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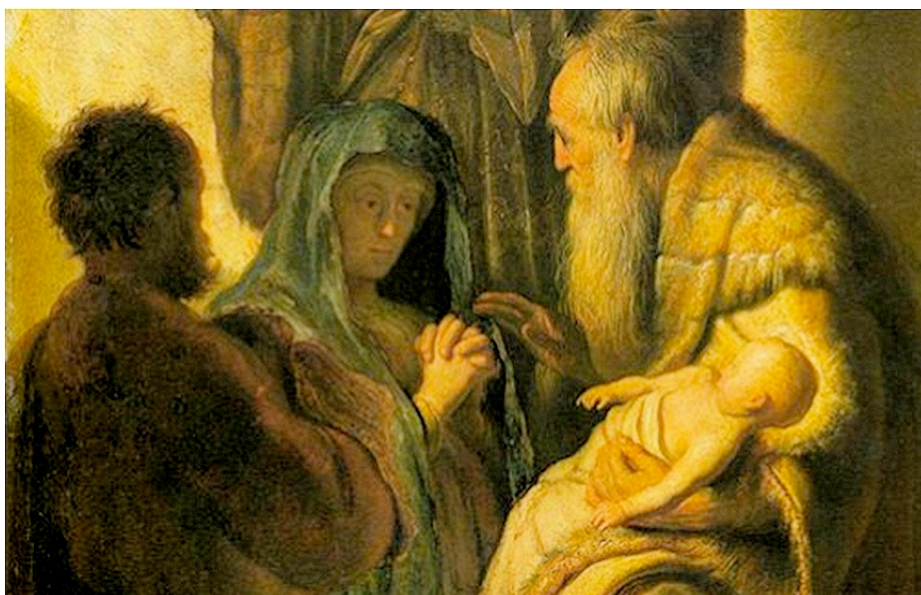
Service of Worship

First Sunday After Christmas

December 28, 2014

Eleven o'clock in the morning

≈ Bridging Faith and Learning ≈



Detail of "Simeon and Anna Recognize the Lord in Jesus," by Rembrandt, c. 1627.

With the birth of the infant Jesus, we are invited to place our hope in a future that is claimed and redeemed by God. Isaiah speaks of being clothed in garments of salvation, echoing the image of a wedding garment, which brings to mind great celebration. Galatians emphasizes the adoption we experience through Christ, in which we no longer experience being slaves of the law, but instead we know the joy of being beloved children of God. In Luke, Simeon and Anna are both prophets who sense the promise and hope of the infant Jesus for the redemption of Israel.

At the close of today's service, the Lord's Supper will be celebrated in the Memorial Chapel located to the left of the chancel. Immediately following the Lord's Supper, a service of prayer for healing will be held. The service consists of prayers for healing and wholeness, with anointing and laying on of hands. All are invited.

The congregation is asked to remain silent 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

I Wonder as I Wander	John Jacob Niles (1892–1980) arr. Ann Cameron Pearce
Christmas Exultations	arr. Catherine McMichael (b. 1954)
Hark! The Herald Angels Sing	Felix Mendelssohn (1809–1847)
O Come, All Ye Faithful	John Francis Wade (1711–1786)
Joy to the World	George Frideric Handel (1685–1759)
A Renaissance Noel Good King Wenceslas What Child is This	English Carols arr. Catherine McMichael (b. 1954)

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*OPENING PROCESSION: HYMN 238

Angels We Have Heard on High

GLORIA

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND WORDS OF ASSURANCE (*in unison*)

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)*

God in Trinity, eternal unity of perfect love: as your word is read and proclaimed, gather the nations to be one family, and draw us into your holy life through the birth of Emmanuel, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON—Isaiah 61:10–62:3

(OT pages 650–51 in the pew Bible)

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

Infant Holy, Infant Lowly

Polish Carol
arr. Ann Cameron Pearce
(b. 1945)

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON—Galatians 4:4–7 *(NT page 178)*

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

***GRADUAL HYMN 219** *(stanza 1)*

What Child Is This

GREENSLEEVES

(All turn to face the Gospel Procession.)

***GOSPEL LESSON—Luke 2:22–40** *(NT page 55)*

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

***GRADUAL HYMN** *(stanzas 2–3)*

What Child Is This

GREENSLEEVES

SERMON—Are We There Yet?

