

Service of Worship

Second Sunday after Epiphany Martin Luther King Jr., Sunday January 15, 2017 Eleven o'clock in the morning

> Bridging Faith and Learning ≤



Agnus Dei Mosaic in the Basilica di S. Vitale, Ravenna, Italy, c. 521

In this morning's Scripture readings see that the entire Christian life is a testimony to God's love, truth, and grace. In John's Gospel, John the Baptist has the courage to tell the truth about Jesus, confessing him to be the Lamb and only Son of God. The psalmist declares the greatness of God, and of how the Lord has rescued him from the desolate pit. The apostle Paul also declares the truth about Christ to the Corinthians, so that their and our faith in Jesus may be strengthened. Today we also remember and honor the witness of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. who proclaimed unpopular truths about God's justice.

The congregation is invited to reflect silently during the prelude as a time of prayer and meditation. The Chapel welcomes families with children. If at any time during the service your child needs a place for active play, please know there is a nursery in the Chapel basement.

GATHERING

CARILLON

Prelude

"The peace may be exchanged." (from *Rubrics*)

"Swing Low" (from *A Spiritual Pair*)

Dan Locklair
(b. 1949)

CHORAL INTROIT

From the Rising of the Sun

F. A. Gore Ouseley (1825–1889)

From the rising of the sun unto the going down of the same my name shall be great among the Gentiles; and in every place incense shall be offered up unto my name; for my name shall be great among the heathen, thus saith the Lord.

-Malachi 1:11

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rose Procession

*Processional Hymn 579 (found in the hymnals located in the pew racks)

Lord God, Your Love Has Called Us Here

CAREY'S (SURREY)

*Prayer of Confession and Words of Assurance

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)

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace and in the hearing of your holy word; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. OLD TESTAMENT LESSON—Psalm 40:1–11 (OT page 486)

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

None Other Lamb

Jane M. Marshall (b. 1924)

None other Lamb, none other Name, none other Hope in heaven or earth or sea, none other Hiding Place from guilt and shame, none beside Thee. My faith burns low, my hope burns low; only my heart's desire cries out in me, by the deep thunder of its want and woe, cries out to Thee. Lord, Thou art Life, though I be dead; Love's Fire Thou art, however cold I be; nor heaven have I, nor place to lay my head, nor home, but Thee.

—Christina Rossetti

New Testament Lesson—1 Corinthians 1:1–9 (NT page 155)

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*Gradual Hymn 474 (stanza 1)

Precious Lord, Take My Hand (All turn to face the Gospel Procession.)

PRECIOUS LORD

*Gospel Lesson—John 1:29–42 (NT pages 86–7)

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*Gradual Hymn 474 (stanzas 2–3) Precious Lord, Take My Hand

PRECIOUS LORD

SERMON—John Told the Truth. So Can We.

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.

Prayer Litany for Martin Luther King, Jr. Sunday (Congregation response in bold)

We remember the conviction of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. that "freedom is never voluntarily given by the oppressor; it must be demanded by the oppressed."

Lord, give courage and determination to those who are oppressed.

We remember Dr. King's warning that "a negative peace which is the absence of tension" is less than "a positive peace which is the presence of justice."

Lord, help those who work for peace in our world to cry out first for justice.

We remember Dr. King's insight that "injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere. We are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality tied in a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly affects all indirectly."

Lord, allow us to see nothing in isolation, but know ourselves bound to one another and to all people under heaven.

We remember Dr. King's lament that "the contemporary church is often a weak, ineffectual voice with an uncertain sound. It is so often the arch-supporter of the status quo. Far from being disturbed by the presence of the church, the power structure of the average community is consoled by the church's silent and often vocal sanction of things as they are."

Lord, we pray that neither this congregation nor any church may be silent in the face of wrong, but that we may be disturbers of the status quo when that is your call to us.

We remember Dr. King's hope that "dark clouds of racial prejudice will soon pass away and the deep fog of misunderstanding will be lifted from our fear-drenched communities and in some not-too-distant tomorrow the radiant stars of love and brotherhood will shine over our great nation with all their scintillating beauty."

In faith, Lord, we commend ourselves and our work for justice to your goodness, almighty God. Amen

—Modified from the RCA

OFFERTORY ANTHEM
Followers of the Lamb

Shaker song arr. Philip R. Dietterich

O brethren ain't you happy, ye followers of the Lamb.

Refrain: Sing on, dance on, followers of Emmanuel, Sing on, dance on, ye followers of the Lamb.

O sisters ain't you happy...

O I'm glad I am a Christian...

O I mean to be obedient....

*Doxology Lasst uns erfreuen

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

SENDING FORTH

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*THE LORD'S PRAYER

(All are encouraged to pray the Lord's Prayer in the language of their choosing. The English version is number 895 in the hymnal.)

