

 $\approx$  Keeping the heart of the University listening to the heart of God  $\ll$ 



"The Dream of St. Joseph," by Georges de la Tour, 1640.

The season of Advent is a time of waiting on the promises of God. The God who has drawn near to Israel is about to draw nearer still in the form of a baby. The scripture lessons emphasize the promises that are to be fulfilled. Isaiah foretells the birth of a child to be called Immanuel, meaning "God with us." The introduction to Paul's letter to the Romans reveals how Jesus was the fulfillment of God's promise and opened the door of salvation to Gentiles as well as Jews. In Matthew, Joseph is visited in the night with the strange message of Jesus' coming birth, and he responds to God by asking Mary to become his wife.

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
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ORGAN PRELUDE Magnificat versets from *Fifteen Pieces Founded on Antiphons*, Op. 18 Marcel Dupré I. "My soul doth magnify the Lord" (1886-1971) IV. (Cantilène) "He hath put down the mighty from their seats" V. He remembering his mercy

# Introit

O Jesu So Meek

16th Century German Carol arr. Linda Metz

O Jesu so meek, O Jesu so kind Thou hast fulfilled Thy Father's mind Hast come from heaven down to earth in human flesh thru human birth

O Jesu so good, O Jesu so meek To do thy will is all we seek For all we are or have is thine, Do thou our hearts to Thee incline.

# Greeting

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 200 Tell Out, My Soul

WOODLANDS

\*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*)
Eternal God, as Mary waited for the birth of your Son, so we wait to hear your word;
bring us through the birth pangs of this present age to see, with her, our great salvation in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON—Isaiah 7:10-16 (*OT page 598 in the pew Bible*) Lector: This is the word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.** 

### ANTHEM

Tota pulchra es

Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986)

Tota pulchra es Maria, et macula originalis non est in te. Vestimentum tuum candidum quasi nix, et facies tua sicut sol. Tu gloria Jerusalem, tu laetitia Israel, tu honorificenti populi nostri.

Thou art fair, O Mary, and the stain of original sin is not in thee. Your vestments are as white as snow, and your face is like the sun. Thou art the glory of Jerusalem, the joy of Israel, and the honor of our people.

New TESTAMENT LESSON—Romans 1:1-7 (*NT page 142*) Lector: This is the word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.** 

\*GRADUAL HYMN 215 (stanzas 1-3) To a Maid Engaged to Joseph (All turn to face the Gospel Procession.)

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\*GOSPEL LESSON—Matthew 1:18-25 (*NT page 1*) Lector: This is the word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.** 

\*GRADUAL HYMN 215 (stanzas 4-6) To a Maid Engaged to Joseph

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SERMON—The Godfather

# 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

Alma redemptoris Mater

Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1526-1594)

Alma Redemptoris Mater, quae pervia caeli Porta manes, et stella maris, sucurre cadenti, Surgere qui curat populo: tu quae genuisti, Natura mirante, tuum sanctum Genitorem, Virgo prius ac posterius, Gabrielis ab ore Sumens illud Ave, peccatorum miserere.

Loving Mother of the Redeemer, who remains the accessible gateway of heaven and star of the sea, give aid to a falling people that strives to rise; O thou who begot thy holy creator, while all nature marvelled, virgin before and after receiving that "ave" from the mouth of Gabriel, have mercy on sinners.

\*Doxology

VENI EMMANUEL

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

# 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 all who work with adult education and literacy programs and in so doing offer hope and continued learning to those seeking new opportunities. Ushers bring forward a dictionary.

\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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

# SENDING FORTH

*BENEDICTION	
*Recessional Hymn 240 Hark! the Herald Angels Sing	MENDELSSOHN
Organ Postlude "Gloria" from Magnificat (Fifteen Pieces)	Dupré
Carillon	
*All who are able may stand.	

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# COMING WEEKS AT DUKE CHAPEL

MORNING PRAYER - The Monday prayer will return on January 10, 2011. COMMUNION AND HEALING - The Tuesday service will return on January 18, 2011. CHORAL VESPERS - The Thursday service will return on January 13, 2011.

## **CHAPEL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

TODAY'S FLOWERS—The wreaths on both sides of the front entrance of the Chapel, the Advent Wreath, and the red poinsettias that adorn the balustrade are made possible by the Elizabeth Lucina Gotham Memorial Endowment, established by Dr. and Mrs. James H. Semans in loving memory of Elizabeth Gotham.

TODAY'S OFFERING—All of today's cash offerings and undesignated checks will be used to support the Chapel's PathWays program that offers undergraduates and recent graduates varied opportunities to discern God's call for their lives. Our extended Lilly grant requires a 50% match from the Chapel.

