Choral Vespers

April 10, 2014
Five-fifteen in the evening

GATHERING

Organ Prelude

*Choral Introit

Priidite, pokloñímsia
Victor Sergeyevich Kalinnikov
(1870-1927)

Prídite, pokloñímsia,
I pripadèm ko Hristú.
Spasí nas, Síne Bózhïy,
V oskresíy iz mèrtvïh,
Poyúshchiya Ti: Allilúya.
Come, let us worship
And fall down before Christ.
O Son of God,
Who didst rise from the dead,
Save us who sing to thee: Alleluia.

*Processional Hymn 153

Thou Hidden Source of Calm Repose

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*Opening Sentence

Leader: Light and peace in Jesus Christ our Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

*Collect for Light

Almighty God, we give you thanks for surrounding us,
as daylight fades, with the brightness of your vespers
light; and we implore you of your great mercy, that as
you envelop us with the radiance of this light, so you
would shine into our hearts the brightness of your
Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson—Exodus 6:1-13

(OT page 50-51 of the pew Bible)
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.
Anthem
Juz se zmieśxa
(sung in Polish)
(Juz sie zmierzcha, nadchodzi noc,
Poprosny Boga o pomoc,
Aby on naszym strózem był
Od złych czartów nas obronił
Ktorzy najwiecej w ciemności uzwajaja swej chytrosći.
Daylight declines, night comes upon us,
Let us pray to God for his protection,
May he be our guardian,
And defend us from the wicked devils
Who are most cunning in the night-time.

New Testament Lesson—2 Corinthians 3:1-6 (NT page 169)
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem
Adoramus te
Mikołaj Zielenski
Adoramus te, Christe, et benedicimus tibi,
Quia per sanctam crucem tuam redemisti mundum.
Qui passus es pro nobis,
Domine, Domine, miserere nobis.
We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee,
Who by thy Holy Cross hath redeemed the world.
He who suffered death for us,
O Lord, O Lord, have mercy on us.

*Gospel Lesson—Mark 10:17-31 (NT page 43-44)
Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

*Sung Prayers
Selected from “Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom”
Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky
(1840-1893)

Prayers
(The congregation responds to each petition: “Hear our prayer.”)

The Lord’s Prayer

Sending Forth
*Recessional Hymn 686
O Gladsome Light
LE CANTIQUE DE SIMEON

*Benediction

*Choral Dismissal
Gospodi Isuse Khriste
Alfred Schnittke
(1934-1998)

Gospodi Isuse Khriste, Syn’e Bozhij, pomiluj m’a gr’eshnogo.
Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me a sinner.

Postlude
*Please stand as you are able.

You are welcome to stay for the organ postlude.
Should you need to leave, please do so quietly and respectfully.

There will be no Vespers Service next Thursday, April 17, which is Maundy Thursday. All are welcome to a Footwashing Service at 6:30 p.m. in the Memorial Chapel followed by the Chapel’s Maundy Thursday service at 7:30 p.m.
The final Vespers service of the spring semester will be on April 24, 2014.

Today’s service includes anthems connected to the Orthodox liturgy. This year bears a unique harmony between the Orthodox Church and Western denominations with Easter falling on the same date. One distinct difference you will notice from Duke Chapel’s customary worship practice is the presence of “Alleluia” in the introit, which is an expression traditionally removed from Lenten worship in most Western Christian denominations. However, most Orthodox churches do not observe this tradition, and so in honor of our Orthodox brothers and sisters in Christian faith, we’ve retained it for today’s service.