Today we celebrate Epiphany, which falls on January 6 and is the climax of the Christmas season and the twelve days of Christmas. The term *epiphany* is Greek and means “to manifest” or “to show.” Today’s lesson from Isaiah foretells the light of Christ that will arise over all nations. In Matthew, the wise men also follow a light—a star that guides them to the Christ child, revealing to the world that this small infant is Lord and King. In John’s Prologue, it is also revealed that Jesus is the eternal Word of God, the Word that is spoken into the darkness of this world, and the light that the darkness cannot overcome.
During the prelude the congregation is asked to remain prayerfully or meditatively silent.

**GATHERING**

**PRELUDE**

- It Came Upon the Midnight Clear
  - Richard Willis (1819–1900)
  - arr. Ann Cameron Pearce

- Silent Night
  - Franz Gruber (1787–1863)
  - arr. Ann Cameron Pearce

- Christmas Medley
  - Traditional
  - arr. David Taubner

- Christmas Images
  - Terry Herald (b. 1952)
  - arr. Ervin Monroe

**GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Processional Hymn 254 (Please see hymns at back of bulletin.)

We Three Kings

KINGS OF ORIENT

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

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways to the glory of your name. Amen.

The minister speaks words of assurance.
*Peace
(All exchange signs and words of God’s peace.)

PROCLAMATION

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (in unison)
Holy Father, Creator of the heavens, who led the magi by a star to worship the Christ Child: lead us today as we hear your word; guide and sustain us, that we may find our journey’s end in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON—Isaiah 60:1–6
Lector: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL LESSONS—Matthew 2:1–12 and John 1:1–18
Lector: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON—This I Believe

RESPONSE

*RESPONSE HYMN 237
Sing We Now of Christmas

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
Still, Still, Still
Austrian Carol
arr. Ann Cameron Pearce

*DOXOLOGY
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, Alleluia, Alleluia.

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
People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.
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 far-right. 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.

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MUSIC DURING DISTRIBUTION

HYMN 229
Infant Holy, Infant Lowly

COMMUNION ANTHEM
We Three Kings of Orient Are

SENDING FORTH

*POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

*BENEDICTION

*CLOSING PROCESSIONAL HYMN 248
On This Day Earth Shall Ring

POSTLUDE
Allegro con fuoco

*All who are able may stand.

PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK

This morning we give thanks for the Office of Information Technology. We celebrate the essential role it plays in managing Duke’s collaborative and administratire IT services and in encouraging the campus to explore new ways to use technology for teaching, learning, and research.

In Durham, we remember those who are victims of homicide and the families, friends, and neighborhoods touched by these deaths.

MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Presiding Ministers
The Rev. Bruce Puckett
Mr. Jack Adams

Preacher
The Rev. Dr. Carol Gregg

Lectors
Ms. Deborah Hackney
Member of the Congregation at Duke Chapel

The Rev. Christopher Ross
Member of the Congregation at Duke Chapel

Guest Organist
Ms. Jane Lynch

Guest Musicians
Raleigh Flute Choir

Minister of Anointing
Mr. Jack Adams

Head Ushers
Dr. James Ferguson and Mr. Rick Wilfong
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 for the Chapel Development Fund. The Chapel’s current focus is to upgrade the Chapel cameras and video capabilities to digital and high definition in order to better serve the thousands of worshipers locally, in Duke Hospital, and around the globe who tune in weekly.

Guest Musicians—This morning we welcome the Raleigh Flute Choir. The choir is a chamber ensemble of professional flutists from central North Carolina, was founded in 1986 and has distinguished itself as one of the nation’s leading flute choirs. Utilizing all members of the flute family, the ensemble seeks to entertain and educate by performing transcriptions and original works from the Renaissance to the present. Appearing in a variety of venues, past highlights include concerts at North Carolina Museum of Art, Biltmore Estate, Colonial Williamsburg, Piccolo Spoleto, and The White House.

