Lent is a season that reflects the tension between faith and frailty, hope and doubt. The second piece in the “Membra Jesu nostri” series (pictured above) is entitled “To the Knees.” Christ’s knees represent his human nature, both as he knelt in prayer and as he trembled under the weight of humanity’s sin on the Cross. The lessons today encourage us toward faith and hope through repentance and a turning toward God.
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

Kyrie: Gott Vater in Ewigheit, BWV 669  
John Sebastian Bach  
(1685–1750)

Introit

Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee  
John B. Dykes  
arr. Daniel E. Gawthrop  
(b. 1949)

Jesus, the very thought of thee with sweetness fills my breast;  
But sweeter far thy face to see, and in thy presence rest.

Nor voice can sing, nor heart can frame, nor can the memory find  
A sweeter sound than thy blest name, O Savior of mankind!

O hope of every contrite heart, O joy of all the meek,  
To those who fall, how kind thou art!  How good to those who seek!

Jesus, our only joy be thou, as thou our prize will be;  
Jesus, be thou our glory now, and through eternity.

—Bernard of Clairvaux, trans. Edward Caswall

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Processional Hymn 188 (Please see hymns at back of bulletin.)  
Christ Is the World’s Light  
CHRISTE SANCTORUM

*Prayer of Confession and Words of Assurance

God of mercy, you sent Jesus Christ to seek and save the lost.  
We confess that we have strayed from you and turned aside from your way.  
We are misled by pride, for we see ourselves pure when we are stained, and great when we are small.  
We have failed in love, neglected justice, and ignored your truth.  
Have mercy, O God, and forgive our sin.  
Return us to paths of righteousness through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

The minister speaks words of assurance.

*Peace

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

Prayer for Illumination (in unison)

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to us, for we have gone astray from your ways. Bring us again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson—Genesis 15:1–12,17–18

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

The Lord is My Light

Fred Gramann
(b. 1950)

The Lord is my light and salvation. Whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life. Teach me thy way, O Lord, lead me on a level path because of my enemies. May I dwell in the house of the Lord for all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord. I believe that I shall see the beauty of the Lord in the land of the living.

New Testament Lesson—Philippians 3:17–4:1

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.


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People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon—The Worst Thing We Can Say

Response

Response Hymn 115

How Like a Gentle Spirit

Text by C. Eric Lincoln

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
When Morning Gilds the Skies
Alfred Whitehead (1887–1974)

When morning gilds the skies, my heart awaking cries, may Jesus Christ
be praised. Alike at work and prayer, to Jesus I repair, may Jesus Christ be
praised.

When e’er the sweet church bell peals over hill and dell. O hard to what it
sings, as joyously it rings, may Jesus Christ be praised.

When sleep her balm denies, my silent spirit sighs. When evil thoughts
molest, with this I shield my breast, may Jesus Christ be praised.

Does sadness fill my mind? A solace here I find. Or fades my earthly bliss?
My comfort still is this, may Jesus Christ be praised.

In heaven’s eternal bliss, the loveliest strain is this. To God, the word on
high, the hosts of angels cry, may Jesus Christ be praised.

Let air and sea and sky from depth to height reply. Be this the eternal song,
through all the ages long, may Jesus Christ be praised, may Jesus Christ be
praised. Amen.

—Katholisches Gesangbuch (ca.1744) trans. Edward Caswall

*DOXOLOGY
OLD HUNDREDTH
Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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 PROCESIONAL HYMN

O Love How Deep

DEUS TUORUM MILITUM

* 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

Kyrie: Gott heiliger Geist, BWV 671

J.S. Bach

*All who are able may stand.*

**MINISTRY OF WORSHIP**

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**PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK**

*This morning we give thanks for the Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies. We celebrate its emphasis on interdisciplinary study on the art, music, philosophy, and literature that span several hundred years of Western history.*

*In Durham, we remember those who are unemployed, underemployed, and on low income, and we give thanks to employers who seek to offer a living wage.*


**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.

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**NO FLOWERS IN LENT**—Flowers (and Alleluias!) are removed from the liturgy during Lent; both will return with a burst of joy on Easter Day.

**TODAY’S OFFERING**—All of today’s cash offerings and undesignated checks will be used to support non-profit organizations in the local area.

**TODAY’S GUEST PREACHER**—Barbara Brown Taylor is a New York Times best-selling author, professor, and Episcopal priest. Her first memoir, *Leaving Church*, won a 2006 Author of the Year award from the Georgia Writers Association. Her last book, *Learning to Walk in the Dark*, was featured in TIME magazine. She has served on the faculty of Piedmont College since 1998 as the Butman Professor of Religion & Philosophy and has been a guest lecturer at Emory, Duke, Princeton, and Yale. Taylor and her husband Ed live on a farm in the foothills of the Appalachians, sharing space with wild turkeys, red foxes, white-tailed deer and far too many chickens. Our preacher this morning will be available to greet after the service, up the stairs in the main lobby of Page.

**FROM FERGUSON TO FLINT**—The Rev. Starsky Wilson will speak about pastoral leadership in a public conversation “From Ferguson to Flint,” moderated by Chapel Dean Luke Powery on Thursday, Feb. 25, at 12:30 p.m. in 0012 Westbrook in Duke Divinity School. In the wake of the national outcry over the death of Michael Brown, Jr., Missouri’s governor appointed Rev. Wilson co-chair of the Ferguson Commission to help the region progress through issues exposed by Brown’s death. Rev. Wilson is president and CEO of Deaconess Foundation and pastor of Saint John’s Church (The Beloved Community) in St. Louis.

