
Goodson Chapel, Duke Divinity School
SERVICE OF WORD & TABLE
Wednesday, February 20, 2008
Ten o'clock in the Morning

INTROIT

Create in Me a Clean Heart

Terry Talbot

***OPENING SENTENCES**

Leader: I lift up my eyes to the hills. From whence does my help come?

People: My help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

Leader: The Lord will not let your foot be moved, the Lord who keeps you will not slumber

People: Behold, the One who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

Leader: The Lord is your keeper;

People: the Lord is your shade on your right hand.

Leader: The sun shall not smite you by day,

People: nor the moon by night.

Leader: The Lord will keep you from all evil, and will keep your life.

All: The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and for evermore.

***OPENING PRAYER (in unison)**

O eternal God, in whose appointment our life stands, and who committed our work to us, we commit our cares to you. We thank you that we are your children, and that you have assured us that, while we are intent upon your will, you will heed our wants. Fill us with that compassion for others' troubles which comes from forgetfulness of our own; with the charity of those who know their own unworthiness; and with the glad hope of the children of eternity. And to you, the Beginning and the End, Lord of the living, Refuge of the dying, be thanks and praise forever. Amen.

***OPENING HYMN UMH NO. 184**

Of the Father's Love Begotten

DIVINUM MYSTERIUM

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Genesis 12:1-4a

***GOSPEL LESSON**

John 3:1-17

SERMON

The Giving Tree

WORDS OF INVITATION TO THE TABLE

UMH p. 12

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not been attentive to your call in our lives. Nor have we heeded the call of the needy around us. Most of all, we have been slow to believe and to receive the renewing breath of your Spirit. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

***GREAT THANKSGIVING**

Musical Setting D, UMH pg. 23

**** SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP**

COMMUNION HYMN UMH NO. 616

Come, Sinners, to the Gospel Feast

HURSLEY

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.

CLOSING HYMN UMH NO. 554

All Praise to Our Redeeming Lord (stanzas 1, 3, 6)

ARMENIA

COMMISSIONING OF BASIN & TOWEL VOLUNTEERS

Leader: All who take upon themselves the name of Christ are called into ministries of love and service by the example of Christ. As these members of our community begin their work among the people of Durham, we pray the blessings of God and this community upon their endeavors.

Congregation: We recognize you as ambassadors of Duke Divinity School in ministry with the people of Durham and dedicate you to service in the name of Jesus Christ. Through our prayers we will be united with you in your work. May God richly bless your labors.

Leader Let us affirm our belief in the responsibilities of Christian service by saying together.
Congregation: We believe in God, Creator of the world; and in Jesus Christ, the Redeemer of creation. We believe in the Holy Spirit, through whom we acknowledge God's gifts. We commit ourselves to the rights and dignity of all persons and to the improvement of the quality of life. We dedicate ourselves to peace throughout the world and to the rule of justice and law among all nations. We believe in the present and final triumph of God's Word in human affairs, and gladly accept our commission to manifest the life of the gospel in the world.

*BENEDICTION

* Please stand as you are able.

** The Communion elements are bread and grape juice.

The Opening Sentences are taken from Psalm 121

The Opening Prayer is taken from the United Methodist Book of Worship No. 512.

The commissioning liturgy is taken from the United Methodist Book of Worship page 592.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher: Seann Duffin, Senior M.Div

Celebrant: Dr. Randy Maddox, Associate Dean for Faculty Development,
Professor of Theology and Wesleyan Studies

Lector: Stephanie Lind, Senior M.Div

Liturgist: Rev Sally Bates, Chaplain

Vocalists: Gannon Sims, Middler MDiv; Ann Sundberg, Middler MDiv

Accompanist: Dr. David Arcus, Chapel Organist and Associate University Organist

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

This week in Goodson Chapel:

- **Thursday, February 21, 2008, International Service of The Word 10AM;** Preacher: Rev Sifiso Khuzwayo, candidate for Th.M.
- **Friday, February 22, 2008, 2:30PM** Service in the Revivalist Tradition, Preacher: Dr. Maurice Wallace, associate professor of English and African and African American studies.

DDS Community Lenten Discipline: Operation Sharehouse

What: Join together for Lent: "**Giving up and giving to**". The Divinity School Council, The Chaplain's Office and the Office of Student Life invite the Divinity School community to join together this Lent in a common discipline of both sacrifice and offering, of "giving up" and "giving to." We are teaming up to participate in **Operation Sharehouse**, a powerful new hunger response program. Sponsored by *Stop Hunger Now*, Operation Sharehouse uses volunteers to package food-dehydrated, fortified rice-soy meals especially formulated for the undernourished-and ship it to orphanage and school feeding programs in developing countries. For more information concerning Operation Sharehouse visit: <http://stophungernow.org>.

Who: **At least 25 more volunteers are needed to volunteer to be PACKERS** to donate money (\$40) for shipping and to help package the food to be sent.

If you would like to volunteer as a donor or a packer, please see Cheri Benjamin!

When: The packing will take place on March 29.

RENOVARÉ is sponsoring a Regional Conference on Spiritual Renewal, Friday and Saturday, February 29 and March 1, 2008 at the Chapel Hill Bible Church. The conference will feature Renovare's founder, Richard J Foster, the author of "Celebration of Discipline," and Renovare President, Chris Webb. This joyous worship-packed conference will give Christians of all denominations a plan for revitalizing, deepening, and renewing their relationship with Jesus.Christ. Registration for full time students is \$40 per person. Download a printable registration form at www.biblechurch.org/renovare.

Prayer and Praise Opportunities

- **Morning Prayer** is held weekly in Goodson Chapel 8:00-8:30 am. We are united with Christians throughout the world in this daily service, using the rite from the Book of Common Prayer. Contact Sam Keyes (samuel.keyes@duke.edu) for more information.
- Our **Praise and Worship Team** and our new **Divinity Gospel Choir** minister for the Friday service! These groups rehearse from 1:00 to 2:15 pm on Thursday afternoons on alternating weeks. The Praise and Worship Group meets and sings for the services in the 1st and 3rd weeks, the Gospel Choir meets and sings for services in the 2nd and 4th weeks. Come join us, every week or when you can – all are welcome. Gannon Sims is the contact for the Praise and Worship Team, and Paul Atlas is the contact for our new Gospel Choir.
- The **Intercessory Prayer Team** is part of the Community Care Team of the Chaplain's office. The team's goal is to pray for the needs and concerns of the Duke Divinity School students, staff and faculty. If you feel led to pray for others and value the concerns of your local DDS community, pray about this opportunity to "stand in agreement with others," and support your community with your prayers. If you are interested in joining the Intercessory Prayer Team, please e-mail Tolu Sosanya at tos@duke.edu. The team will meet on Fridays at 12:30 pm in 0011 Westbrook.