Goodson Chapel, Duke Divinity School

SERVICE OF THE WORD Thursday, March 27, 2008 Ten o'clock in the Morning

PRELUDE

*OPENING SENTENCES

One: The LORD is our strength and our song; he has become our salvation. Shouts of joy and victory

resound in the tents of the righteous: The LORD's right hand has done mighty things!

All: The LORD's right hand is lifted high! The LORD's right hand has done mighty things!"

We will not die but live, and will proclaim what the LORD has done.

*OPENING PRAYER

O God, you are the womb of life and the source of our being, who has loved us from the beginning. We praise you. As we, your children, gather around the table that you prepare, awaken our hearts to the stories, the tears, and the laughter that we all share together and allow us to see your mighty hand in them. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN, UMH No. 370

Victory in Jesus

HARTFORD

EPISTLE LESSON

Colossians 3:1-4

ANTHEM

Hal'luhu (Psalm 150)

Benjie-Ellen Schiller

Praise the Lord in his sacred places, praise him in the firmament of his power Praise him for his mighty acts, praise him according to his excellent greatness. Praise him with the sound of the trumpet, praise him with the sound of the harp. Praise him with the timbrel and dance, praise him with strings and pipes. Praise him with cymbals high-sounding, praise him with cymbals of joy. Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord.

GOSPEL LESSON

John 20:1-18

SERMON

ACT OF RESPONSE: PRESENTATION OF THE BREADS

BLESSING OF THE BREADS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND RECONCILIATION

One: Together let us confess our sins before God.

All: Merciful God, we recognize that even having a variety of breads available to us is a representation of our privilege. We individually and communally confess to our participation in structures that marginalize "the least of these" who so often are women and children. Forgive us, Holy One, when we have chosen to remain ignorant, felt justified in our comfort, or believed that you could not use us to change systems that oppress others, or even ourselves. We pray for sensitivity and a heightened awareness of these realities and the courage and creativity to do something about it.

(Silent reflection and prayer)

One: Let us continue in prayer, saying,

All: Reconcile and bind us as the various parts of your body so that we may live and grow in love for you and one another. Nourish your children spiritually and physically and allow us to embody and enact peace in the world, living out the vocation of justice to which you have called us all. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

*BLESSING AND SENDING FORTH

*RECESSIONAL HYMN, UMH No. 557

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

DENNIS

*Please stand as you are able.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher: Tabatha Lennon, Senior, M.Div

Lector: Kamille Williams, Middler, M.Div., Kaneasha Shackleford, Middler, M.Div;

and Jennifer Manis, Junior, M.Div

Liturgist: Jessie Squires, Middler M.Div

Readers: Kamille Williams Middler, M.Div; Christa Mazzone-Palmberg, Middler, M.Div; Heather Rodrigues Middler, M.Div, Leslie Nambo Middler, M.Div; Emma Akpan, Junior, M.Div, Valeria Mayo, Junior, M.Div., Katie Stubblefield, Middler, M.Div., Anne Wagoner, Middler M.Div., Kadia Edwards, Senior, M.Div., and Stephanie Neve, Middler, M.Div

Organist & Pianist: Dr. David Arcus, Chapel Organist and Associate University Organist Conductor Dr. Allan Friedman, Assistant Conductor and Administrative Coordinator for Chapel Music Choir Divinity School Choir

Instrumentalists. Thera Freeman, Senior M.Div., drums; Kevin M. Johnson, Junior M.Div guitar Chaplain Interns. Emily Dueitt, Stuart Harrell, Gannon Sims, Ann Sundberg.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Duke Divinity Women's Center would like to invite you to please join us for these Women's Week Events:

- Women's Week Potluck, Thursday, March 27th, 7:15pm. All are welcome to join in the fellowship. For more information and to RSVP, please email Christa.Mazzone@duke.edu.
- Friday, March 28: The Friday Service, Goodson Chapel, 2:30 p.m., Dr Mary McClintock Fulkerson, Professor of Theology, preaching

Next Week: The 2008 M.L. King Lecturer, Dr. Demetrius K. Williams, Adjunct Professor of theology at Marquette University and visiting Professor at Central Baptist Theological School of Shawnee, Kansas at its Milwaukee Center, will preach on Wednesday at 10:00 am. On Thursday, Harvard Divinity Schools' Dr. Peter Gomes, Plummer Professor of Christian Morals and Pusey Minister in the Memorial Church, will preach at 10:00 am. For the Friday Service, Senior MDiv Tremayne Johnson will preach at 2:30 pm.

DDS Operation Sharehouse

While we have reached our financial goal we would still welcome support from more PACKERS for the Saturday, March 29, workday, and contributions to defray the costs of shipping are always appreciated. If you would like to volunteer as a donor or a packer, please see Cheri Benjamin!

Prayer and Praise Opportunities

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! Contact Gannon Sims for the Praise and Worship Team, and Paul 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.