



An Advent Service  
of  
Lessons and Carols



DUKE UNIVERSITY CHAPEL  
DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA  
DECEMBER 4, 2014 AT 5:30 P.M.

*The congregation is asked to remain silent  
during the prelude as a time of prayer and meditation.*

ORGAN PRELUDE

GATHERING

\*CHORAL INTROIT  
Glory to Thee

James Whitbourn  
(b. 1963)

Glory to Thee, O Lord, Glory to Thee.  
Heavenly King, Comforter, Spirit of Truth  
Who art everywhere present and fillest all things.  
Treasury of all good and giver of life.  
Come dwell within us. Cleanse us from all unrighteousness.  
And of thy goodness save our souls.

—words from the Orthodox tradition

\*GREETING AND OPENING PRAYER

\*CAROL

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

VENI EMMANUEL



O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, and ran - som cap - tive Is - ra - el,  
O come, thou Wis - dom from\_ on high, who or - derest all things might - i - ly;  
O come, thou Day - spring from\_ on high, and cheer us by thy draw - ing nigh;  
O come, De - sire of na - tions, bind in one the hearts of hu - man - kind;



that mourns in lone ly ex - ile here un - til the Son of God\_ ap pear.  
to us the path of know - ledge show, and teach us in her ways\_ to go.  
dis - perse the gloomy y clouds of night, and death's dark sha - dows put\_ to flight.  
bid thou our sad di - vi - sions cease, and be thy - self our King\_ of Peace.



Re-joyce! Re-joyce! Em - man - u - el shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

\*BIDDING PRAYER (*presiding minister only*)

Beloved in Christ, as we await the great festival of Christmas,  
let us prepare ourselves so that we may be shown its true meaning.  
Let us hear in Holy Scripture how the prophets of Israel  
foretold that God would visit and redeem the waiting people.  
Let us rejoice, in our carols and hymns,  
that the good purpose of God is being mightily fulfilled.  
Let us celebrate the promise that our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ,  
will bring all peoples and all things into the glory of God's eternal kingdom.

The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them.

But first, let us pray for the world that God so loves, for those who have not heard the good news of God, or who do not believe it; for those who walk in darkness and the shadow of death; and for the Church in this place and everywhere, that it may in pure joy lift up the light of the love of God.

These prayers and praises let us humbly offer to God, in the words that Christ himself taught us.

\*THE LORD'S PRAYER (*in unison*)

FIRST LESSON—Isaiah 40:1–8

*To God's people in exile in a faraway land, the prophet Isaiah announces good news: God is returning and bringing the exiles home.*

ANTHEM

Es ist ein Ros (variation 1 from op. 10)

Hugo Distler  
(1908–1942)

*Es ist ein Ros entsprungen,  
aus einer Wurzel zart,  
als uns die Alten sungen,  
von Jesse kam die Art  
Und hat ein Blümlein bracht  
mitten im kalten Winter,  
wohl zu der halben Nacht.*

Lo, how a rose e'er blooming,  
From tender stem hath sprung.  
Of Jesse's lineage coming,  
As men of old have sung;  
It came, a flow'ret bright,  
Amid the cold of winter,  
When half spent was the night.

SECOND LESSON—Jeremiah 23:5–6

*The prophet Jeremiah offers hope for a righteous branch,  
a just king who is yet to come.*

ANTHEM

Jesus Christ the Appletree

Elizabeth Poston  
(1905–1987)

The tree of life my soul hath seen,  
Laden with fruit, and always green,  
The trees of nature fruitless be,  
Compared with Christ the appletree.

His beauty doth all things excel,  
By faith I know, but ne'er can tell,  
The glory which I now can see,  
In Jesus Christ the appletree.

For happiness I long have sought,  
And pleasure I have dearly bought;  
I missed of all but now I see  
'Tis found in Christ the appletree.

I'm wearied with my former toil,  
Here I will sit and rest awhile;  
Under the shadow I will be  
Of Jesus Christ the appletree.

This fruit doth make my soul to thrive,  
It keeps my dying faith alive;  
Which makes my soul in haste to be  
With Jesus Christ the appletree.

THIRD LESSON—Zechariah 9:9–10

*To a nation weary of war, God will establish a king  
who will establish a reign of peace.*

\*CAROL 196

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

HYFRYDOL

FOURTH LESSON—Haggai 2:6–9

*The prophet Haggai promises to God's people a temple  
even more glorious than the temple of old.*

ANTHEM

Am Neujahrstage, (#2 of *Sechs Sprüche*, op. 79)

Felix Mendelssohn  
(1809–1847)

*Herr, Gott, du bist unsre Zuflucht für und für.  
Ehe denn die Berge worden,  
und die Erde und die Welt erschaffen worden,  
bist du Gott von Ewigkeit zu Ewigkeit.  
Hallelujah!*

Lord, God, you are our refuge for evermore.  
From before the mountains were made,  
And the lands and the world were created.  
You are our God from age to age,  
Hallelujah!

