

Christmas Eve Service of Worship December 24, 2014

December 24, 2014 Six o'clock in the evening

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"The Nativity," by Federico Barocci, 1597.

Christmas is the festival at which Christians celebrate the birth of the Christ Child in Bethlehem over 2000 years ago. This fragile infant, long awaited and yet still a surprise, is the incarnation of God on earth. As we share gifts with our friends and families this season, we seek to capture the joy and wonder of the original gift of Christmas: God, out of his lavish abundance, comes into a broken world to dwell among us and draw us to him.

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.

ENTRANCE

CARILLON MUSIC

Brass Prelude

Six Christmas Carols

God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen

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Greensleeves

O Tannenbaum

We Three Kings

Once in Royal David's City

Angels We Have Heard on High

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Opening Procession: Hymn 234

O Come, All Ye Faithful

ADESTE FIDELES

(b. 1943)

arr. Rob Roy MacGregor

PROCLAMATION

OPENING PRAYER

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON—Isaiah 9:2–7 (OT page 600 in the pew Bible)

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Wexford Carol

Traditional Irish Carol arr. J. A. C. Redford (b. 1953)

New Testament Lesson—Titus 2:11–14 (NT pages 202-03)

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*Gradual Hymn 220 (stanzas 1–2)

Angels from the Realms of Glory

REGENT SQUARE

(All turn to face the Gospel Procession.)

*Gospel Lesson—Luke 2:1–20 (NT pages 54–55)

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*Gradual Hymn 220 (stanzas 3-4)

Angels from the Realms of Glory

REGENT SQUARE

SERMON—Immanent Glory

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; he descended into hell, 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

Christmas Day

Gustav Holst (1874–1934)

arr. Douglas Haislip

*Doxology

Gloria in excelsis Deo! (Repeat refrain as needed.)

GLORIA

THANKSGIVING

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*The Lord's Prayer (number 895 in the hymnal, in unison)

SENDING FORTH

*Benediction

*Closing Procession: Hymn 246

Joy to the World

ANTIOCH

Postlude

Toccata on VOM HIMMEL HOCH

(From Heaven Above to Earth I Come)

Garth Edmundson

(1892–1971)

CARILLON MUSIC

*All who are able may stand.

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Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel

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Chris Caudill, horn

Mike Kris, trombone Steve Truckenbrod, tuba

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Announcements

ADVENT WREATH AND DECORATIONS—The Advent Wreath is made possible by the Elizabeth Lucina Gotham Memorial Endowment, established by Dr. and Mrs. James H. Semans in loving memory of Elizabeth Gotham. The interior decorations and the wreaths on either side of the front entrance of the Chapel are given to the glory of God in celebration of the Christmas season by Dr. and Mrs. James G. Ferguson, Jr.

Christmas Eve Offering and Photos Adorning the Chapel—Each year during the Christmas season, photographs depicting the work of Family Health Ministries hang in the Chapel. As part of the Chapel's decade-long commitment to building relationships with the people of Haiti, the Christmas Eve offerings will go, for the twelfth consecutive year, to Family Health Ministries (FHM). FHM is a nonprofit agency, founded by Duke professors Dr. David and Kathy Walmer, which provides medical care and support to the people of Haiti. Since 2004, the Congregation's work with FHM has included building the Blanchard Health Clinic, and the Nancy Ferree-Clark Guesthouse named in honor of the former Congregation pastor. These offerings provide most of the clinic's annual operating support. Ongoing funding is crucial to continue to address the unmet needs of access to affordable healthcare, health education, and disease prevention. To donate online, go to <code>www.familyhm.org</code>.

Community Choir at the 11:00 p.m. Christmas Eve service—All are invited to come and sing in the community choir for the 11:00 p.m. Lessons and Carols service tonight. There is a required rehearsal at 9:00 p.m. The choir will sing six anthems, including the "Hallelujah Chorus" from *Messiah.*:

Sundays at Duke Chapel—Duke Chapel offers worship services every Sunday at 11:00 a.m. throughout the year. The Chapel welcomes members of both the university and greater Triangle communities to join in the journey of Christian discipleship throughout the year.

OPPORTUNITIES WITH THE CONGREGATION AT DUKE CHAPEL

SUNDAY EDUCATION—All Sunday morning classes meet in the lowest level of Duke Divinity School from 9:45–10:45 a.m. There are three classes for children and youth and two classes for adults. All of these classes are open to the public and new participants are welcome at any time. Classes for all ages will resume on Sunday, January 4.

Fellowship Event Next Sunday—All are invited to remain after worship next Sunday, December 28, for a time of fellowship and refreshment in the Chapel Lounge. Coffee will be provided; please bring a plate of cookies to share. Cookies may be dropped off in the lounge prior to worship. Enjoy the season with friends new and old!

Pastors Available—If you wish to speak to a pastor regarding a spiritual or personal concern, please contact congregation@duke.edu or 919-684-3917.

eNews—The Congregation at Duke Chapel publishes a weekly email announcing programs and events of the Congregation. If you would like to receive this weekly newsletter, please email congregation@duke.edu.

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.
- † There will be no tours of Duke Chapel after services today. Tours will take place after Sunday worship.
- † 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. Sundays. 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 would like to receive the weekly eNews from the Congregation or have any questions, please email congregation@duke.edu or call 919-684-3917.

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