Christmas Eve
Service of Carols and
Holy Communion
December 24, 2012
Four o’clock in the afternoon

Keeping the heart of the University listening to the heart of God


Christmas is the festival at which Christians celebrate the birth of the Christ Child in Bethlehem over 2000 years ago. This fragile infant, long awaited and yet still a surprise, is the incarnation of God on earth. As we share gifts with our friends and families this season, we seek to capture the joy and wonder of the original gift of Christmas: God, out of his lavish abundance, comes into a broken world to dwell among us and draw us to him.
The congregation is asked to remain silent during the prelude as a time of prayer and meditation.

Entrance

Organ Prelude

Pastorale in F Major, BWV 590
Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Noël sur les flûtes
Louis-Claude d’Aquin (1694-1772)

Noël grands jeux et duo

Christmas Chorale Preludes

Two settings of “From Heaven High to Earth I Come”

Three settings of “In dulci jubilo”

Choral Prelude

Alepun
Traditional Spanish Carol
arr. Joel Martinson (b. 1960)

The Friendly Beasts
Traditional French Carol
harm. by Carlton Young

Hallelu!
Stephen Paulus (b. 1949)

Greeting and Announcements

*Processional Hymn 234
O Come, All Ye Faithful

Proclamation

*Prayer for Illumination (in unison)

Almighty God, as we prepare with joy to celebrate the gift of the Christ child, embrace the earth with your glory and be for us a living hope; in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.


Lector: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon—A Manger Ministry

Response

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 Anthems**

**Bells of Bethlehem**

Traditional Andalusian Carol  
arr. Kathleen Parsons

_Bells, O the bells, how they ring tonight,_  
_Filling the air while the angels sing!_  
_Go to the window, behold the sight,_  
_There in a manger the newborn King!_

_O bells, O bells of Bethlehem,_  
_The angels set you ringing, what glad tidings do you bring?_

_Little shepherd, wand’ring through the night,_  
_Why have you come from fields afar?_  
_“I am bringing gifts of wine and cream_  
_To the baby born beneath the star.”_

_Bells, O the bells, how they ring tonight,_  
_Telling the world of a glorious birth!_  
_Go to the window, behold the sight,_  
_God sent his son to be born on earth!_

**I Wonder as I Wander**  
Appalachian Carol  
arr. Dorothy Zerbe

_I wonder as I wander out under the sky,  
Why Jesus the Savior did come for to die,  
For poor orn’ry sinners like you and like I,  
I wonder as I wander out under the sky,_

_When Mary birthed Jesus ’twas in a cow’s stall,  
With wise men and farmers and shepherds and all.  
And down from God’s heaven a star’s light did fall,  
And the promise of ages it did then recall._

_If Jesus had wanted for any wee thing:_  
_A star in the sky or a bird on the wing;  
Or all of God’s creatures in heaven for the sing,_  
_He surely could have it, ’cause he was the king!_

**Doxology**

_Gloria in excelsis Deo!_  
_Gloria_

(Repeat refrain as needed.)

**Thanksgiving and Communion**

**The Great Thanksgiving**  
_(Musical Setting A, on page 17 of the hymnal)_

Minister: The Lord be with you.  
**People:** And also with you.  
Minister: Lift up your hearts.  
**People:** We lift them up to the Lord.  
Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**People:** It is right to give our thanks and praise.
The leader gives thanks, remembering God’s acts of salvation, and concludes:

...Give us such joy and peace in your company that our hearts join the angels in the Christmas sky and around your eternal throne, singing their hymn of unending praise:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The leader continues, invoking the presence of the Holy Spirit, and recalling the institution of the Lord’s Supper. The leader concludes:

...Great is the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

The leader praises the Trinity, concluding:

...through whom and with whom and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory are yours, now and forever.

Amen.

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

Sharing of the Bread and Wine
All those who have become members of Christ’s body through baptism and seek to be united with God and at peace with their neighbor are invited to receive communion. Wine is used for communion. If you would prefer to receive grape juice, it is available upon request at the communion station near the main entrance of the Chapel, on the pulpit side. If you have a gluten allergy, those serving communion nearest to the Memorial Chapel will be ready to serve you gluten-free wafers and wine on request. You may also come forward to receive a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest.

If you would like to receive individual anointing with oil and prayers for healing, ministers will be in the Memorial Chapel during communion.

