Today we celebrate Epiphany, which falls on January 6th and is the climax of the Christmas season and the twelve days of Christmas. The term epiphany is Greek for “to manifest” or “to show.” The lesson from Isaiah speaks of the light that will arise upon all people and cast out the darkness. In Matthew, the wise men also follow a light—a star that guides them to the Christ child, revealing to the world that this small infant is Lord and King, worthy of praise and worship.
The congregation is asked to remain silent
during the prelude as a time of prayer and meditation.

GATHERING

CARILLON

PRELUDE

Gaudete! Gaudete! (from *Piae Cantiones*, 1582) arr. Lana Walter

He Is Born Traditional French Carol
arr. Betty Bertaux

Christ Is Here (from *Songs of the Nativity*) Ruth W. Henderson
(b.1932)

So Fair and Bright Bob Chilcott
(b.1952)

GREETING

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 254

We Three Kings KINGS OF ORIENT

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND WORDS OF ASSURANCE (in unison)

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways to the glory of your name. Amen.

The minister speaks words of assurance.

*PEACE

(All exchange signs and words of God’s peace.)

PROCLAMATION

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (in unison)

Holy Father, Creator of the heavens, who led the magi by a star to worship the Christ child:
Lead us today as we hear your word;
guide and sustain us, that we may find our journey’s end in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON—Isaiah 60:1-6 (*page 649 in the pew Bible*)

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.
*GRADUAL HYMN (stanzas 1-3, printed below)

Brightest and Best

(All turn to face the Gospel Procession.)

1. Brightest and best of the sons of the morning,
   dawn on our darkness and lend us thine aid;

2. Cold on his cradle the dew-drops are shining;
   low lies his head with the beasts of the stall;

3. Say, shall we yield him, in costly devotion,
   odors of Edom and offerings divine.

GOSPEL LESSON—Matthew 2:1-12 (pages 1-2)

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

*GRADUAL HYMN (stanzas 4-5, printed below)

Brightest and Best

Vainly we offer each ample oblation;
Vainly with gifts would his favor secure;
Richer by far is the heart’s adoration;
Dearer to God are the prayers of the poor.

Brightest and best of the sons of the morning,
Dawn on our darkness and lend us thine aid;
Star of the East, the horizon adorning
Guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

SERMON—An Unsettling Debut

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.”)

MISSION ANNOUNCEMENT

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

What Sweeter Music

Eleanor Daley
(b.1955)

What sweeter music can we bring than a carol for to sing
The birth of this our heav’nly King?
Awake the voice! Awake the string!
Dark and dull night, fly hence away, and give the honor to this day,
That sees December turn to May.
If we may ask the reason, say: We see him come,
And know him ours, who with his sunshine and his showers,
Turns all the patient ground to flowers.
The darling of the world is come,
and fit it is we find a room to welcome him.
The nobler part of all the house here is the heart,
Which we will give him and bequeath this holly and this ivy wreath,
To do him honor who’s our king, and Lord of all this reveling.

—Robert Herrick

*DOXOLOGY

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

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, Alleluia.

THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION

This morning we give thanks for the faculty of this university. We celebrate their dedication to scholarship and their commitment to students and the art of teaching. The ushers bring a doctoral cap to the altar.

In Durham we lift up those who have crossed national and international borders in search of new life. Members of a refugee family with close ties to the Congregation bring their handcrafts to the altar.

*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

(Musical Setting D, on page 23 of the hymnal)

*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. The tradition as understood at Duke Chapel is that the Holy Spirit makes Christ fully present in both the bread and the wine. If you receive only the bread, be assured that you are nonetheless in full communion with Christ and the Church.
If you would like to receive individual anointing with oil and prayers for healing, ministers will be in the Memorial Chapel during communion.

**Music During Distribution**

**Hymn 245 (sung by all)**
The First Noel

**Communion Anthem**
Fruits of the Selfless Heart
Elizabeth J. Atkinson (b. 1951)

The fruit of silence is prayer. The fruit of prayer is faith. The fruit of faith is love. The fruit of love is service. The fruit of service is peace. *Dona nobis pacem.*

—Mother Teresa of Calcutta

**Prayer After Communion**

**Sending Forth**

**Benediction**

**Recessional Hymn 240**
Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

**Prelude**
Improvisation on *WIE SCHÖN LEUCHTET*

**Carillon**

*All who are able may stand.*

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**Ministry of Worship**

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| Presiding Ministers         | The Rev. Dr. Samuel Wells  
                                  The Rev. Craig Kocher  |
| Preacher                    | The Rev. Dr. Charles Campbell  
                                  *Professor of Homiletics at Duke Divinity School*  |
| Lectors                     | Ms. Kristen Blackman  
                                  *Member of the Congregation at Duke Chapel*  
                                  Mr. Rick Keena  
                                  *Member of the Congregation at Duke Chapel*  |
| Organist                    | Dr. David Arcus  |
| Guest Choir                 | The Greensboro Youth Chorus  
                                  Ann Doyle, Artistic Director and Conductor  
                                  Nana Wolfe, Accompanist  |
| Wisemen                     | Mr. Bram Lovelace, Mr. Ben Wirzba, and Mr. Luke Wirzba  |
| Ministers of Anointing      | The Rev. Nancy Ferree-Clark  
                                  The Rev. Abby Kocher  
                                  The Rev. McKenno Shee  |
| Carillonneur                | Mr. J. Samuel Hammond  |
| Head Ushers                 | Dr. James Ferguson and Ms. Charlotte Harrison  |
ABOUT TODAY’S GUEST PREACHER

