



Duke  
UNIVERSITY  
CHAPEL

# Service of Worship

Fourth Sunday of Advent  
December 20, 2015, Page Auditorium  
Eleven o'clock in the morning

✻ *Bridging Faith and Learning* ✻

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*"The Visitation," stained glass window at the Church of Reconciliation,  
by Brother Eric, Taizé, France*

On this fourth Sunday of Advent we celebrate the visitation of Mary to her relative Elizabeth. Elizabeth herself has miraculously conceived in her old age, and the child who will become John the Baptist leaps for joy in her womb. The child and his mother celebrate that Mary, though a virgin, has conceived Jesus, who will be the Savior of the world. The prophet Micah prophesied this miracle centuries before, declaring that the great ruler of God's people would be born in humble Bethlehem. Mary rejoices at the favor the Lord has shown her, as she sings praise to God in the song now known as the Magnificat. The faithfulness of God is proclaimed, the One who has come as the incarnate Christ-child to save and redeem us.

*At the close of today's service, the Lord's Supper will be celebrated in Page Auditorium by the seats at the front left of the stage, in front of the organ. Immediately following Communion, a service of prayer for healing will be held in the same location. The service consists of prayers for healing and wholeness with anointing and laying on of hands. All are invited.*

*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

Six Christmas Carols

arr. Rob Roy McGregor  
(b. 1943)

God Rest Ye Merry, Gentleman  
Greensleeves  
Once in Royal David's City  
We Three Kings  
O Tannenbaum  
Angels We Have Heard on High

### GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 184 (*Please see hymns at back of bulletin.*)

Of the Father's Love Begotten

DIVINUM MYSTERIUM

\*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*)

**God our redeemer, as you prepared humble Mary to be the mother of your Son, so prepare our hearts to receive your word now; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON—Micah 5:2–5a

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

Wassail Song, from *5 English Folk Songs*

Ralph Vaughan Williams  
(1872–1958)

arr. Lawrence Eden

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON—Hebrews 10:5–10

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

\*GOSPEL LESSON—Luke 1:24–25, 39–56

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON—What to Expect When You Are Expecting

RESPONSE

\*RESPONSE HYMN 251

My Soul Proclaims Your Greatness

KINGSFOLD

\*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.")*

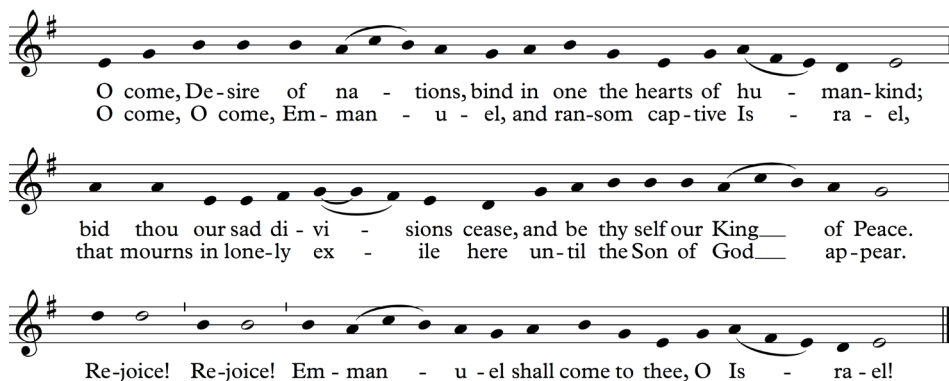
OFFERTORY ANTHEM

The Wexford Carol

arr. J.A.C. Redford  
(b. 1953)

\*DOXOLOGY

VENI EMMANUEL



O come, De-sire of na - tions, bind in one the hearts of hu - man-kind;  
O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran-som cap-tive Is - ra - el,  
bid thou our sad di - vi - sions cease, and be thy self our King of Peace.  
that mourns in lone-ly ex - ile here un-til the Son of God ap-pear.  
Re-joice! Re-joice! Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

THANKSGIVING

\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

\*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.

