Today is Transfiguration Sunday, which marks the last Sunday before the season of Lent. On this Sunday, we read texts that link Epiphany and Lent. The gospel lesson repeats the proclamation from Jesus’ baptism, “This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased.” Transfiguration Sunday also represents the turning point where Jesus leaves his ministry in Galilee and turns towards Jerusalem and the cross. In this we are invited to reflect upon Jesus’ identity through the revelations of the season of Epiphany and the Lenten journey to his death on Good Friday. This morning we also welcome Trinity sophomore Gregory Morrison as our student preacher.
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 also 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

ORGAN PRELUDE

L’Apparition de l’église éternelle Oliver Messiaen (1908-1992)

INTROIT

O nata lux de lumine Thomas Tallis (1505-1585)

O nata lux de lumine, Jesu redemptor saeculi,
Dignare clemens supplicum laudes preces que sumere.
Qui carne quondam contegi dignatus es pro perditis,
Nos membra confer effici, tui beati corporis.

O light born of light, Jesus, the savior of our age,
Graciously be pleased to receive the prayers and praises of your servants.
You, who in time, deigned to be clothed in flesh for those who were abandoned, grant that we may become the members of your blessed body.

GREETING

*PROCESIONAL HYMNS 173 and 451

Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Sky Ratisbon
Be Thou My Vision Slane

*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 God, you know the disorder of our sinful lives:
as we hear your word today, transfigure our twisted hearts,
and bend our wills to love your goodness and your glory
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PSALM—Psalm 50:1-6 (pages 783-84 in the hymnal)

GLORIA

Leader: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
People: and to the Holy Spirit.
Leader: As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
People: world without end. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON—2 Kings 2:1-12 (page 317 in the pew Bible)

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

ANTHEM

Then Did Elijah (from Elijah)       Felix Mendelssohn
(from Elijah)       Felix Mendelssohn
(1809-1847)

Then did Elijah the prophet break forth like a fire; his words appeared like burning torches. Mighty kings by him were overthrown. He stood on the mount of Sinai, and heard the judgments of the future, and in Horeb, its vengeance. And when the Lord would take him away to heaven, Lo! there came a fiery chariot, with fiery horses; and he went by a whirlwind to heaven.

—Ecclesiasticus 48.1, 6, 7; 2 Kings 2:1, 11

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON—2 Corinthians 4:3-6 (pages 169-70)

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

GRADUAL HYMN 258 (stanzas 1-2)

O Wondrous Sight! O Vision Fair
(All turn to face the Gospel Procession.)

GOSPEL LESSON—Mark 9:2-9 (pages 41-42)

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

GRADUAL HYMN 258 (stanzas 3-5)

O Wondrous Sight! O Vision Fair

SERMON—Children of the Transfiguration

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 ANTHEM**

Magnificat

David Arcus  
(b. 1959)

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 for ever. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.  

—Luke 1:46-55

**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**

Today we offer thanks for the Department of Theater Studies. We celebrate the ways in which the art of theater enlivens our imaginations and cultivates a spirit of playfulness in our lives. The ushers bring forward a book on improvisation and a playbill to the altar.

In Durham we lift up those who have been scarred by unhealthy relationships. A representative brings forward a purple ribbon, symbolizing solidarity with victims and survivors of domestic abuse, and a blue ribbon, symbolizing solidarity with victims and survivors of child abuse.
*Prayer of Thanksgiving

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

Sending Forth

*Benediction

*Recessional Hymn 90
Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones

*Choral Blessing
God Be in My Head

John Rutter (b. 1945)

God be in my head and in my understanding. God be in mine eyes and in my looking. God be in my mouth and in my speaking. God be in my heart and in my thinking. God be at my end and in my departing.

Organ Postlude
Improvisation on the Te Deum
Charles Tournemire (1870-1939)
Reconstructed by Maurice Duruflé (1902-1986)

Carillon

*All who are able may stand.

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This Week at Duke Chapel

Morning Prayer - Weekdays at 9:00 a.m. in the Memorial Chapel
Communion and Healing - Tuesdays at 5:15 p.m. in the Memorial Chapel
Ash Wednesday Services - Wednesday at 8:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.
Choral Vespers - Thursdays at 5:15 p.m. in the Chancel
ABOUT TODAY’S STUDENT PREACHER

This morning we welcome Gregory Morrison as the Chapel’s student preacher for 2009. Gregory is a Trinity sophomore double majoring in Public Policy and History. He is co-editor of Religio, Duke’s undergraduate journal of Christian thought. On campus, Gregory is the President Pro Tem of the Duke Student Government Senate and one of Duke Democrats’ vice presidents. In the Chapel, he is a lector and communion server. Last summer, he interned in the Capitol Hill offices of Senator Lindsey Graham and Congressman Jim Clyburn. This coming summer, Gregory is going to Uganda with DukeEngage to implement strategies preventing the spread of malaria and HIV/AIDS. In his spare time, he enjoys reading, traveling, and golfing. After he graduates, Gregory hopes to attend law school.

