

DUKE  
UNIVERSITY  
CHAPEL

Christmas Eve  
Service of Carols and  
Holy Communion  
December 24, 2010  
Five-thirty in the evening

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

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*"Dawn," by Eric Gill, 1929.*

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 family this season, we seek to capture the joy and wonder of the original gift of Christmas: God, out of his lavish abundance, came 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  
Noël grands jeux et duo

Louis-Claude d'Acquin  
(1694-1772)

Christmas Chorale Preludes  
Two settings of "From Heaven High to Earth I Come"  
Three settings of "In dulci jubilo"

J. S. Bach

### CHORAL PRELUDE

Sing We Now of Christmas

French Carol  
arr. Martin Shaw

Snow Carol

German Carol  
arr. Audrey Snyder

The Angel Choir and the Trumpeter

Chris Dedrick  
arr. John Leavitt

### GREETING

#### \*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 234

O Come, All Ye Faithful

ADESTE FIDELES

## 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.**

#### \*GOSPEL LESSON—John 1:1-14 (*NT page 86 in the pew Bible*)

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON—The Most Important Word

## 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 ANTHEM

Gesù Bambino

Pietro A. Yon  
(1886-1943)

arr. Linda Spevacek

When blossoms flowered amid the snows upon a winter night,  
Was born the Child, the Christmas rose, the King of Love and light.  
The angels sang, the shepherds sang, the grateful earth rejoiced.  
And at his blessed birth the stars their exultation voiced.  
O come let us adore him, Christ, the Lord.  
Again the heart with rapture glows to greet the holy night  
That gave the world its Christmas Rose, its King of Love and Light.  
Let every voice acclaim his name, the grateful chorus swell.  
From paradise to earth he came that we with him might dwell.  
O come let us adore him, Christ the Lord.

The Friendly Beasts

French Carol  
arr. Carlton R. Young

Jesus, our brother, strong and good,  
Was humbly born in a stable rude,  
And the friendly beasts around him stood.  
I, said the donkey, shaggy and brown,  
I carried his mother uphill and down,  
I carried his mother to Bethlehem town.  
I, said the cow, all white and red,  
I gave him my manger for his bed,  
I gave him my hay to pillow his head.  
I, said the sheep with curly horn,  
I gave him my wool for his blanket warm,  
He wore my coat on Christmas morn.  
I, said the dove from the rafters high,  
I cooed him to sleep that he should not cry,  
We cooed him to sleep, my mate and I.  
Thus all the beasts, by some good spell,  
In the stable dark were glad to tell  
Of the gifts they gave Emmanuel.

\*DOXOLOGY

**Gloria in excelsis Deo!**  
*(Repeat refrain as needed.)*

GLORIA

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. 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 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 217  
Away in a Manger  
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HYMN 240  
Hark! the Herald Angels Sing  
MENDELSSOHN

HYMN 239  
Silent Night, Holy Night  
STILLE NACHT

HYMN 230  
O Little Town of Bethlehem  
ST. LOUIS

\*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

## SENDING FORTH

\*BENEDICTION

\*RECESSIONAL HYMN 246  
Joy to the World  
ANTIOCH

## POSTLUDE

Improvisation on ANTIOCH and John Gardner's DANCING DAY

*\*All who are able may stand.*

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## MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Presiding Ministers	The Rev. Bruce Puckett Dr. Christy Lohr Sapp
Preacher	The Rev. Dr. Samuel Wells
Lector	Mr. Frank Coble
Organist	Dr. David Arcus
Guest Choir	The Durham Children's Choir
Soloist	Mr. Grey Lehman, soprano
Guest Choir Director	Ms. Scott Hill and Ms. Dena Byers
Accompanists	Ms. Marina Garbutt and Mr. Christopher Camitta
Guest Musicians	DCCB Pure Brass Quintet Ms. Kathy Silbiger and Mr. Jack Walker, trumpets Mr. Tom Shaffer, french horn Mr. Blair Chesnut, trombone Mr. Bill Austin, tuba
Ministers of Anointing	The Rev. Kori Jones Dr. Christy Lohr Sapp The Rev. Robin Arcus
Carillonneur	Mr. J. Samuel Hammond
Head Ushers	Mr. Leroy McRae and Mr. Charles Roedel