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Music during Communion
(The congregation will sing the following hymns during the distribution.)

**Hymn 219**
- What Child Is This
  - Greensleeves

**Hymn 230**
- O Little Town of Bethlehem
  - St. Louis

**Hymn 239**
- Silent Night, Holy Night
  - Stille Nacht
MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Presiding Ministers The Rev. Bruce Puckett  
Dr. Christy Lohr Sapp
Preacher The Rev. Dr. Luke Powery
Lector The Rev. Dr. Robert Claytor  
Member, Congregation at Duke Chapel
Organist Dr. David Arcus
Guest Choir The Durham Children’s Choir  
Ms. Scott Hill, director  
Ms. Dena Byers, Associate Director  
Miss Emily Turkington, soprano solo
Accompanists Ms. Jill Boliek  
Mr. Christopher Camitta
Ministers of Anointing Dr. Christy Lohr Sapp  
The Rev. Brad Troxell  
The Rev. Todd Maberry
Carillonneur Mr. J. Samuel Hammond
Head Ushers Mr. Leroy McRae and Mr. Charles Roedel

HYMN 240
Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

*MENDELSSOHN

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING FORTH

*BENEDICTION

*RECESSIONAL HYMN 246
Joy to the World

ANTIOCH

POSTLUDE
Improvisation on antioch

*All who are able may stand.
Announcements

Advent Wreath—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 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.

About Today’s Guest Choir—The Durham Children’s Choir is a community organization made up of outstanding young singers from the Durham and neighboring communities who are either home-schooled or attend elementary or middle schools. Their mission is to learn a wide variety of high quality choral music, both sacred and secular, and to share that music with the community through public performances. The choir was founded by Scott Hill, retired Durham Public Schools choral director, in May 2004. For more information on the choir, see the website at www.durhamchildrenschoir.org.

Christmas Eve Offering and Photos Adorning the Chapel—The photographs hanging in Duke Chapel depict life in and around the Blanchard Health Clinic in Haiti, funded in large part by the generosity of those who attend the Duke Chapel Christmas Eve services each year. All of tonight’s offering will go to the Family Health Ministries (FHM), which is a nonprofit agency founded by Duke medical doctor David Walmer and his wife Kathy. FHM provides medical care and support to the people of Haiti. In May 2004, an eleven-person group coordinated by the Congregation at Duke Chapel conducted a mission trip to Haiti. The purpose of the trip was to lay the foundation for the first and only medical clinic in the city of Blanchard, population 225,000. Many who now live in the community fled the violence of Cité Soleil, which is the poorest slum in the poorest country in the Western Hemisphere. The Blanchard Family Health Clinic continues to exist and grow due in great part to the generous annual offerings from the Chapel’s Christmas Eve services, tonight being the ninth annual collection. These offerings provide most of the clinic’s annual operating support. Ongoing funding is crucial to continue to address the unmet needs of access to affordable healthcare, health education, and disease prevention. The residents of Blanchard have minimal access to acute care, sanitation, potable water, simple nutrition, family planning, and immunizations. Tonight, in the name of the Holy Infant who was born into poverty 2000 years ago, we hope to raise at least $20,000 for the ongoing work of Family Health Ministries.

Sermons Available—Copies of tonight’s sermon are available in the communication stands at either side of the narthex, just inside the front doors of the Chapel. A downloadable PDF, podcast, and webcast of sermons each week are available on our website, www.chapel.duke.edu.

Community Choir at the 11:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Service—All are invited to come and sing in the community choir for the 11:00 p.m. Lessons and Carols service tonight. There is a required rehearsal at 9:00 p.m. The choir will sing six anthems, including the Hallelujah Chorus from Messiah.
Brahms
Ein deutsches Requiem
Duke Chapel Choir, Duke Chorale, and Orchestra Pro Cantores

Saturday, April 13 at 4:00 p.m.
Duke Chapel
Rodney Wynkoop, Conductor

$15 General Admission
$5 Students with ID
Free for Duke Students
tickets.duke.edu or 919-684-4444
**FOR WORSHIPERS & VISITORS**

† Prayer requests may be placed in the prayer box located by the Memorial Chapel.
† There will be no tours of Duke Chapel after services today. Tours will take place after Sunday worship.
† 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. Sundays. 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.

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, contact the Rev. Bruce Puckett at 684-3917. www.congregation.chapel.duke.edu

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