



Duke
UNIVERSITY
CHAPEL

Advent Lessons and Carols

December 3, 2015, Goodson Chapel
Six o'clock in the evening

≈ *Bridging Faith and Learning* ≈



This Vespers service heralds the Advent coming of Christ, both celebrating Jesus' incarnate birth, and awaiting his second coming in majesty. Through Scripture and music we will hear the promises of God echoing down the ages through the biblical prophets. These promises are fulfilled in Jesus, who is Emmanuel, God with us.

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

ORGAN PRELUDE

*CHORAL INTROIT

Oh, Do Not Move

John Tavener
(1944–2013)

Oh, do not move, listen to the gentle beginning.

—George Seferis (1900–1971)

*GREETING AND OPENING PRAYER

*CAROL

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

VENI EMMANUEL



1. O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som cap - tive Is - ra - el,
2. O come, thou Wis - dom from_ on high, who or - derest all things might - i - ly;
3. O come, O come, thou Lord_ of might, who to thy tribes on Si - nai's height
4. O come, thou Branch of Jes - se's tree, free them from Sa - tan's ty - ran - ny.
5. O come, thou Key of Da - vid come, and o - pen wide our heaven - ly home;
6. O come, thou Day spring from_ on high, and cheers us by they draw - ing night;
7. O come, De - sire of na - tions, bind in one the hearts of all_ man - kind;



that mourns in lone ly ex - ile here un - til the Son of God_ ap - pear.
to us the path of know - ledge show, and teach us in her ways_ to go.
in an - cient times didst give_ the law, in cloud and ma - jes - ty_ and awe.
that trust thy might - y power_ to save, and give them vic - tory o'er_ the grave.
make safe the way that leads_ on high, and close the path to mis - er - y.
dis - perse the gloom - y clouds_ of night, and death's dark shad ow put_ to flight.
bid thou our sad di - vi - sions cease, and be thy - self our King_ of Peace.



Re-joyce! Re-joyce! Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

*BIDDING PRAYER (*presiding minister only*)

Beloved in Christ, as we await the great festival of Christmas,
let us prepare ourselves so that we may be shown its true meaning.
Let us hear in Holy Scripture how the prophets of Israel foretold that
God would come among and redeem the Lord's waiting people.
Let us rejoice, in our carols and hymns,
that the good purpose of God is being mightily fulfilled.
Let us celebrate the promise that our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ,

will bring all who believe in him into the glory of God's eternal kingdom. The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the Gospel preached to them.

But first, let us pray for the world that God so loves, for those who have not heard the good news of the Gospel, or who do not believe; for those who walk in darkness and the shadow of death; and for the Church in this place and everywhere, that it may in pure joy lift up the light of the love of God.

These prayers and praises let us humbly offer to God, in the words that Christ himself taught us.

*THE LORD'S PRAYER (*in unison*)

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.

FIRST LESSON—Isaiah 40:1–8

To God's people in exile in a faraway land, the prophet Isaiah announces good news: God is returning and bringing the exiles home.

ANTHEM

Glory to Thee

James Whitbourn
(b. 1963)

Glory to Thee, O Lord, Glory to Thee. Heavenly King, Comforter, Spirit of Truth. Who art everywhere present and fillest all things. Treasury of all good and giver of life. Come dwell within us. Cleanse us from all unrighteousness. And of thy goodness save our souls.

—words from the Orthodox tradition

SECOND LESSON—Jeremiah 23:5–6

The prophet Jeremiah offers hope for a righteous branch in the line of David, a just King who is yet to come.

ANTHEM

Jesus Christ the Appletree

Elizabeth Poston
(1905–1987)

The tree of life my soul hath seen,
Laden with fruit, and always green,
The trees of nature fruitless be,
Compared with Christ the appletree.

His beauty doth all things excel,
By faith I know, but ne'er can tell,
The glory which I now can see,
In Jesus Christ the appletree.

For happiness I long have sought,
And pleasure I have dearly bought;
I missed of all but now I see
'Tis found in Christ the appletree.

I'm wearied with my former toil,
Here I will sit and rest awhile;
Under the shadow I will be
Of Jesus Christ the appletree.

This fruit doth make my soul to thrive,
It keeps my dying faith alive;
Which makes my soul in haste to be
With Jesus Christ the appletree.

THIRD LESSON—Zechariah 9:9–10

*Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem is prophesied, heralding
God's coming reign of justice and peace.*

*CAROL 196 (please see the hymns at the back of the bulletin)

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

HYFRYDOL

FOURTH LESSON—Isaiah 9:2–5

*The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light: Jesus, who has come
to break the powers of sin, evil, and death.*

ANTHEM

Morning Star

Arvo Pärt
(b. 1935)

Christ is the morning star,
Who when the night of this world is past,
Brings to his saints the promise of the light of life,
And opens everlasting day.