Worship Opportunities Each Week at Duke Chapel

Choral Evensong—Resumes Sunday, January 10, at 4 p.m. in Goodson Chapel

Online Mid-Week Prayer—Resumes Wednesday, January 6, at noon via 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.
† 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 or call 919-684-3917 for information.
We Three Kings

1. We three kings of O - ri - ent are; bearing gifts we tra - verse a - far, field and foun - tain, moor and moun - tain, fol - low - ing yon - der star.
2. Born a King on Beth - le - hem's plain, gold I bring to crown him a - gain, King for - ev - er, ceas - ing nev - er, o - ver us all to reign. west - ward lead - ing, still pro - ceed - ing, guide us to thy per - fect light.
3. Frank - in - cense to of - fer have I; in - cense owns a De - i - ty nigh; prayer and prais - ing, voices rais - ing, worship - ing God on high. west - ward lead - ing, still pro - ceed - ing, guide us to thy per - fect light.
4. Myrrh is mine; its bit - ter per - fume breathes a life of gath - er - ing gloom; sor - rowing, sigh - ing, bleeding, dy - ing, sealed in the stone - cold tomb. Alle - lu - ia, sounds through the earth and skies.
5. Glo - rious now be - hold him a - rise; King and Refrain

WORDS: John H. Hopkins, Jr., 1857 (Mt. 2:1-12) KINGS OF ORIENT
MUSIC: John H. Hopkins, Jr., 1857
88.446 with Refrain
Sing We Now of Christmas

1. Sing we now of Christ-mas, No-el, sing we here!
2. An-gels called to shep-herds, “Leave your flocks at rest,
3. In Beth-le-hem they found him; Jo-seph and Ma-ry mild,
4. From the east-ern coun-try came the kings a-far,
5. Gold and myrrh they took there, gifts of great-est price;

Hear our grate-ful prais-es to the babe so dear.
jour-ney forth to Beth-lehem, find the child so blest.”
seat-ed by the man-ger, watch-ing the ho-ly child.
bear-ing gifts to Beth-lehem, guid-ed by a star.
there was never a sta-ble so like par-a-dise.

Refrain

Sing we No-el, the King is born, No-el!

Sing we now of Christ-mas, sing we now No-el!

WORDS: Trad. French carol (Lk. 2:8-20; Mt. 2:1-12) 
MUSIC: Trad. French carol; harm. by Martin Shaw, 1928 
Harm. by permission of Oxford University Press
Infant Holy, Infant Lowly

1. Infant holy, infant lowly, for his bed a cattle stall; oxen lowing, little knowing, Christ the babe is Lord of all. Swift are winging angels singing, noels ringing, tidings true. Thus rejoicing, free from sorrow, praises voicing, greet the bringing: Christ the babe is Lord of all.

2. Flocks were sleeping, shepherds keeping vigil till the morning new saw the glory, heard the story, tidings of a gospel.

WORDS: Polish carol; trans. by Edith M. G. Reed, 1925 (Lk. 2:6-20) 
MUSIC: Polish carol; arr. by Edith M. G. Reed, 1926

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On This Day Earth Shall Ring

1. On this day earth shall ring
with the song children sing

2. His the doom, ours the mirth;
when he came down to earth,

3. God’s bright star, o’er his head,
Wise Men three to him led;

4. On this day angels sing;
with their song earth shall ring,

Bethlehem saw his birth;
by his bed, kneel they low

praising Christ, heav’en’s King,
born on earth to lay their gifts before

born on earth to the Lord,

Christ our King, ox and ass before

WORDS: Piae Cantiones, 1582; trans. by Jane M. Joseph (Lk. 2:6-14; Mt. 2:1-12)
MUSIC: Melody from Piae Cantiones, 1582; arr. by Gustav Holst, 1925
PERSONENT HODIE
666.66 with Refrain
save us;  him the Fa - ther gave us.
side him from the cold would hide him.
fore him, praise him and a - dore him.
save us;  peace and love he gave us.

Refrain

*Id - e - o - o - o,  id - e - o - o - o,

id - e o glo - ri - a in ex - cel - sis De - o!

*therefore
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.