An Advent Service of Lessons and Carols

Duke University Chapel
Durham, North Carolina
December 6, 2012 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

O magnum mysterium  
Tomás Luis de Victoria  
(1548-1611)

O magnum mysterium, et admirabile sacramentum,  
ut animalia viderent Dominum natum, jacentem in praesepio!  
Beata Virgo, cujus viscera meruerunt portare Dominum Christum.  
Alleluia.

O great mystery, and wonderful sacrament,  
that animals should see the newborn Lord, lying in a manger!  
Blessed is the Virgin whose womb was worthy to bear Christ the Lord.  
Alleluia!

*GREETING

*CAROL 211 (stanzas 1, 2, 6, and 7)

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel  
VENI EMMANUEL

*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

There is no rose of such virtue

There is no rose of such virtue as is the rose that bare Jesu;  
Alleluia.

For in this rose contained was Heaven and earth in little space;  
Res Miranda. (Wonderful thing)

By that rose we may well see that he is God in persons three,  
Pari forma. (Equal in form)

The angels sung the shepherds to: Gloria in excelsis deo:  
Gaudeamus. (Let us rejoice)

Leave we all this worldly mirth, and follow we this joyful birth;  
Transeamus. (Let us follow)

SECOND LESSON—Jeremiah 23:5–6

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

ANTHEM

Christ the Appletree

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.

This 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.

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.
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.

*CAROL 196
Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

THIRD LESSON—Zechariah 9:9–10

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

ANTHEM
O beatum et sacrosanctam diem

Peter Philips
(1561-1628)

O beatum et sacrosanctum diem,
in qua Dominus noster de Virgine Maria pro nobis nasci dignatus est.
Gaudeat itaque universus orbis, et cantemus illi,
in sono tubae, cithara, psalterio et organo.
Congratulemur cum multitudine angelorum exercitus,
semper suas laudes cantantibus. Noël! Alleluia!

O blessed and most holy day
on which our Lord was born of the Virgin Mary for our sake.
Let the whole world therefore rejoice, and let us sing to him
to the sound of the trumpet, strings, the harp and the organ.
Let us rejoice with the numerous hosts of angels,
ceaselessly singing his praise. Noel! Alleluia!

FOURTH 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 216
Lo, How a Rose E’er Blooming

ANTHEM
Creator alme siderum

Larry Nickel
(b. 1952)

Creator alme siderum, aeterna lux credentium,
Christe, redemptor omnium, exaudi preces supplicum.

Qui condolens interitu mortis perire saeculum,
salvasti mundum languidum, donans reis remedium,

Vergente mundi vespere, uti sponsus de thalamo,
egressus honestissima Virginis matris clausula.
Creator of the stars of night, thy people's everlasting light,  
Christ, Redeemer, save us all, and hear thy servants when they call.

Thou, grieving that the ancient curse should doom to death a universe,  
hast found the medicine, full of grace, to save and heal a ruined race.

Thou camest, the bridegroom of the bride, as drew the world to evening tide,  
proceeding from a virgin shrine, the spotless victim all divine.

FIFTH LESSON—Haggai 2:6–9

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

*CAROL (please see hymn at the end of the program)
Comfort, Comfort, Now My People


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

ANTHEM

Bogoróditse Dyévo

Bogoróditse Dyévo, ráduisya,  
Blagodátnaya Mariye, Gospód s tobóyu.  
Blagoslovyéna ty v zhenákh,  
i blagoslovyén plod chryéva tvoyevó,  
yáko Spása rodilá yesí dush náshikh.

Rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos,  
Mary full of grace, the Lord is with Thee.  
Blessed art Thou among women,  
and blessed is the fruit of Thy womb,  
for Thou hast borne the Savior of our souls.

SEVENTH LESSON—Mark 1:1–15

Jesus proclaims the coming of the kingdom of God.

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

*Recessional Hymn 203
   Hail to the Lord’s Anointed

*Choral Dismissal
   Amen

Organ Postlude
   Improvisation on Ellacombe

*All who are able may stand.

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 17, 2013.
Comfort, Comfort Now My People

1 “Com-fort, com-fort now my peo-ple; Tell of peace!” So says our God.
2 For the her-ald’s voice is cry-ing In the des-ert far and near,
3 Straight shall be what long was crook-ed, And the rough-er plac-es plain!

Com-fort those who sit in dark-ness Mour-ning un-der sor-row’s load.
Call-ing us to true re-pen-tance, Since the King-dom now is here.
Let your hearts be true and hum-ble, As be-fits his ho-ly reign!

To God’s peo-ple now pro-claim That God’s par-don waits for them!
Oh, that warn-ing cry o-bey! Now pre-pare for God a way!
For the glo-ry of the Lord Now on earth is shed a-broad,

Tell them that their war is o-ver; God will reign in peace for-ev-er!
Let the val-leys rise to meet him, And the hills bow down to greet him!
And all flesh shall see the to-ken That God’s word is nev-er bro-ken.

Text: Johann Olearius, 1611–1684; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1829–1878, alt.
Tune: Trente quatre psaumes de David, Geneva, 1551
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Kristen Blackman
Ali Carnes
Mackenzie Cramblit
Lydia Greene

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Chase Bannister
Jianghi Ho
Andrew Klumpp
Chris Shreve

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Karen Cook
Eva Depue
Erica Dunkle
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