ABOUT TODAY'S GUEST MUSICIANS—Women's Voices Chorus is the Triangle's only community-based classical chorus for sopranos and altos. They sing classical sacred and secular music, folk song settings, spirituals, and jazz arrangements. The chorus is committed to performing and commissioning repertoire by women composers. Dr. Allan Friedman has been directing the chorus for four years.

NC BOYS CHOIR—The North Carolina Boys Choir and Chamber Choir will present an annual Christmas Concert in the Chapel tomorrow evening at 7:30 p.m. For ticket information, please call 919-489-0291 or visit *www. ncboyschoir.org.* 

CHAPEL GOODBYE—At the end of December, we say goodbye to Mandie Sellars, who has been a vital member of the Chapel staff for 8 years. In January, she will assume the position of Director of Communications at Zoe Ministry in Garner, developing web and multimedia communications to connect African orphan groups with their sponsoring churches across the US. We are thankful to Mandie for her service to the Chapel in many roles, enhancing communications about our ministries and mission, maintaining our website, establishing relationships with the local media, and organizing events such as this year's Dean's Dialogues and art displays in the sanctuary.

Christmas Eve Services at Duke Chapel

3:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Service for Children Join the children of the Congregation for this participatory worship service including drama and music in which children and storytellers announce the birth of Christ.

> 5:30 p.m. Service of Carols and Holy Communion This evening service includes Christmas carols and Holy Communion, the Durham Children's Choir, and a sermon from Dean Sam Wells.

> > 11:00 p.m. Service of Lessons and Carols Traditional Lessons and Carols service with a large community choir, scripture, and song. Prelude begins at 10:30.

A maximum of 1650 persons will be admitted to all services, so please plan to arrive early.

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# The following Congregation opportunities are open to all.

ADULT FORUM—Adult Forum will meet next on January 16, 2011. The forum regularly meets each Sunday morning at 9:45 a.m. in Room 0012 of the Westbrook Building of the Divinity School.

GIFT CARDS FOR IHN—The Local Missions Committee is asking for donations of meals in the form of gift cards for the families supported by the Interfaith Hospitality Network. Consider gift cards from Target, Harris Teeter, Food Lion, KMart, McDonald's, Wendy's, Taco Bell, or Golden Corral. The gift cards will be collected in the narthex following worship on December 19. Please include the value of the card donation.

LIVING NATIVITY—Today at 3:00 p.m., the children of the Congregation will bring the Christmas story to life through drama and music. Put aside the holiday rush for an afternoon, and join other families at the home of Joe and Geraldine Coates to celebrate the true meaning of Christmas. The Coates' address is 1311 Lawrence Road, Hillsborough, NC. For more information, contact Sonja Tilley at 684-3917 or shtilley@congregation. chapel.duke.edu.

IHN WEEK—The Congregation will start the New Year assisting Antioch Baptist in hosting homeless families through Interfaith Hospitality Network during the week of January 2-9. If you are interested in learning more about this community outreach opportunity, please contact Marilyn Christian at 361-1974 or mchristian2@nc.rr.com.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY—Godly Play meets each Sunday at 9:45 a.m. Children entering second grade or younger meet in the crypt. Those in the third to fifth grades meet in the York Reading Room on the second floor of Duke Divinity School. For more information, please contact Sonja Tilley at shtilley@congregation.chapel.duke.edu.

YOUTH MINISTRY—Sunday school classes for youth (grades 6-12) are held in the Divinity Student Lounge at 9:45 a.m., and Youth Fellowship occurs at 5:00 p.m. each Sunday in the Chapel basement. There will be no classes on Sunday, December 26. For more information, contact the Rev. Bruce Puckett at bruce.puckett@duke.edu or 564-6993.

> UPCOMING EVENTS AT DUKE CHAPEL TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21 ~ 12:00 - 2:00 p.m. Duke Chapel by Candlelight Enjoy the beauty of the Chapel by candlelight, and enjoy seasonal organ and carillon music.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 22 ~ 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Open Rehearsal for Christmas Eve Community Choir All singers welcome

# 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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<ul> <li>† Prayer requests may be placed in the prayer box located by the Memorial Chapel.</li> <li>† For a tour of Duke Chapel, meet today's docent near the front steps of the Chapel following the service.</li> </ul>	† 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	
† 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.	<ul> <li>a place to feed, quiet, or change infants are also welcome.</li> <li>† 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.</li> </ul>	

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 684-3917. www.congregation.chapel.duke.edu.

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