

Service of Worship

First Sunday of Advent November 29, 2015, Page Auditorium Eleven o'clock in the morning

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Our Scripture readings today point to the new season of Advent, where we look to the first and second comings of Christ. Jeremiah prophesies centuries before Jesus' birth that a Savior will come from God, out of the line of David. Paul calls the Thessalonian church to live in love and holiness as they await the return of Christ. In Luke's Gospel, Jesus himself prophesies the terrifying signs that will accompany his return, and urges us to wait expectantly. Through Scripture, prayer, and song we await the Lord Jesus, who is Emmanuel—God with us.

During the prelude the congregation is asked to remain prayerfully or meditatively silent. The Chapel welcomes families with children; if at any time during the service your child needs a place for active play, please utilize the nursery in the Box Office on the second floor of Page.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Nun komm der Heiden Heiland, **BWV 659**

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Greeting and Announcements

*Processional Hymn 196 (Please see hymns at back of bulletin.) Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus HYFRYDOL

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

God of the future, you are coming in power to bring all nations under your rule. We confess that we have not expected your kingdom; we live casual lives, ignoring your promised judgment. We accept lies as truth, exploit neighbors, abuse the earth, and refuse your justice and peace. In your mercy, forgive us. Grant us wisdom to welcome your way, and to seek things that will endure when Christ comes to judge the world. Amen.

The minister speaks words of assurance.

*Peace

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

Proclamation

Prayer for Illumination (in unison)

O Lord our God, make us watchful, and keep us faithful to your word as we await the coming of your Son; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON—Jeremiah 33:14–16

This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

New Testament Lesson—1 Thessalonians 3:9–13

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*Gospel Lesson—Luke 21:25–36

This is the word of the Lord.

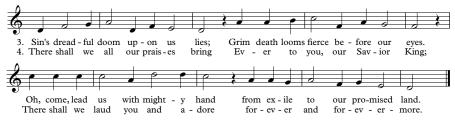
People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON—It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like...?

RESPONSE

*Response Hymn (stanzas 3–4)

O Savior, Rend the Heavens Wide o Heiland Reiss die Himmel auf



Text: German spiritual song, Koln, 1623; tr. Martin L. Seltz 1909-1967 Tune: Gesangbuch, Augsburg, 1666 O Heiland Reiss Die Himmel Auf I.M

Call to Prayer

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Minister: Let us pray.

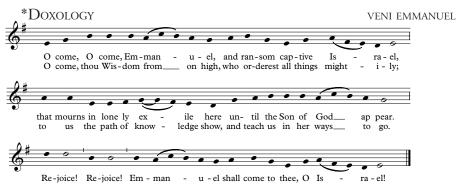
Prayers of the People

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

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Brethren, We Have Met to Worship

Paul Basler (b. 1963)



THANKSGIVING AND HOLY COMMUNION

*The Great Thanksgiving

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

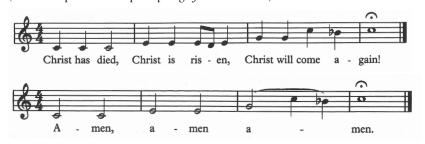
Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God



(Please respond at the prompting of the minister.)



*THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND WINE

All who love Christ, earnestly repent of their sins, and seek to be at peace with God and neighbor are invited to receive Communion.

Wine is used for Communion. Grape juice and/or gluten free wafers are available upon request at the special Communion station at the front farright. If you would prefer not to receive Communion, you are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest.

If you would like to receive individual prayer and anointing with oil, ministers are by the water fountains at the left-hand foot of the stairs in the lower Page lobby during Communion.

Music During Distribution

Hymn 626

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

PICARDY

COMMUNION ANTHEM

The Promise of Living, from *The Tender Land*

Aaron Copland (1900–1990) arr. Erik Morales

SENDING FORTH

- *Prayer of Thanksgiving
- *BENEDICTION
- *Closing Processional Hymn 718 Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending

HELMSLEY

Postlude

Jubilate Deo

Gregor Aichinger (1564–1628) arr. Irving Rosenthal

^{*}All who are able may stand.

PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK

This morning we give thanks for the Department of Biomedical Engineering. We celebrate its vision to create engineering knowledge and novel biomedical technology that improves the human condition through the advancement of clinical care and biomedical science.

In Durham, we remember new parents and newborn children and the people who support them. We pray for the flourishing of communities and families.

MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Presiding Ministers The Rev. Dr. Carol Gregg

Dr. Christy Lohr Sapp

Mr. Ed Harlow

Preacher The Rev. Bruce Puckett

Lectors Mrs. Audrey Harlow

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Minister of Anointing Dr. Christy Lohr Sapp and Mr. Jack Adams

Head Ushers Dr. James Ferguson and Mr. Rick Wilfong

WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES EACH WEEK AT DUKE CHAPEL

CHORAL EVENSONG—Sunday at 4 p.m. in Goodson Chapel

Online Mid-Week Prayer—Wednesday at noon via periscope.tv/dukechapel

CHORAL VESPERS—Thursday at 6 p.m. in Goodson Chapel

CHAPEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today's Flowers—Flowers for today's worship service are given to the glory of God by the Elizabeth Lucina Gotham Fund.

TODAY'S OFFERING—All of today's cash offerings and undesignated checks will be used to underwrite the costs for undergraduate students going on the Chapel's Spring Break mission trips. Duke Chapel PathWays provides mission trip opportunities for students who are interested in spending their Spring Break in service and reflection. Most recently, Chapel staff-led student trips to Costa Rica and Kentucky.

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 on Christmas Eve. There is a rehearsal from 7-9:00 p.m. on Monday, December 21, and a required rehearsal at 9:00 p.m. on Christmas Eve, both in Page Auditorium. The choir will sing several anthems, including the "Hallelujah Chorus" from *Messiah*.

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS SERVICES AND EVENTS AT DUKE CHAPEL



VESPERS LESSONS AND CAROLS—This candlelit choral service will take place at 6 p.m., December 3, in Goodson Chapel, Duke Divinity School.

Messiah—A long-standing and beloved Duke University tradition, the Duke Chapel Choir presents Handel's masterpiece, joined by a professional orchestra and soloists. The performances are from December 4–6 and tickets may be purchased through the Duke Box Office: tickets.duke.edu or 919-684-4444.

STUDENT-LED LESSONS AND CAROLS—Students in Duke's Religious Life community will offer a service of Lessons & Carols on Sunday, December 6 at 7 p.m. in Goodson Chapel.

Christmas Eve—This year we will be celebrating the birth of Jesus at three services, all in Page Auditorium:

- •2 p.m. Children's Service: An interactive service with the singing of Christmas carols suitable for all the family.
- •5:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Worship: The Rev. Dr. Luke Powery, Dean of Duke Chapel will be preaching, and there will be an opportunity to receive Holy Communion after the service for all who wish.
- •11 p.m. Lessons and Carols: Our traditional Lessons and Carols, with full musical and choral accompaniment.

DOXOLOGY IN ADVENT: O COME, O COME EMMANUEL

There are seven great Advent prayers (antiphons) that have been prayed since the seventh century. Each Antiphon begins with "O" and addresses Jesus with a unique name, which comes from the prophecies of Isaiah in the Old Testament.

Each O Antiphon begins with an invocation of the expected Messiah. When read backwards from the bottom up, they form an acrostic for the Latin "Ero Cras" which means, "Tomorrow I shall be with you." Today the O Antiphons are most familiar to us in the hymn "O come, O come Emmanuel" sung to the tune VENI EMMANUEL.

Sapientia—O come, thou Wisdom from on high... Adonai—O come, O come, thou LORD of might... Radix Jesse—O come, thou Root of Jesse's tree... Clavis David—O come, thou Key of David... Oriens—O come, thou Dayspring from on high... Rex Gentium—O come, Desire of nations... Emmanuel—O come, O come, Emmanuel...

As the O Antiphons (and subsequently the stanzas of VENI EMMANUEL) tell the Advent story of Christ's coming, we will sing the story of God's coming to dwell with us not all at once, but progressively and patiently over the course of four Sundays.





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The following Congregation opportunities are open to all.

SUNDAY CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES—All Sunday morning classes meet in the lowest level of Duke Divinity School from 9:45–10:45 a.m. New participants are welcome at any time:

Wee Praise: Ages 0-3 with parents or caregivers in 0011 Westbrook.

Godly Play: Ages 4 through 5th graders in 0050 Langford.

Youth Sunday School: For 6th-12th graders in 0013 Westbrook. **Adult Forum**: Next Sunday, Kimberly Caulfeild will lead the Advent Bible Study in 0012 Westbrook.

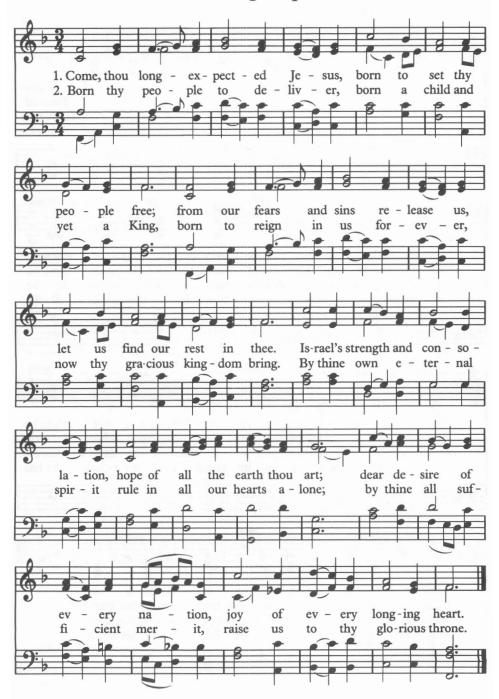
ADVENT STUDIES—Two Advent studies are being sponsored by the Congregation and are open to all who which to participate.