*CAROL 216 (*in the UMC Hymnbooks*)

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

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FIFTH LESSON—Isaiah 35:1–6

*The vengeance and salvation of the Lord are declared,
as the earth and God's people are redeemed.*

*CAROL 25 (please see the hymns at the back of the bulletin)

Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers

HAF TRONES LAMPA FÄRDIG

SIXTH LESSON—Luke 1:26–35, 38

*The angel Gabriel announces to the virgin Mary that she
will give birth to a ruler whose reign shall never end.*

ANTHEM

Gabriel's Message Basque Carol

arr. David Willcocks
(b. 1919)

The angel Gabriel from Heaven came,
His wings as drifted snow, his eyes as flame;
"All hail", said he, "thou lowly maiden Mary,
Most highly favoured lady," Gloria!

"For known a blessed mother thou shalt be,
All generations laud and honour thee,
Thy Son shall be Emmanuel, by seers foretold,
Most highly favoured lady," Gloria!

Then gentle Mary meekly bowed her head,
"To me be as it pleaseth God," she said,
"My soul shall laud and magnify his holy Name,"
Most highly favoured lady, Gloria!

Of her, Emmanuel, the Christ, was born
In Bethlehem, all on a Christmas morn,
And Christian folk throughout the world will ever say;
Most highly favoured lady. Gloria!

SEVENTH LESSON —Mark 1:1–15

*John the Baptist proclaims the coming of Jesus, who is anointed by his
Father to bring the good news of the Gospel.*

ANTHEM

Es ist ein Ros (variation 7 from op. 10)

Hugo Distler
(1908–1942)

*So singen wir all Amen,
das heist, nun werd es wahr,
Was wir begehren allsamen.
O Jesu, hilf uns dar
In deines Vaters Reich,
Drin wollen wir dich loben.
O Gott uns das verleih!*

So, we all sing Amen,
Which means that we jointly
Long for what will now come true.
O Jesus, help us enter into
Your Father's Kingdom,
Where we want to praise you.
O God, grant us our wish!

ADVENT PRAYER (*in unison*)

Merciful Father,

you sent your messengers the prophets

to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation.

Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins,

that we may celebrate aright the commemoration of the nativity,

and may await with joy

the coming in glory of Jesus Christ our Redeemer;

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

*BENEDICTION

*CLOSING HYMN 32 (*please see the hymns at the back of the bulletin*)

Fling Wide the Door

MACHT HOCH DIE TÜR

ORGAN POSTLUDE

**All who are able may stand.*

You are welcome to stay for the organ postlude.

Should you need to leave, please do so quietly and respectfully.

*This semester's Choral Vespers concludes on Thursday, December 10, 2015 and
will return on Thursday, January 14, 2016.*

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ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS SERVICES AND EVENTS AT DUKE CHAPEL



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.

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

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus 196

1. Come, thou long - ex - pect - ed Je - sus, born to set thy
 2. Born thy peo - ple to de - liv - er, born a child and

peo - ple free; from our fears and sins re - lease us,
 yet a King, born to reign in us for - ev - er,

let us find our rest in thee. Is - rael's strength and con - so -
 now thy gra - cious king - dom bring. By thine own e - ter - nal

la - tion, hope of all the earth thou art; dear de - sire of
 spir - it rule in all our hearts a - lone; by thine all suf -

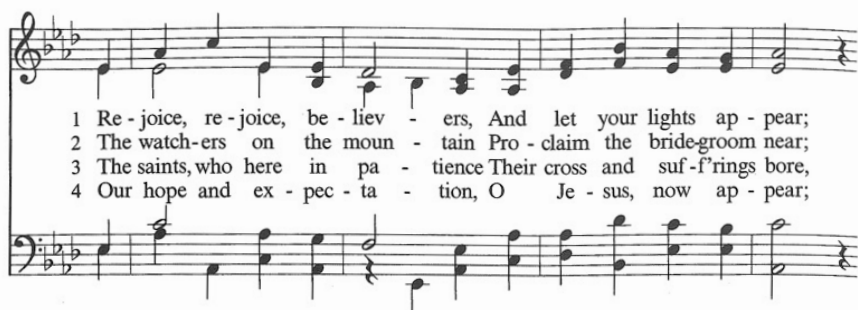
ev - ery na - tion, joy of ev - ery long - ing heart.
 fi - cient mer - it, raise us to thy glo - rious throne.