SENDING FORTH

\*BENEDICTION

\*CLOSING PROCESSIONAL HYMN 202

People, Look East

BESANÇON

POSTLUDE

Ave Maris Stella, Op. 18, No. 9

Marcel Dupré  
(1886–1971)

*\*All who are able may stand.*

## PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK

*This morning we give thanks for the Duke University Department of Political Science. We celebrate its dedication to training students to be citizens of local and global communities through their passion for service and justice.*

*In Durham, we remember those who volunteer within the community and those who seek to build relationships across boundaries.*

## MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Presiding Ministers	The Rev. Dr. Luke Powery The Rev. Dr. Carol Gregg
Preacher	Dr. Christy Lohr Sapp
Lectors	Ms. Tamela Davis <i>Member of the Congregation at Duke Chapel</i> Mr. Jack McCallus <i>Member of the Congregation at Duke Chapel</i>
Chapel Organist	Mr. Christopher Jacobson
Guest Musicians	Amalgam Brass
Presiding Minister over Post-Service Communion	The Rev. Dr. Carol Gregg
Head Ushers	Dr. James Ferguson and Mr. Rick Wilfong



## ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS SERVICES AND EVENTS AT DUKE CHAPEL



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

• **2:00 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.

• **11:00 p.m. Lessons and Carols:** Our traditional Lessons and Carols, with full musical and choral accompaniment.

**CHRISTMAS DAY**—There will be a special playing of Christmas Carillon music from the Chapel belltower from 4–5:00 p.m.

## CHAPEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**TODAY'S FLOWERS**—The red poinsettias that adorn the stage are made possible by the Elizabeth Lucina Gotham Memorial Endowment, established by Dr. and Mrs. James H. Semans in loving memory of Elizabeth Gotham. The wreaths on both sides 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.

**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 through study, artistic expression, counsel, service, and Christian community.

**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*.

**TODAY'S BACKGROUND IMAGE**—The backdrop depicts the Nativity shepherds and wise men from stained glass windows in Duke University Chapel.

### WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES EACH WEEK AT DUKE CHAPEL

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

**ONLINE MID-WEEK PRAYER**—Resumes Wednesday, January 6, at noon via [periscope.tv/dukechapel](http://periscope.tv/dukechapel)

**CHORAL VESPERS**—Resumes Thursday, January 14, at 6 p.m. in Goodson Chapel

#### FOR WORSHIPERS AND VISITORS

† Prayer requests may be emailed to [chapel-prayers@duke.edu](mailto: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 Bulletins™ 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](mailto:congregation@duke.edu) or call 919-684-3917 for information.*



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*The following Congregation opportunities are open to all.*

**SUNDAY CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES**—Starting January 3, Sunday morning classes will resume 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:** For all adults in 0012 Westbrook.

**ADULT FORUM**—Next Sunday, December 27, Brian Stratton will offer the conclusion to the the Advent Bible Study, focusing on Epiphany. The study will be held in 0015 Westbrook; youth and adults are welcome to attend.

**HOLIDAY RECESS**—There will be no Sunday morning classes for children and youth on December 27. All classes will resume on January 3.

**ALTERNATIVE GIFT MARKET**—Consider giving carpentry tools, a goat, or banana seed bulbs as a Christmas gift this year. After worship today you may make a donation to ZOE ministry in honor of your loved ones. ZOE is an empowerment ministry which enables orphans to move from dire poverty to self-sufficiency in three years. ZOE now works in several African countries as well as India and Guatemala. Your gifts to ZOE will help children form family groups and start a business to sustain themselves. Please stop by the table in the lobby of Page Auditorium for more information.

**YOUTH CHRISTMAS PARTY**—Middle and high school students are invited to the annual Youth Christmas party at the Dennehey home today at 5:00 p.m. Students may wear a tacky Christmas sweater, and bring a \$5-10 gift if they would like to participate in the Secret Santa gift exchange. This will be Adam Benson's last Sunday with the youth as Interim Youth Pastor. Please contact Adam Benson, [adambenson87@gmail.com](mailto:adambenson87@gmail.com), for additional information.

**SERVICE PROJECT FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS**—College students on break are needed for an afternoon of service at Genesis Home, a residence for homeless families. On Tuesday, December 22, from 1:30– 4:30 p.m., volunteers are needed help empty an office and storage area by moving contents to a storage unit. Please bring work gloves and wear closed-toe shoes. Genesis Home is located at 300 North Queen Street, Durham. To prepare for the work, students will meet at the Old Havana Sandwich Shop, 310 E. Main St., Durham, at noon for lunch. Please contact Carol Gregg ([carol.gregg@duke.edu](mailto:carol.gregg@duke.edu)), or the Congregation office ([congregation@duke.edu](mailto:congregation@duke.edu)) if you plan to attend.

