison)

Merciful Lord, you know our struggle to serve you: when sin spoils our lives and overshadows our hearts, as we hear your word, come among us and turn us back to you again; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON—Numbers 21:4-9 (OT page 134 in the pew Bible)

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Also hat Gott die Welt geliebt

Schütz

Also hat Gott die Welt geliebt daß er seinen eingebornen Sohn gab, auf daß alle, die an ihn gläuben, nicht verloren werden, sondern das ewige Leben haben.

God so loved the world that he sent his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life —*Iohn* 3:16

New Testament Lesson—Ephesians 2:1-10 (NT page 181)

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*Gradual Hymn 400 (stanza 1)

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing (All turn to face the Gospel Procession.)

NETTLETON

*Gospel Lesson—John 3:14-21 (NT page 88)

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*Gradual Hymn 400 (stanzas 2-3)

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

NETTLETON

SERMON—Healing Bitter with Bitter

RESPONSE

*THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

CALL TO PRAYER

Minister: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you.

Minister: Let us pray.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

(The congregation responds to each petition: "Hear our prayer.")

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Ich danke dem Herrn

Schütz

Ich danke dem Herrn von ganzem Herzen im Rat der Frommen und in der Gemeinde. Groß sind die Werke des Herren, wer ihr achtet, der hat eitel Lust dran. Was er ordnet, das ist löblich und herrlich, und seine Gerechtigkeit währet ewiglich. Er hat ein Gedächtnis gestiftet seiner Wunder, der gnädige und barmherzige Herr. Er gibt Speise denen, so ihn fürchten, er gedenket ewiglich an seinen Bund. Er läßt verkündigen seine gewaltigen Taten seinem Volk, daß er ihnen gebe das Erbe der Heiden. Die Werk seiner Hände sind Wahrheit und Recht, alle seine Gebot sind rechtschaffen. Sie werden erhalten immer und ewiglich und geschehen treulich und redlich. Er sendet sein Erlösung seinem Volk, er verheißt, daß sein Bund ewiglich bleiben soll, heilig und hehr ist sein Name. Die Furcht des Herren ist der Weisheit Anfang, das ist eine Klugheit; wer danach tut, des Lob bleibet ewiglich.

I will thank the Lord with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, and in the congregation. The works of the Lord are great, sought out of all them that have pleasure therein. His work is honourable and glorious: and his righteousness endureth for ever. He hath made his wonderful works to be remembered: the Lord is gracious and full of compassion. He hath given meat unto them that fear him: he will ever be mindful of his covenant. He hath shewed his people the power of his works, that he may give them the heritage of the heathen. The works of his hands are truth and judgment; all his commandments are sure. They stand fast for ever and ever, and are done in truth and uprightness. He sent redemption unto his people: he hath commanded his covenant for ever: holy and reverend is his name. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom: a good understanding have all they that do his commandments: his praise endureth for ever. —Psalm 111

*Doxology old hundredth

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

THANKSGIVING

This morning we give thanks for Duke's Sexual Assault Support services. We are grateful for their support, counseling, and ongoing care for all those who are survivors of sexual assault. The ushers bring to the altar a photo of friends embracing.

In Durham we remember those who strive to tell truthful local histories. A representative brings forward a tobacco leaf.

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

SENDING FORTH

*BENEDICTION

*Recessional Hymn 378 Amazing Grace

AMAZING GRACE

*CHORAL BLESSING

God Be in My Head

John Rutter (b. 1945)

God be in my head and in my understanding. God be in mine eyes and in my looking. God be in my mouth and in my speaking. God be in my heart and in my thinking. God be at my end and in my departing.

Postlude

Fugue on the Magnificat, BWV 733

J. S. Bach

CARILLON

*All who are able may stand.

MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

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Mr. J. Samuel Hammond

ABOUT TODAY'S STUDENT PREACHER

We welcome Kathleen Perry as the Chapel's student preacher for 2012. Kathleen is a junior from Bloomfield Hills, MI. Studying religion and global health, Kathleen is discerning her vocation in the intersection of faith and medicine. She is a PathWays Chapel Scholar and an active member of the Duke Wesley Fellowship. Kathleen has also written for and is an editor of *Religio*, the Duke undergraduate journal of Christian thought. Kathleen attends Asbury UMC and Duke Chapel, regularly participating as a communion server and lector. She is grateful for this opportunity to preach at Duke Chapel and is thankful for the support she has received from her friends, family, and the Duke Chapel staff.



THE CONGREGATION AT DUKE UNIVERSITY CHAPEL

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The following Congregation opportunities are open to all.

ADULT FORUM—On Sunday, March 25, the Rev. Dr. Jo Bailey Wells, Associate Professor of the Practice of Christian Ministry and Bible and Director of the Anglican Episcopal House of Studies at Duke Divinity School, will present "Stories of God's Call, from Abraham to Zedekiah." The forum will be held in Room 0012 of the Westbrook Building of the Divinity School at 9:45 a.m.

Drinks and Desserts for Students—All university students are welcome to join the student preacher, Kathleen Perry, and members of the Chapel staff and Congregation for drinks and desserts following worship this morning. Spend time congratulating Kathleen and conversing with other students while enjoying homemade desserts.