- "The Light will Shine: A Study for Advent" will be the topic on Sunday mornings from 9:45 10:45 a.m. in Westbrook 0015, in the lowest level of the Divinity School. The study will continue through December 27.
- •On Mondays, November 30 and December 7, the Women's Ministry is hosting a 7:00 p.m. study at the Dennehy home. Leisa Dennehy and Kate DeAlmeida will lead a discussion on anticipation and hope the first week and on patience and obedience the second week. All women are invited. Please contact the Congregation office, 919-684-3917, for more information.

HOLIDAY SERVICE PROJECTS—• During the holidays, Meals on Wheels gives their meal recipients a gift and card. A few volunteers, three or four at a time, are needed in the afternoons from November 30 to December 11 to wrap the gifts and sign cards. Meals on Wheels will provide the wrapping paper and cards. They are located at 2522 Ross Road, Durham. Phone: 919-667-9424. Please call before going.

- •The Religious Coalition for a Non-Violent Durham will provide two days of gift wrapping at the Barnes and Noble Bookstore in New Hope Commons (5400 New Hope Commons Drive, Durham). Donations for the service of gift wrapping will support the Religious Coalition for a Non-Violent Durham. Volunteers are needed to wrap gifts on Saturday, December 5 and Tuesday, December 22. Shifts are three hours long. If you wish to serve in this way, please call the Congregation office.
- •Drivers with large capacity vehicles are needed on Monday, December 7, when Angel gifts need to be moved to Smith Warehouse near campus. Drivers are again needed on the morning of Friday, December 11, when a much larger operation moves all Duke University Angel gifts to a large vacant space at Northgate Mall. If you can assist on either day, please call Judi Vos at 919-403-0584.

YOUTH SKI TRIP—Students who are currently in 6th–12th grade are invited to participate in the Youth Ski Trip February 12–14 at Lake Junaluska Conference and Retreat Center. The weekend will feature skiing, worship, and fellowship. A non-refundable deposit of \$30 is required by December 1 and the balance of \$195 is due by January 17. For more information, please contact Adam Benson or the Congregation office.





WORDS: Liturgy of St. James, 4th cent.; trans. by Gerard Moultrie, 1864 (Jn. 6:35-58; Rev. 4) MUSIC: French carol melody; harm. from *The English Hymnal*, 1906, alt.

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718 Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending



WORDS: Charles Wesley, 1758 (Rev. 1:7)

MUSIC: Trad. English melody, 18th cent.; harm. from *The English Hymnal*, 1906

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NEXT WEEK IN WORSHIP AT DUKE CHAPEL

ADVENT—Next week will be the second Sunday of Advent.

Preacher—The preacher next Sunday morning will be the Rev. Dr. Luke A. Powery, Dean of Duke University Chapel.

Offering—Next week's offering will go towards the Chapel Development Fund.

FOR WORSHIPERS AND VISITORS

- † Prayer requests may be emailed to chapel-prayers@duke.edu.
- † Tours of Duke Chapel are suspended until the nave re-opens.
- † Hearing assistance units are available in the lobby of Page Auditorium. See the attendant if you would like to use one of our large-print bulletins for the worship service.

FOR FAMILIES AND CHILDREN

- † Children 4 and younger are invited to the nursery located in the Page box office, beginning at 10:50 a.m. each week. Capacity is limited. Parents are welcome to feed or change infants; pagers are available for parents to keep with them during worship.
- † Children's Worship BulletinsTM for ages 3-6 and 7-12, and worship bags for ages 5 and under, are available in the upstairs entryway of Page. Please return bags and clipboards at the end of 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. Please email congregation@duke.edu or call 919-684-3917 for information.

DUKE UNIVERSITY CHAPEL

Duke Chapel is a Christian church of an unusually interdenominational character, with a tradition of stirring music, preaching, and liturgy. It is also a grand building, suitable for hosting major events in the life of the University and its members; it further acts as a moderator for the diversity of religious identity and expression on campus. We welcome you to our life of worship, learning, dialogue, and service, especially during this year of the Chapel's restoration during which we will gather to worship God in different places across Duke's campuses.

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PRAYER CARD

Thank you for worshiping with us. We invite you to write a prayer request in the space below and please place it in the offering plate. It will be offered up to God in confidence by the Chapel team this week.