*Benediction

*Closing Processional Hymn 548 In Christ There Is No East or West

MCKEE

*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

Prelude in G Minor

Johannes Brahms (1833–1897)

CARILLON

*All who are able may stand.

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CHAPEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rose Procession—This morning's rose procession honors Ms. Savannah Goodman, Trinity '18, who died on December 19, 2016.

Today's Flowers—Flowers for today's worship service are given by the Elizabeth Lucina Gotham Memorial Endowment, established by Dr. and Mrs. James H. Semans to the glory of God and in loving memory of Elizabeth Gotham.

TODAY'S OFFERING—All of today's cash offerings and undesignated checks will be used to support human service organizations in the greater Durham area. These nonprofit organizations are identified to receive funds by a panel of Congregation members, Friends of Duke Chapel, and students. The grantmaking process not only benefits people in need but also seeks to introduce students to faithful stewardship and community development.

Today's Guest Preacher—Today we are pleased to welcome the Rev. Dr. Richard Lischer as a Sterly and Pelham Wilder, Jr., Distinguished Guest Preacher. Rev. Dr. Lischer is the James T. and Alice Mead Cleland Professor Emeritus of Preaching at Duke Divinity School and a frequent preacher in Duke Chapel. This semester he serves as Visiting Professor at Princeton Theological Seminary in Princeton, NJ. He is the author of *The Preacher King: Martin Luther King, Jr. and the Word that Moved America*. His most recent book, *Reading the Parables*, was named one of the Top 10 books for parish ministry in 2015 by the Academy of Parish Clergy. He is an ordained pastor in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, and he holds a Ph.D. in Theology from the University of London.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Events—At 3:00 p.m. this afternoon, the Chapel will host a King commemoration ceremony that features a keynote address by Phil Freelon, architect of record and design team leader of the Smithsonian's National Museum of African American History & Culture.



This year there will be a diverse program of music as part of the Chapel's Year of Celebration. These are the upcoming events:

Saturday, January 21, 3:00 p.m.—Bach Cantata Series:

Coffee Cantata

at Fullsteam Brewery, Durham

Sunday, January 29, 5:00 p.m.—Organ Recital Series: with Dr. Thomas Murray, Professor of Music and University Organist at Yale Music School



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The following Congregation opportunities are open to all.

Christian Education Classes—Classes for all are offered every Sunday at 9:45 a.m. and will conclude in time for worship. All classes are held in the lowest level of the Westbrook (WB) building with refreshments and fellowship beginning at 9:30 a.m. Classes are: Wee Praise: For ages 0–3 with parents or caregivers in 0011 WB. Godly Play: For ages 4 through 5th graders in 0050 Langford. Youth Sunday School: For youth in 6th–12th grade in 0013 WB. Corinthians Bible Study: For adults in 0015 WB. Adult Forum: On January 22, The Rev. Dr. Carol Gregg will offer a

January Back Pew Collection—The collection will support the Durham Crisis Response Center, which works to end domestic and sexual violence. DCRC needs pantry items such as non-perishable food, toilet paper, paper towels, cleaning supplies, and laundry supplies. Please bring pantry items for collection from the back pew today, or Sunday, January 22.

discussion on The Sacraments: Baptism in 0012 Westbrook.

Saturday Service Project—Volunteers are needed on Saturday, January 21, from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. to assist the Durham Crisis Response Center with cleaning and organizing at their shelter. Please contact Denise Noble, at denise.noble@duke.edu or the Congregation office, if you plan to attend.

Young Adult Game Night—Adults in their 20's and 30's are invited to a game night on January 27 from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the home of Sarah Barton and Andrew Phillips. Participants should bring a board or card game and an appetizer or a dessert to share; hosts will provide the drinks. For more information about events for young adults, please contact Andrew Phillips at andrew.phillips@duke.edu or 919-259-4681.

Valentine Making—The Women's Ministry is hosting a Valentine mission project on Saturday, January 28, from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. Participants will make cards for the Congregation's homebound members as well as recipients of Meals on Wheels. There will be both a room for kid-safe projects and one for adults who need a quiet space while designing. Supplies and ideas will be provided as well as breakfast treats. Please RSVP to Kate DeAlmedia at thedealmeidas@aol.com or 919-225-8285.

The End of the World—A half-day winter retreat, addressing the question of "Does Apocalyptic Thought Tell Us About the End of the World?", will be led by Dr. James Efird, professor emeritus of Duke Divinity School. The retreat will be held on Saturday, February 11 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Pilgrim United Church of Christ, Durham. The fee of \$10 covers the cost of a catered lunch. All youth and adults are welcome to attend. Please register by contacting the Congregation office by February 6.

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NEXT WEEK IN WORSHIP AT DUKE CHAPEL

Preacher—Our preacher will be the Rev. Dr. Luke A. Powery, Dean of Duke Chapel.

Offering—Next week's offering will go to our Mission of the Month: Habitat for Humanity.