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The following Congregation opportunities are open to all.

ADULT FORUM—On March 1, the Rev. McKennon Shea and the Mission Team will describe their trip to Haiti. The forum will be held in Room 0012 of the Westbrook Building at 9:45 a.m.

DURHAM CROP WALK—The Durham CROP Hunger Walk will begin in front of Duke Chapel on Sunday, March 22. This walk raises awareness for hunger issues both local and in the world while the money raised is divided between the work of Church World Service and local organizations that help to address issues of hunger and poverty. Please consider signing up to participate or sponsor another walker. For more information, or to sign up, contact Dave Vos at dlvos@earthlink.net.

LENTEN STUDY—During the season of Lent, the Rev. Nancy Ferree-Clark will be leading a Lenten Bible Study called “Transforming Discipleship.” It starts on Thursday, February 26, at 12:15 p.m. Through the study of scripture, reflection exercises, and prayer, this group will focus on the meaning of authentic Christian spirituality. Meetings will be held at the Episcopal Student Center, 505 Alexander Avenue. The deadline for registration is February 18. For more information contact the Rev. Ferree-Clark at nancyfc@duke.edu or call 684-3917.

URBAN MINISTRIES DINNER—The Congregation serves dinner once each month to approximately 250 homeless people at the Urban Ministries Center in downtown Durham. The next dinner is scheduled for this Wednesday, February 25. You can support this ministry by dropping off a hot party-sized lasagna, helping to serve the meal, or helping to shop. If you are able to help, please contact Ned Arnett at 489-4133 or edward.arnett@duke.edu.
FLOWERS—The flowers for the worship service today are given for the glory of God by the Erlenbach Family Trust.

TODAY’S OFFERING—All of today’s cash offerings and undesignated checks will be used for the Chapel Development Fund, which is the primary source of contributed funds for building care and preservation. The Chapel fulfills James B. Duke’s desire that the building exert a profound influence on the lives of the young women and men who attend the university.

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES—Duke Chapel will have two services (8:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.) on Ash Wednesday, February 25. The Rev. Craig Kocher will offer a homily, and there will be an opportunity to receive the imposition of ashes. The 5:30 p.m. service will include the Duke Vespers Ensemble. Ash Wednesday marks the first day of the season of Lent, which occurs 40 days prior to Easter Sunday (not including the 6 Sundays, which are considered feast days and not counted as days of penance). Lent is traditionally a season of repentance and fasting.

REFEKTORY BRUNCH—Beginning today, the Refectory Cafe at Duke Divinity School will start serving brunch every Sunday until 3:00 p.m. Cash, flex, and food points accepted (but no credit cards).

PATHWAYS HOUSE RESIDENCY APPLICATIONS—Join members of the PathWays house for dinner on Tuesday nights to learn what it is like to live in the PathWays House. Residency applications are now being accepted for rising juniors and seniors who are interested in living in intentional Christian community during the 2009-10 academic year. PathWays internship and Lilly fellowship applications are also being accepted. If you have questions or would like to RSVP for a Tuesday dinner, please contact PathWays Director Keith Daniel at kd1@duke.edu.

ORGAN RECITAL—Daniel Roth, one of the leading French organ virtuosos of our time, will present a recital in Duke Chapel next Sunday, March 1, at 5:00 p.m. Since 1985 he has been the Titular Organist at St. Sulpice in Paris, where the illustrious list of his predecessors includes Charles-Marie Widor and Marcel Dupré. His recital will consist exclusively of French music and an improvisation. The program is dedicated to the memory of Fenner Douglass, former Duke University Organist.

AEOLIAN DEDICATION RECITAL ONLINE—If you are interested in watching the webcast of the rededication of the McClendon organ from February 8, 2009, which featured University organist, Robert Parkins, and Chapel organist, David Arcus, please visit www.duke.edu/web/chapel/index.html.

SERMONS AVAILABLE—Copies of today’s sermon are available in the communication stands at either side of the narthex, just after you enter 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.
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