\*CAROL 216

Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

ES IST EIN ROS

FIFTH LESSON—Isaiah 35:1–6

*The prophet Isaiah announces the renewal both of the land  
and of God's people on the coming day of redemption.*

\*CAROL 214

Savior of the Nations, Come

NUN KOMM, DER HEIDEN HEILAND

SIXTH LESSON—Luke 1:26–35, 38

*The angel Gabriel announces to the virgin Mary that she  
will give birth to a ruler whose reign shall never end.*

ANTHEM

Magnificat

Eriks Esenvalds  
(b. 1977)

*Magnificat anima mea Dominum,  
Et exultavit spiritus meus in Deo salvatore meo.  
Quia respexit humilitatem ancillae suae.  
Ecce enim ex hoc beatam me dicent omnes generationes,  
Quia fecit mihi magna, qui potens est, et sanctum nomen eius,  
Et misericordia eius in progenies et progenies timentibus eum.  
Fecit potentiam in brachio suo;  
Dispersit superbos mente cordis sui.  
Deposuit potentes de sede et exaltavit humiles.  
Esurientes implevit bonis et divites dimisit inanes.  
Suscepit Israel puerum suum, recordatus misericordiae,  
sicut locutus est ad patres nostros, Abraham et semini eius in saecula.*

My soul doth magnify the Lord,  
And my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.  
For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden.  
For, behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.  
For he that is mighty hath magnified me, and holy is his name.  
And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations.  
He hath shown strength with his arm;  
He hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.  
He hath put down the mighty from their seat and hath exalted the  
humble and meek. He hath filled the hungry with good things, and the  
rich he hath sent empty away. He remembering his mercy hath holpen  
his servant Israel, as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his  
seed forever. —Luke 1:46–55

SEVENTH LESSON—Mark 1:1–15

*Jesus proclaims the coming of the kingdom of God.*

ANTHEM

Es ist ein Ros (variation 7 from op. 10)

*So singen wir all Amen,  
das heist, nun werd es wahr,  
Was wir begehren allsamen.  
O Jesu, hilf uns dar  
In deines Vaters Reich,  
Drin wollen wir dich loben.  
O Gott uns das verleih!*

So, we all sing Amen,  
Which means that we jointly  
Long for what will now come true.  
O Jesus, help us enter into  
Your Father's Kingdom,  
Where we want to praise you.  
O God, grant us our wish!

ADVENT PRAYER (*in unison*)

**Merciful God,  
you sent your messengers the prophets  
to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation.  
Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins,  
that we may celebrate aright the commemoration of the nativity,  
and may await with joy  
the coming in glory of Jesus Christ our Redeemer;  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.**

\*BENEDICTION

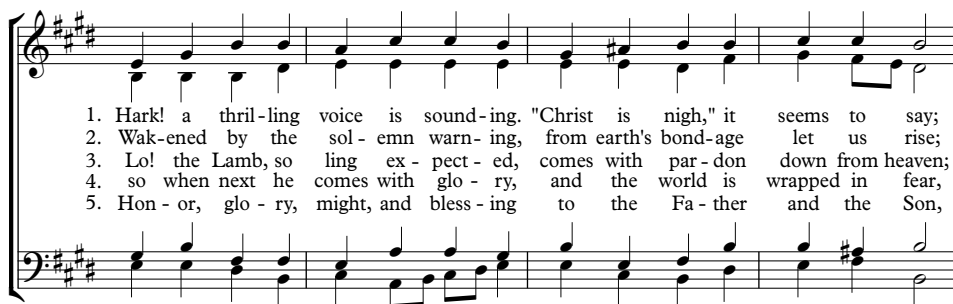
\*CLOSING HYMN (*see hymn on opposite page*)  
Hark! A Thrilling Voice Is Sounding

MERTON

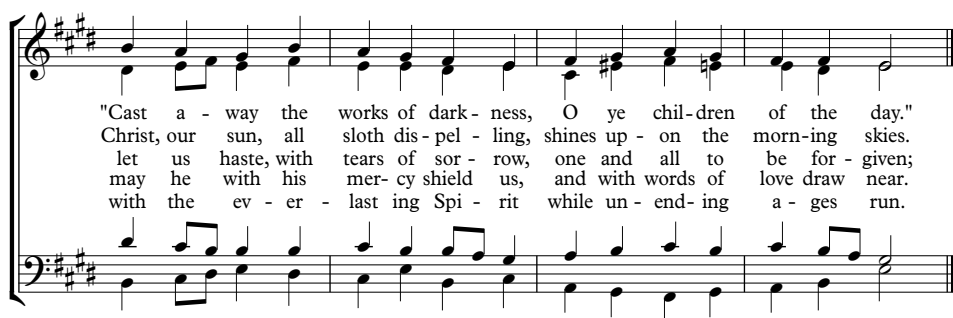
ORGAN POSTLUDE

*\*All who are able may stand.*

## Hark! A Thrilling Voice Is Sounding



1. Hark! a thril-ling voice is sound-ing. "Christ is nigh," it seems to say;  
2. Wak-ened by the sol- emn warn- ing, from earth's bond-age let us rise;  
3. Lo! the Lamb, so ling ex- pect- ed, comes with par- don down from heaven;  
4. so when next he comes with glo- ry, and the world is wrapped in fear,  
5. Hon- or, glo- ry, might, and bless- ing to the Fa- ther and the Son,



"Cast a - way the works of dark- ness, O ye chil- dren of the day."  
Christ, our sun, all sloth dis- pel- ling, shines up - on the morn- ing skies.  
let us haste, with tears of sor- row, one and all to be for- given;  
may he with his mer- cy shield us, and with words of love draw near.  
with the ev - er - last ing Spi- rit while un- end- ing a - ges run."

Words: Latin, 6th century; tr. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1861

Music: Merton, *William Henry Monk* (1823-1889)

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

*The Choral Vespers service has concluded for the fall semester.  
The service will return on Thursday, January 15, 2015.*

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