WORDS: Charles Wesley, 1744

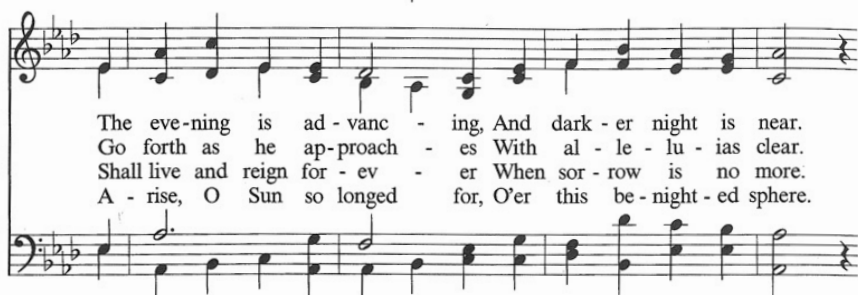
MUSIC: Rowland H. Prichard, 1830; harm. from *The English Hymnal*, 1906

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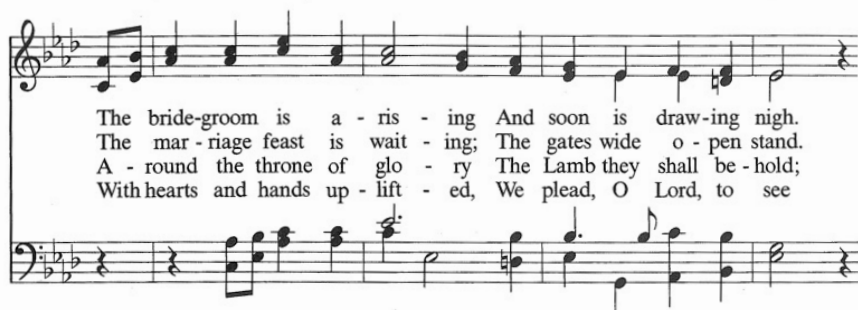
Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers



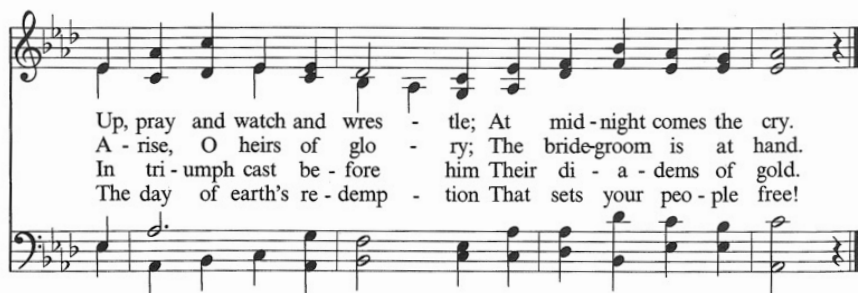
1 Re - joice, re - joice, be - liev - ers, And let your lights ap - pear;
 2 The watch - ers on the moun - tain Pro - claim the bride - groom near;
 3 The saints, who here in pa - tience Their cross and suf - f' rings bore,
 4 Our hope and ex - pec - ta - tion, O Je - sus, now ap - pear;



The eve - ning is ad - vanc - ing, And dark - er night is near.
 Go forth as he ap - proach - es With al - le - lu - ias clear.
 Shall live and reign for - ev - er When sor - row is no more.
 A - rise, O Sun so longed for, O'er this be - night - ed sphere.



The bride - groom is a - ris - ing And soon is draw - ing nigh.
 The mar - riage feast is wait - ing; The gates wide o - pen stand.
 A - round the throne of glo - ry The Lamb they shall be - hold;
 With hearts and hands up - lift - ed, We plead, O Lord, to see



Up, pray and watch and wres - tle; At mid - night comes the cry.
 A - rise, O heirs of glo - ry; The bride - groom is at hand.
 In tri - umph cast be - fore him Their di - a - dems of gold.
 The day of earth's re - demp - tion That sets your peo - ple free!

Text: Laurentius Laurentii, 1660-1722; tr. Sarah B. Findlater, 1823-1907, alt.
 Tune: Swedish folk tune

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Fling Wide the Door

F Dm C Bb F

1 Fling wide the door, un - bar the gate; The King of glo - ry
 2 He is the rock of our be - lief, The heart of mer - cy's
 3 Oh, hap - py towns and bless - ed lands That live by their true
 4 Come, Lord, our Sav - ior, Je - sus Christ; Our hearts are o - pen

C F C F Am F G C

comes in state; The Lord of lords and King of kings, The
 gen - tle self. His king - ly crown is ho - li - ness; His
 king's com - mands. And bless - ed be the hearts he rules, The
 wide in trust. Oh, show us now your love - ly grace, Up -

F C F Am F G C Bb

Sav - ior of the world who brings His great sal - va - tion
 scep - ter is his love - li - ness; He brings our sor - rows
 hum - ble plac - es where he dwells. He is the right - ful
 on our sor - rows shine your face, And let your Ho - ly

F Dm Bb F

to the earth. So raise a shout of ho - ly mirth And
 to an end. Now glad - ly praise our king and friend, And
 Son of bliss Who fills our lives and makes us his, Cre -
 Spir - it guide Our jour - ney in your grace so wide. We

Dm Gm C Gm C F
 praise our God and Lord, Cre - a - tor, Spir - it, Word.
 wor - ship him with song For sav - ing us from wrong.
 a - tor of the world, Our on - ly strength for good.
 praise your ho - ly name, From age to age the same!

© Text: Georg Weissel, 1590-1635; tr. Gracia Grindal, b. 1943
 Tune: J. A. Freylinghausen, Geistreiches Gesang-Buch, 1704

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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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