**NEW ASSISTANT PASTOR**—The Congregation is deeply grateful to Mr. Adam Benson for his service as the Congregation's part-time interim youth minister. His thoughtful leadership of the students since August 2015 has been a blessing. Beginning in January, Mr. Andrew Phillips will join the Congregation as Assistant Pastor on a part-time basis, focusing his efforts on youth ministry. In July 2016, Andrew's position will become full-time.

# Of the Father's Love Begotten

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Unison

1. Of the Fa-ther's love be-got-ten, ere the worlds be-gan to be,  
 2. O ye heights of heaven, a-dore him; an-gel hosts, his prais-es sing;  
 3. Christ, to thee with God the Fa-ther, and, O Ho-ly Ghost, to thee,

he is Al-pha and O-me-ga, he the source, the end-ing he  
 powers, do-min-ions, bow be-fore him, and ex-tol our God and King;  
 hymn and chant and high thanks-giv-ing, and un-wea-ried prais-es be:

of the things that are, that have been and that fu-ture years shall see,  
 let no tongue on earth be si-lent, ev-ery voice in con-cert ring,  
 hon-or, glo-ry and do-min-ion, and e-ter-nal vic-to-ry,

ev-er-more and ev-er-more.  
 ev-er-more and ev-er-more.  
 ev-er-more and ev-er-more. A-men.

WORDS: Aurelius Clemens Prudentius; trans. by John Mason Neale, 1851 and Henry W. Baker, 1859

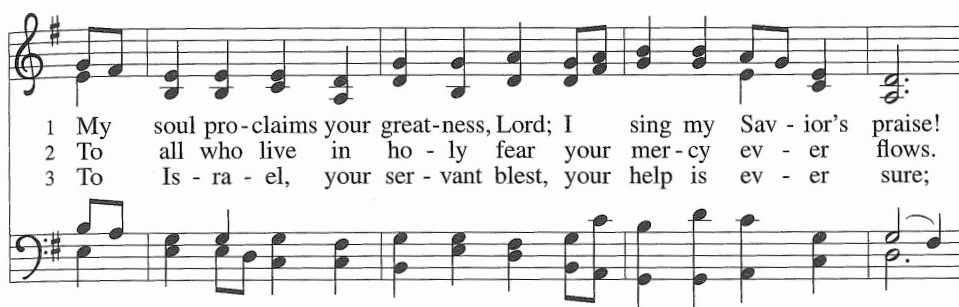
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MUSIC: 11th cent. *Sanctus* trope; arr. by C. Winfred Douglas, 1940

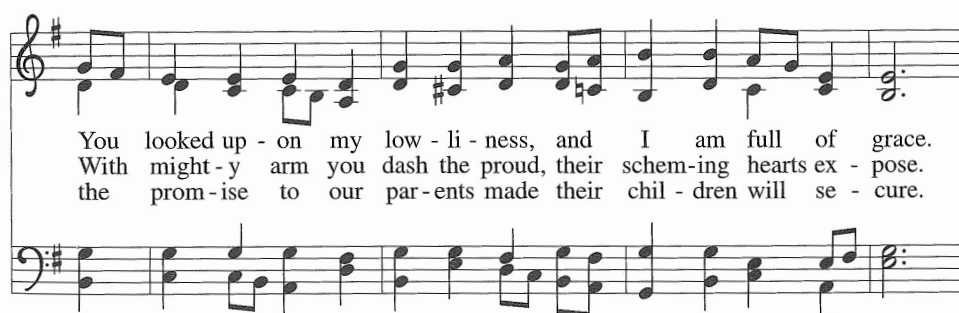
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# My Soul Proclaims Your Greatness