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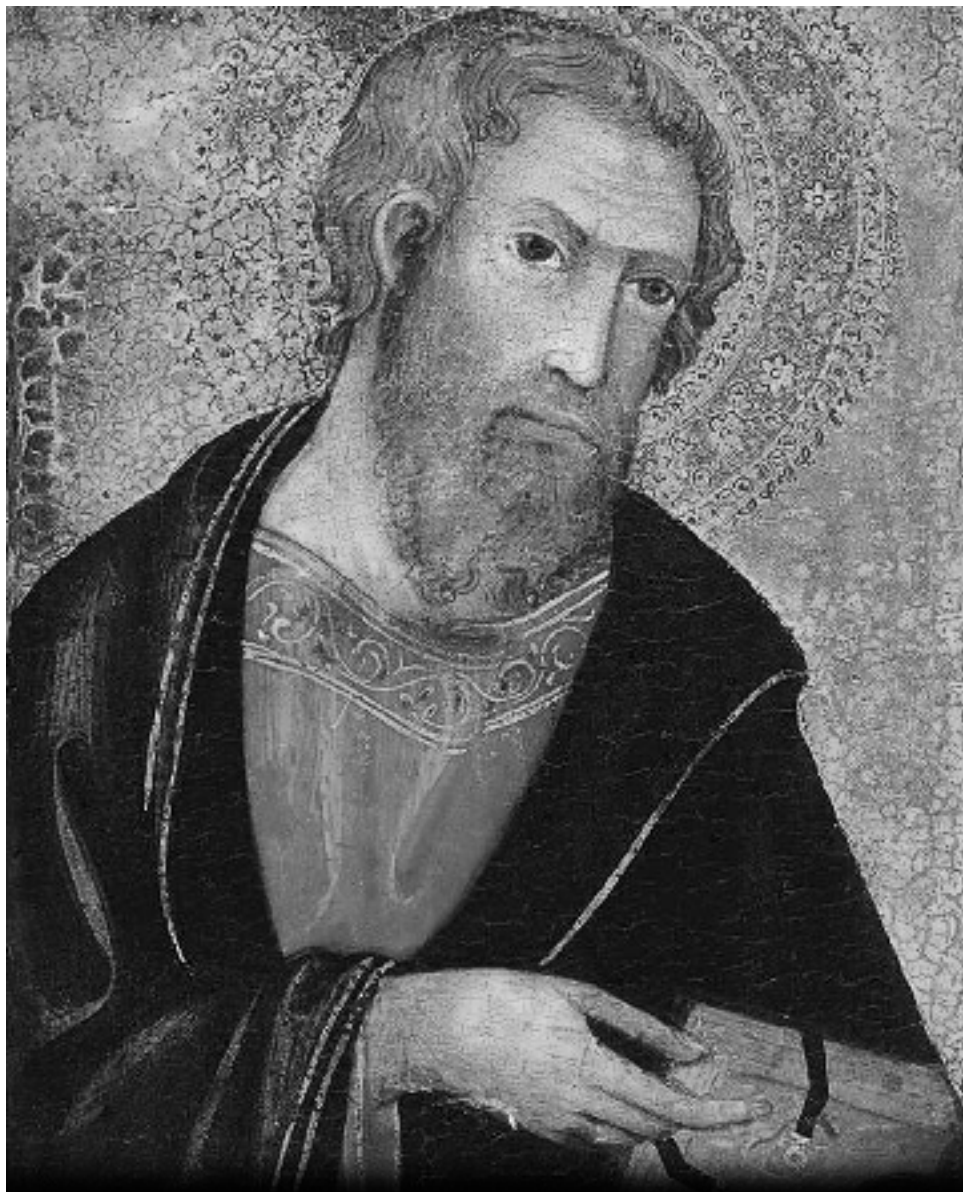
## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**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](http://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 service 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 seventh 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 in Blanchard, Haiti.

**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](http://www.chapel.duke.edu).



FELIX MENDELSSOHN

# *St. Paul*

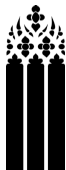
Duke Chapel Choir, Duke Chorale, and Orchestra

Rodney Wynkoop, *conductor*

Sunday, April 3, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. in Duke University Chapel

*Tickets on sale in February 2011 at [www.tickets.duke.edu](http://www.tickets.duke.edu)*





## 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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### 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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