**VESPERTER ENSEMBLE CONCERT**—This evening at 7:30 p.m. at St. Stephen’s Episcopal Church in Durham, the Duke Vespers Ensemble presents a concert “Miserere - Lenten Baroque Music.” It will be a collection of rarely-heard choral and orchestral compositions focusing on the contemplative nature of the season of Lent.
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**: Dr. Stephen Chapman, Associate Professor of Old Testament, Duke Divinity School, will present “Lamentations for Lent 1-The Deserted City” in Westbrook 0012.

**New Member Class**: Those considering membership will meet in 0015 Westbrook.

**Meals on Wheels**—Donations for Meals on Wheels may be placed in the bin in the Page Auditorium lower lobby, today.

**Build a Habitat House**—Volunteers are needed to help build the Habitat house at 1113 Spruce Street in Durham every Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Shifts reserved for the Chapel community are on March 5 and April 16. To volunteer to help build the house, please sign up online at durhamhabitat.org (click “Use Reservation Code” enter “DUC” for March 5 or April 16) or sign up to volunteer on your own. For more information, contact Bruce Puckett.

**Summer Retreat**—The Congregation’s overnight retreat, with a theme of “God Is Love: The Gift and Challenge,” will be held June 4-5 at Caraway Conference Center in Asheboro. Chaplain Peggy Gold, who is a staff chaplain and Clinical Pastoral Education supervisor at Duke Hospital, will give the opening presentation, which will be based on 1 John 4. A variety of workshops will provide choices for learning and discussion. In addition to education, the retreat provides many opportunities for fellowship and recreation. The registration deadline is March 1. Please contact the congregation office for details and to make reservations.

**Growing through Grief**—All those who are grieving are invited to attend a free, open, confidential program sponsored by a coalition of area organizations and churches (ours included) to offer support and education to those who mourn. It meets weekly on Tuesdays at St. Paul’s Lutheran Church, 1200 W. Cornwallis, Durham, at the intersection of Cornwallis and Pickett Roads. Refreshments and registration begin at 4:00 p.m., followed by presentations and discussion from 4:30 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. led by professionals and trained facilitators. Upcoming topics include “Visualizing Grief’s Journey” and “Our Continued Relationship with the Departed.” All are welcome to come whenever you can. For more information, email growingthrougrief@gmail.com.
Christ Is the World's Light

1. Christ is the world's light, Christ and none other, born in our
darkness, he became our brother. If we have seen him,
we have seen the Father: Glory to God on high!

2. Christ is the world's peace, Christ and none other, no one can
serve him and despise another. Who else unites us,
one in God the Father? Glory to God on high!

3. Christ is the world's life, Christ and none other, sold once for
silver, murdered here, our brother; he, who redeems us,
reigns with God the Father: Glory to God on high!

4. Give God the glory, God and none other, give God the
glory, Spirit, Son, and Father; give God the glory,
God with us, my brother: Glory to God on high!
1. How like a gentle spirit deep within
2. Let God be God wherever life may be;
3. God like a mother eagle hovers near
4. When in our vain pretensions we conspire
5. Through all our fretful claims of sex and race

God reins our fervent passions day by day,
let every tongue bear witness to the call;
on mighty wings of power manifest;
to shape God's image as we see our own,
the universal love of God shines through,

and gives us strength to challenge and to win
all human kind is one by God's decree;
hark to the voice above our base desire;
for God is love transcending style and place

despite the perils of our chosen way.
and comforts us against a peaceful breast.
God is the sculptor, we the broken stone.
and all the idle options we pursue.

WORDS: C. Eric Lincoln, 1987
MUSIC: Alfred Morton Smith, 1941

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O Love How Deep

1. O love, how deep, how broad, how high, how
   passing thought and fantasy, that
   holy fast and hungered sore; for
   love so deep, so high, so broad; the

2. For us baptized, for us he bore his
   mocking us through the hour;
   his daily works he wrought; by
   love so deep, so high, so broad; the

3. For us he prayed; for us he taught; for
   mocked in purple robe arrayed, he
   worked for us, he went on high to reign; for
   love so deep, so high, so broad; the

4. For us to woe and be betrayed, scourged, for
   God, the Son of God, should take our
   words and signs and actions, thus still
   love so deep, so high, so broad; the

5. For us he rose from death again; for
   Triniti, whom we adore for
   words and signs and actions, thus still
   love so deep, so high, so broad; the

6. All glory to our Lord and God for
   God, the Son of God, should take our
   words and signs and actions, thus still
   love so deep, so high, so broad; the

Words: Latin, 15th cent.; tr. Benjamin Webb (1819–1885), alt.
Next Week in Worship at Duke Chapel

Preacher—Next week is Student Preacher Sunday. Our preacher will be Chapel Scholar Yi Ying Teh, Trinity ’16.

Offering—Next week’s offering will go toward the Chapel’s PathWays student ministry, which offers students opportunities to discern God’s call for their lives through study, counsel, service, and community.

Woodwork polishing in the Chancel of Duke University Chapel.
Please continue to pray for the Chapel and all those working on its restoration. Photo Credit: Ray Walker, Duke Facilities architect/project manager.
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.