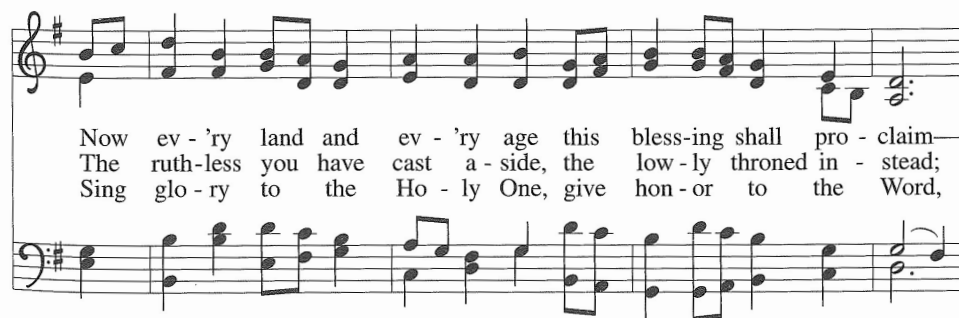
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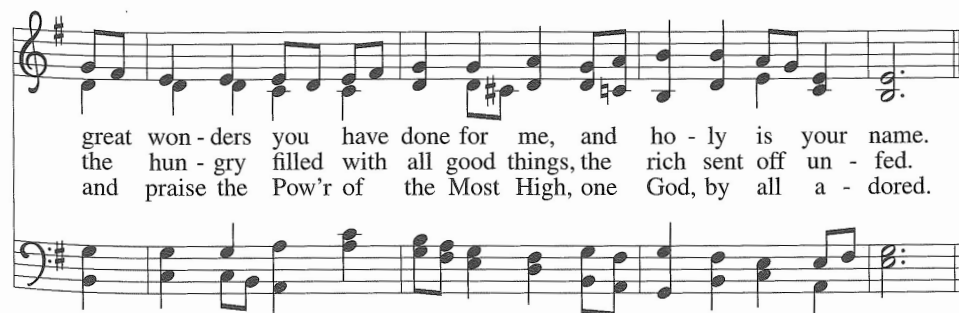
1 My soul pro-claims your great-ness, Lord; I sing my Sav-ior's praise!  
 2 To all who live in ho-ly fear your mer-cy ev-er flows.  
 3 To Is-ra-el, your ser-vant blest, your help is ev-er sure;



You looked up-on my low-li-ness, and I am full of grace.  
 With might-y arm you dash the proud, their schem-ing hearts ex-pose.  
 the prom-ise to our par-ents made their chil-dren will se-cure.



Now ev-'ry land and ev-'ry age this bless-ing shall pro-claim—  
 The ruth-less you have cast a-side, the low-ly throned in- stead;  
 Sing glo-ry to the Ho-ly One, give hon-or to the Word,



great won-ders you have done for me, and ho-ly is your name.  
 the hun-gry filled with all good things, the rich sent off un-fed.  
 and praise the Pow'r of the Most High, one God, by all a-dored.

1. Peo-ple, look east. The time is near of the crown-ing of the  
 2. Fur-rows, be glad. Though earth is bare, one more seed is plant-ed  
 3. Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim, one more light the bowl shall  
 4. An-gels an-nounce with shouts of mirth him who brings new life to

year. Make your house fair as you are a - ble, trim the  
 there. Give up your strength the seed to nour - ish, that in  
 brim, shin - ing be - yond the frost - y weath - er, bright as  
 earth. Set ev - ery peak and val - ley hum - ming with the

People, look east and sing to - day:  
 hearth and set the ta - ble. People, look east:  
 course the flower may flour-ish.  
 sun and moon to - geth - er.  
 word, the Lord is com-ing. People, look east:

Love, the Guest, is on the way.  
 Love, the Rose, is on the way.  
 Love, the Star, is on the way.  
 Love, the Lord, is on the way.

WORDS: Eleanor Farjeon, 1928

MUSIC: Trad. French carol; harm. by Martin Shaw, 1928

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## DOXOLOGY IN ADVENT: O COME, O COME EMMANUEL

There are seven great Advent prayers (Antiphons) that have been prayed since the 7<sup>th</sup> 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.

## NEXT WEEK IN WORSHIP AT DUKE CHAPEL

**GUEST MUSICIANS**—Next week will be the first Sunday of Christmas, and we will be welcoming Amalgam Brass.

**PREACHER**—The preacher next Sunday morning will be the Rev. Dr. Carol Gregg, Pastor to the Congregation at Duke Chapel.

**OFFERING**—Next week’s offering will go towards a non-profit organization in the local area.

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.