The morning we welcome the Rev. Dr. Charles L. Campbell as our guest preacher. Campbell is a Professor of Homiletics at Duke Divinity School. An ordained minister in the Presbyterian Church USA, he has degrees from Hendrix College, Union Theological Seminary in Virginia, Yale Divinity School, and Duke University. Dr. Campbell grew up in Little Rock, Arkansas. From 1982-1988 he served as pastor of First Presbyterian Church in Stuttgart, Arkansas. Dr. Campbell’s articles have appeared in numerous publications, including Theology Today, Word and World, Interpretation, and The Journal for Preachers. He is the author of three books: Preaching Jesus: New Directions for Homiletics in Hans Frei’s Postliberal Theology; The Word on the Street: Performing the Scriptures in the Urban Context (co-authored with Stanley P. Saunders); and The Word before the Powers: An Ethic of Preaching. During 2008, he served as President of the Academy of Homiletics. Dr. Campbell and his wife, Dana, have two adult children, Lydia and Thomas.

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The following Congregation opportunities are open to all.

CONGREGATION EPHESUS PARTY—The Congregation’s annual Epiphany party will be held today at 12:30 p.m. at Cranford House, the home of Dean Wells and his family, 704 N. Buchanan Blvd. in Durham. Members are asked to bring salads or desserts. No reservations required.

SECOND SUNDAY COFFEE HOUR—Next Sunday, January 11, the Congregation will host its monthly coffee hour at 9:45 a.m. in the Chapel kitchen immediately prior to the worship service. Please join in this time of food and fellowship.

NEW SMALL GROUPS—The Adult Education Committee has announced new classes and book groups for the spring semester. If you would like to enroll please contact the instructor or call 684-3917. 1) Invitation to Romans is an 8-week study starting January 12 at 7:00 p.m., led by the Rev. Gaston Warner at g.warner@duke.edu; 2) Introduction to the Psalms is an 11-week study starting January 13 at 7:00 p.m., led by the Rev. McKennon Shea at tms19@duke.edu; 3) a book group to discuss Speaking the Truth: Preaching in a Pluralistic Culture by Sam Wells will be led by Rev. Rebekah Eklund, starting January 8 at 7:00 p.m.; 4) a book group to discuss A Moral Climate: The Ethics of Global Warming, by Michael Northcott, will be led by Rev. Nancy Ferree-Clark nancyf@duke.edu starting on January 27 at 7:00 p.m.; 5) A women’s book group to discuss What is the Point of Being a Christian? by Timothy Radcliffe will be led Marsha Altmeyer kufarae@yahoo.com and the Rev. Barbara Scott starting in February; 6) Transforming Discipleship is a 6-week Lenten study starting February 26 at 12:15 p.m., led by the Rev. Nancy Ferree-Clark.
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. The wreaths on either side of the front entrance to 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—Today’s Mission of the Month will go to the initiation of an educational fund for the Congregation’s Montagnard refugees. Five and a half years ago the Congregation sponsored Tok Sui and his wife Bui Ksor (both aged 19). Tok and Bui recently became U.S. citizens. They hold full time jobs and are making mortgage payments on a house. The Congregation has recently taken on sponsorship of three of Tok’s brothers-in-law who speak no English and who live with Tok and Bui. We hope to raise funds for Tok, Bui, and the recent arrivals to take classes at Durham Tech in English and in trades so that they can find employment that will take them beyond minimum wage jobs so that they can experience more fully all that this country has to offer them and their families.

CLASSES RESUME AND WEEKLY WORSHIP SCHEDULE—Duke undergraduate classes resume on Wednesday, January 7. Morning Prayer will resume its daily schedule at 9:00 a.m. beginning on Wednesday. The Choral Vespers service will have its first service of the semester on Thursday, January 8, at 5:15 p.m.

CHORAL VESPERS ENSEMBLE CONCERT—On Sunday, January 11, at 4:00 p.m. the Vespers Ensemble will present their European Tour Concert in Duke Chapel. The concert will feature German and Czech Renaissance music, German and American carols, and the American premiere of Paul Leary’s Dum medium silentium. The admission is free.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT SERIES—Join Dean Wells and The Wave Church for “Godly Play” on January 11, 2009. Join the group for dinner from 6:00-6:45 p.m. and Godly Play to follow from 6:45-8:00 p.m. Duke Chapel’s Community Engagement series offers opportunities for those involved in the life of Duke Chapel to grow in faith together with downtown Durham neighborhoods and congregations. As Duke Chapel deepens its commitment to seek the welfare of the city of Durham, we hope these encounters will foster meaningful and transformational relationships in our community. The Wave Church is located at 2605 Carver Street. Please contact Karen Witzleben at kwitz@earthlink.net or 493-9178 and also let her know if you can contribute a dessert.

DUKE CHAPEL EVENTS LISTSERV—If you would like to receive emails about upcoming events sponsored by Duke Chapel, such as concerts, talks, special worship services, and more, please visit www.chapel.duke.edu/calendar, or send an email to Mandie Sellars at mandie.sellars@duke.edu.
FOR WORSHIPERS & 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.

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. Nancy Ferree-Clark at 684-3917. www.congregation.chapel.duke.edu

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