Goodson Chapel, Duke Divinity School

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

Wednesday, February 21, 2007 Ten o'clock in the Morning

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader Beneath the cross of Jesus,

People: We have come to take our stand.

Leader Beneath the cross of Jesus,

People: His love makes us able to stand: Leader Able to stand free of condemnation;

People: Able to stand for justice and compassion.

Leader Come, O Lord, and make us strong **People: Beneath the cross of Jesus. Amen.**

*OPENING HYMN UMH No. 297

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

ST CHRISTOPHER

*OPENING PRAYER (in unison)

O God, maker of every thing and judge of all that you have made, from the dust of earth you have formed us and from the dust of death you would raise us up. By the redemptive power of the cross, create in us clean hearts and put within us a new spirit, that we may repent of our sins and lead lives worthy of your calling; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Joel 2:1-2, 12-17

GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

SERMON

Getting God's Attention

INVITATION TO THE OBSERVANCE OF LENTEN DISCIPLINE

THANKSGIVING OVER THE ASHES

IMPOSITION OF ASHES

PRAYER OF CONFESSION UMH No. 785

Psalm 51 1-17

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

UMH p.13

**SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

MUSIC DURING DISTRIBUTION

Adagio molto espressivo (from Concerto in C Minor)

Johann Christian Bach (1735-1782)

PRAYER FOLLOWING COMMUNION

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*BENEDICTION

All are invited to remain for prayer and reflection. Please depart in silence.

* All who are able please stand.

** The communion elements are bread and grape juice.

Today's Call to Worship is from homileticsonline.com and the Opening Prayer is from UMH No. 353.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher: Dr Anathea Portier-Young, Assistant Professor of Old Testament
Celebrant: Bishop Kenneth L. Carder, Professor of the Practice of Pastoral Formation
Lector/Liturgist: Adam Grosch, Senior M.Div
Imposition of Ashes: Rev Sally Bates, Rev Melanie Dobson-Hughes,
Rev Jeff Conklin-Miller, & Rev Andrew Thompson
Cellist: Ann Sundberg, Junior M.Div
Organist & Pianist: Dr David Arcus, Chapel Organist and Associate University Organist

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

This week in Goodson Chapel:

Service of the Word: Thursday, February 22nd, 10:00 am, Dr Randy Maddox, Associate Dean for Faculty Development & Professor of Theology and Wesleyan Studies, preaching.

The Friday Service: Friday, February 23rd, 2:30 pm, A Service of Prayer, Praise and Eucharist, Rev Sally Bates, celebrating.

Wednesday, February 28th, the Divinity School Choir, under the direction of Dr. Allan Friedman will present *Gospel Mass* by Robert Ray, accompanied by piano, bass and drums and featuring solos by Blair Boyd, Luke Farmer, Lauren Kilbourn, Matt Rawle, and Jessie Squires. Dr Ed Phillips will celebrate Eucharist. Please join us for this joyful service of Word and Table.

Morning Prayer is held weekly in Goodson Chapel 8:10-8:30 am. We are united with Christians throughout the world in this daily rite from the *Book of Common Prayer* Please note the change in time, we are beginning 10 minutes early this semester in order to accommodate 8:40 am classes. Contact Matt Marston (matthew.marston@duke.edu) for more information.

Do you wish to learn more about morning prayer? Come have your questions answered: What is a canticle? Why do we face the cross during the Apostle's Creed? Where did this all come from? How can I be more open to the Spirit's work in me during morning prayer?

Catechesis of Morning Prayer (BCP), Part II with Dr Jo Bailey Wells

TODAY!!! Wednesday, Feb 21, 12:20-1:20, Room 042L (bring your lunch)

Our Praise and Worship Team ministers for the Friday Service, with Gospel/Praise selections. Please contact Gail Bantum (gail.bantum@duke.edu) if you would like to be part of this musical ensemble. The group rehearses once a week and new singers and musicians are always welcome.

Would you like to be a lector, liturgist, or communion server in worship? Contact Stacy Pell (stacy pell@duke.edu) to get on the "call list."