Durham CROP Walk.—Save the date for the annual Durham CROP Walk, Sunday, April, at 2:30 p.m. Join the walk in solidarity with the world's hungry. Walkers and financial sponsors are needed. To join the Congregation's team or to contribute online, go to www.durhamcropwalk. org or contact Brad Troxell at brad.troxell@duke.edu or at 684-3917. Information for donors and CROP Walkers is available by the front steps of the Chapel after worship today.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY—Godly Play meets each Sunday at 9:45 a.m. Children entering third grade or younger will meet in the crypt. Those in the fourth and fifth grades will meet in the York Reading Room on the second floor of Duke Divinity School. For more information, please contact Sonja Tilley at sonja.tilley@duke.edu.

CHAPEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today's Offering—All of today's cash offerings and undesignated checks will be used to support the Chapel's PathWays program, which offers students opportunities to discern God's call for their lives through study, counsel, service, and community. Dr. Charles and Mrs. Ann Sanders, together with a couple who have asked not to be named, have pledged to match all PathWays gifts on a one-to-one basis up to \$60,000.

Organ Recital.—Today at 5:00 p.m., University Organist Robert Parkins will present a recital of "Fantasies and Fugues." The program will feature both the Flentrop and Aeolian organs in works by Bach, Franck, and Reger. The recital is free, and all are invited to attend.

May 6 Goodbye to Dean Wells—May 6, 2012 will be Dean Sam Wells' final Sunday at Duke Chapel. The 11:00 a.m. worship service will include a celebration of his contribution to the life and ministry of the Chapel, Duke, and Durham. A free lunch on the Chapel quad will follow the service, with an entertaining afternoon program back in the Chapel from 1:15-2:30 p.m.

DEAN WELLS' EXIT INTERVIEW LIVE IN DUKE CHAPEL—On Tuesday night, April 17, at 7:30 p.m., Frank Stasio, host of NPR's *The State of Things*, will interview Sam Wells live in Duke Chapel for the final Dean's Dialogue. This "Exit Interview" will be an occasion for candid conversation, challenging questions, and perhaps surprising answers. A few questions will be taken from the audience near the end of the interview. Admission is free and all are welcome to attend.

Berlioz *Requiem*—On March 24 at 8:00 p.m. and March 25 at 4:00 p.m., the Duke Chapel Choir, along with the Choral Society of Durham and Duke Chorale, will join forces to offer Hector Berlioz's monumental *Requiem* in Duke Chapel. Inspired by the dramatic potential of the medieval requiem text, Berlioz produced a work of grandeur. Conceived for 430 performers, including over a dozen percussionists, with brass choirs at the four corners of the church, the work ranges in mood from introspective to apocalyptic to serenely celestial. Rodney Wynkoop will conduct. Tickets available for \$20 at *www.tickets.duke.edu*.

GIFT OF FOOD: FAITH RESPONSES TO HUNGER—On Thursday, March 29, at 7:00 p.m. the Faith Council will host an interfaith panel on faith communities' responses to hunger. David "Agape" Scherer will speak. Other panelists include representatives from the Jewish non-profit MAZON and Buddhist Global Relief. Lucas Metropulos, a Duke first year student and founder of "Fishing for Families in Need" will moderate. The event is free, open to the public, and will be held in room 0016 Westbrook in Duke Divinity School.

THIS WEEK AT DUKE CHAPEL

MORNING PRAYER - Monday at 9:00 a.m. in the Memorial Chapel Communion and Healing - Tuesday at 5:15 p.m. in the Memorial Chapel Choral Vespers - Thursday at 5:15 p.m. in the Chancel

DUKE UNIVERSITY CHAPEL



Duke Chapel is a grand building, suitable for hosting major events in the life of the University and its members; it acts as a moderator for the diversity of religious identity and expression on campus; and it is a Christian church of an unusually interdenominational character, with a tradition of stirring music, preaching, and liturgy. We welcome you to our life of worship, learning, dialogue, and service.

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FOR WORSHIPERS & VISITORS

- † Prayer requests may be placed in the prayer box located by the Memorial Chapel.
- † For a tour of Duke Chapel, meet today's docent near the front steps of the Chapel following the service.
- † Hearing assist units and a Braille hymnal are available at the attendant's desk at the entry way of the Chapel. See the Chapel attendant if you would like to use one of our large-print Bibles or hymnals for the worship service this morning.

FOR FAMILIES & CHILDREN

- † Children 4 and younger are welcome to visit the nursery (capacity limited), located in the Chapel basement, beginning at 10:50 a.m. each week. Pagers are available for parents to keep with them during worship. Parents needing a place to feed, quiet, or change infants are also welcome.
- † Activity Bags (for children 5 and under) and Liturgy Boxes (ages 5-8) are available at the rear of the Chapel to help children engage in worship. Please return after the service.

We invite you to consider joining the Congregation at Duke Chapel. The Congregation is an interdenominational church with a variety of vibrant ministries, including discipleship and spiritual formation (for children, youth, and adults), mission and outreach, and pastoral care. If you are interested in making Duke Chapel your home church, please contact the Rev. Bruce Puckett at 684-3917. www.congregation.chapel.duke.edu

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