



DUKE  
UNIVERSITY  
CHAPEL

# Service of Worship

First Sunday of Christmas

December 28, 2008

Eleven o'clock in the morning

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

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*"Presentation of Jesus in the Temple," by Rembrandt, 1627*

With the birth of the infant Jesus, we are invited to place our hope in a future that is claimed and redeemed by God. Isaiah speaks of being clothed in garments of salvation, echoing the image of a wedding garment, which brings to mind great celebration. Galatians emphasizes the adoption we experience through Christ, in which we are no longer experience being slaves of the law, but instead we know the joy of being beloved children of God. In Luke, Simeon and Anna are both prophets who sense the promise and hope of the infant Jesus for the redemption of Isreal.

*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

### ORGAN PRELUDE

La Nativité du Seigneur	Olivier Messiaen
Les Bergers	(1908 - 1992)

### PRELUDE

Gesù Bambino	Pietro Yon (1886-1943) arr. Jean Simpson
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Christmas Renaissance and Exultations Good King Wenceslas	arr. Catherine McMichael 16 <sup>th</sup> century English Carol
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Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming	German Carol (c.1599)
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Go, Tell It on the Mountain	American Spiritual
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Hark! The Herald Angels Sing	Felix Mendelssohn
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Joy to the World	Lowell Mason
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### GREETING

#### \*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 237

Sing We Now of Christmas	FRENCH CAROL
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#### \*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*)

**Holy Trinity, eternal unity of perfect love:  
as we hear your word today, gather the nations to be one family,  
and draw us into your holy life through the birth of Emmanuel,  
our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON—Isaiah 61:10-62:3 (*page 650-51 in the pew Bible*)

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM—Psalm 148:1-14 (*read responsively, page 861-2 in the hymnal*)

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

Sleep, My Baby

Celtic Lullaby, “Suo Gan”  
(c.1800)  
arr. Ann Cameron Pearce

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON—Galatians 4:4-7 (*page 178*)

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

\*GRADUAL HYMN 226 (*stanza 1*)

My Master, See, the Time Has Come  
(*All turn to face the Gospel Procession.*)

MORNING SONG

\*GOSPEL LESSON—Luke 2:22-40 (*page 55*)

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

\*GRADUAL HYMN 226 (*stanza 2*)

My Master, See, the Time Has Come

MORNING SONG

SERMON—Holding the Future

## 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

What Child Is This

16<sup>th</sup> century English Carol  
arr. Catherine McMichael

\*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

*This morning we give thanks for the Duke University Management Company (DUMAC). We celebrate its dedication and prudence in carefully managing the endowment and financial resources that preserve the University's future. The ushers bring an investment portfolio to the altar.*

*In Durham, we lift up those people 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)*

SENDING FORTH

\*BENEDICTION

\*RECESSIONAL HYMN 220

Angels from the Realms of Glory

REGENT SQUARE

POSTLUDE

Noel X

Grand Jeu et Duo

Louis-Claude D'Aquin  
(1694-1772)

*\*All who are able may stand.*

CONGREGATION EPIPHANY PARTY

The Congregation's annual Epiphany party will be held on Sunday, January 4, 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.

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## MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Presiding Ministers	The Rev. Keith Daniel
Preacher	The Rev. Nancy Ferree-Clark
Lectors	The Rev. Dr. Bob Claytor <i>Member of the Congregation at Duke Chapel</i> Ms. Ira Mueller <i>Member of the Congregation at Duke Chapel</i>
Organists	Ms. Elizabeth Clark (prelude) Dr. Thomas B. Clark
Guest Musicians	The Raleigh Flute Choir
Presiding Minister over Memorial Chapel Communion	The Rev. Keith Daniel
Head Ushers	Mr. Leroy McCrae and Mr. Charlie Roedel

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## CHAPEL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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—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.

ABOUT TODAY'S GUEST MUSICIANS—Since its founding in 1986, the Raleigh Flute Choir has been inspiring audiences of all types with their extensive and polished repertoire. Some of their significant venues over the years have been the Biltmore Estate, Colonial Williamsburg, Piccolo Spoleto in Charleston, the National Flute Association Convention, and The White House Christmas celebrations. For more information, please visit [www.RaleighFlutes.org/RFC](http://www.RaleighFlutes.org/RFC)

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT SERIES—Join Dean Wells and The Wave Church for "Godly Play" on January 11, 2009. Join us 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 St. Please RSVP to Karen Witzleben at [kwitz@earthlink.net](mailto:kwitz@earthlink.net) or 493-9178 and also let her know if you can contribute a dessert.



## 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.
- † 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](http://www.congregation.chapel.duke.edu)*

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