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

(The congregation responds to each petition: "Hear our prayer.")

OFFERTORY

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

Michael Praetorius

(1571–1621)

arr. Ann Cameron Pearce

*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, Alleluia, Alleluia.

THANKSGIVING

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*THE LORD'S PRAYER *(number 895 in the hymnal, in unison)*

SENDING FORTH

*BENEDICTION

*CLOSING PROCESSION: HYMN 224

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice

IN DULCI JUBILO

ORGAN POSTLUDE

In Dulci Jubilo, BWV 729

Johann Sebastian Bach

(1685–1750)

CARILLON

**All who are able may stand.*

MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

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The Rev. Brad Troxell

Preacher

The Rev. Dr. Carol Gregg

Lectors

Ms. Emi Miller

Member of the Congregation at Duke Chapel

The Rev. Dr. Hugh Knapp

Member of the Congregation at Duke Chapel

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The Raleigh Flute Choir

Organist

Mr. Christopher Jacobson

Presiding Minister over Memorial Chapel Communion

The Rev. Brad Troxell

Head Ushers

Dr. James Ferguson and Mr. Rick Wilfong

Carillonneur

Mr. J. Samuel Hammond

CHAPEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADVENT WREATH AND DECORATIONS—The Advent Wreath is made possible by the Elizabeth Lucina Gotham Memorial Endowment, established by Dr. and Mrs. James H. Semans in loving memory of Elizabeth Gotham. The interior decorations and the wreaths on either side 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 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 grant-making process not only benefits people in need but also seeks to introduce students to faithful stewardship and community development.

ABOUT TODAY'S GUEST MUSICIANS—The Raleigh Flute Choir, 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. The choir has appeared in a variety of venues, past highlights of which include concerts at the Biltmore Estate, Colonial Williamsburg, Piccolo Spoleto, and the White House.



THE CONGREGATION AT DUKE UNIVERSITY CHAPEL

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The following Congregation opportunities are open to all.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION—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. Classes include:

- *Wee Praise* for infants through children age 3 with parents or caregivers in 0014 Westbrook
- *Godly Play* for 4-year olds through 5th graders in 0050 Langford
- *Youth Sunday School* for youth in 6th–12th grades in 0013 Westbrook
- *Adult Bible Study* focused on the theme of hope in 0011 Westbrook
- *Adult Forum*: Diverse presentations on a wide range of topics in 0012 Westbrook.

COFFEE AND COOKIES TODAY—All are invited to remain after worship today for a time of fellowship and refreshment in the Chapel lounge, located in the lower level. Enjoy the season with friends new and old!

BACK PEW COLLECTION—On Sundays, January 11 and 18, donations of new or gently-used tents, blankets and tarps will be collected in the back pew. Donations will be distributed by Open Table Ministries to the homeless who live in various wooded areas of Durham.

LET US KNOW—If you or a loved one is in need of prayer or a pastoral visit, please let the Congregation pastors know by contacting the office at 919-684-3917 or congregation@duke.edu.



DUKE UNIVERSITY CHAPEL

Duke Chapel is a grand building, suitable for hosting major events in the life of the University and its members; it acts as a moderator for the diversity of religious identity and expression on campus; and it is a Christian church of an unusually interdenominational character, with a tradition of stirring music, preaching, and liturgy. We welcome you to our life of worship, learning, dialogue, and service.

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FOR WORSHIPERS & VISITORS

† Prayer requests may be placed in the prayer box located by the Memorial Chapel.

† For a tour of Duke Chapel, meet today's docent near the front steps of the Chapel following the service.

† Hearing assist units and a Braille hymnal are available at the attendant's desk at the entry way of the Chapel. See the Chapel attendant if you would like to use one of our large-print Bibles or hymnals for the worship service this morning.

FOR FAMILIES & CHILDREN

† Children 4 and younger are welcome to visit the nursery (capacity limited), located in the Chapel basement, beginning at 10:50 a.m. each week. Pagers are available for parents to keep with them during worship. Parents needing a place to feed, quiet, or change infants are also welcome.

† Activity Bags are available at the rear of the Chapel for children 5 or younger. Please return the bags at the end of the service. Children's bulletins are available from the ushers.

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. If you would like to receive the weekly eNews from the Congregation or have any questions, please email congregation@duke.edu or call 919-684-3917.

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