The first Sunday after Christmas often celebrates the feast of the Holy Family, and in the scripture lessons today we come to know that biblical families (like our own) knew challenge and difficulty. In First Samuel, the priest Eli is anguished over his sons and the prophecy of the undoing of his household because of their wickedness and disregard for the Lord. In the gospel lesson from Luke, a precocious Jesus escapes from his parents after the Festival of Passover. He is eventually found in the Temple, where he has been astonishing all the teachers with his questions and understanding.
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.

GATHERING

CARILLON

FLUTE PRELUDE

O Song of Joy  
Darlene Dugan  
(b. 1933)

In the Bleak Midwinter  
Gustav Holst  
(1874-1934)  
arr. Ann Cameron Pearce

Greensleeves Fantasia  
Ralph Vaughan Williams  
(1872-1958)  
arr. Anne McGinty

Go, Tell it on the Mountain  
American Spiritual  
arr. Pearce

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 237
Sing We Now of Christmas  
FRENCH CAROL

*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.
Lord have mercy.
Christ have mercy.
Christ have mercy.
Christ have mercy.
Lord 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—1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26**

*(OT page 235 in the pew Bible)*

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

**Anthem**

Ding Dong, Merrily on High | Traditional French Carol
arr. Pearce

**New Testament Lesson—Colossians 3:12-17** *(NT page 190)*

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*Gradual Hymn 220 (stanzas 1-2)*

Angels from the Realms of Glory | REGENT SQUARE
(All turn to face the Gospel Procession.)


Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*Gradual Hymn 220 (stanzas 3-4)*

Angels from the Realms of Glory | REGENT SQUARE

**Sermon—Where Have You Been?**

**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; 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
Oratorio de Noel Camille Saint-Saëns
1. Prelude Camille Saint-Saëns (1835-1921)
2. Chorale arr. Bruce Behnke

*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.

Thanksgiving
This morning we give thanks for the Duke Board of Trustees. We celebrate its
stewardship of Duke’s life in ways that support and sustain the University while
modeling a culture of excellence. The ushers bring a Duke seal to the altar.

In Durham, we remember chaplains at local hospitals who provide a ministry of
love and listening to patients and families. The ushers bring forward anointing oil.

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*The Lord’s Prayer (number 895 in the hymnal, in unison)

Sending Forth

*Benediction

*Recessional Hymn 251
Go, Tell It on the Mountain GO TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN

Postlude
“Go, Tell It on the Mountain” Traditional Spiritual
arr. Mark Hayes

Carillon

*All who are able may stand.
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CHAPEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY’S FLOWERS—The Advent Wreath is made possible by the Elizabeth Lucina Gotham Memorial Endowment, in loving memory of Elizabeth Gotham. The wreaths on either side of the front entrance of the Chapel and the interior decorations 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 underwrite the costs for undergraduate students going on the Chapel’s Spring Break mission trips. Duke Chapel PathWays provides mission trip opportunities for students who are interested in spending their Spring Break in service and reflection. Most recently, Chapel staff led student trips to Costa Rica, Honduras, and New Mexico.

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. Appearing in a variety of venues, past highlights include concerts at Biltmore Estate, Colonial Williamsburg, Piccolo Spoleto, and the White House.

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The following Congregation opportunities are open to all.

EPHESUS PARTY—The Fellowship Committee invites Congregation members to join in a celebration Epiphany Party after worship next Sunday, January 6, in the Chapel lounge. Help ring in the new year by feasting and singing with Congregation friends old and new. Congregation members are asked to bring a salad or dessert to share. Sandwiches and drinks will be provided. No reservations required.
FOR WORSHIPPERS & 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 (for children 5 and under) and Liturgy Boxes (ages 5-8) are available at the rear of the Chapel to help children engage in worship. Please return after the service. 
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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 are interested in making Duke Chapel your home church, please contact the Rev. Bruce Puckett at 919-684-3917. www.congregation.chapel.duke.edu

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