
Duke Memorial United Methodist Church
504 West Chapel Hill Street • Durham, North Carolina • 27701

~ Sharing Christ from the Heart of Durham ~

Service of Word

December 20, 2009

Fourth Sunday of Advent

TOWER BELLS

10:30 am

WORSHIP

10:55 am

ENTRANCE AND PRAISE

GATHERING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PASSING THE PEACE

All extend signs of reconciliation and blessing by greeting one another with the peace of Christ.
Because of concerns about spreading illness, you are welcome, if you choose,
to pass the peace of Christ without shaking hands.

ATTENDANCE REGISTRATION

As the ushers distribute the attendance notebooks, please register your presence as a member or guest.
Guests, please feel free to take the information on the left side of the notebook.

PRELUDE

“Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”

P. Manz

*GREETING

You know what time it is,

how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep.

For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers;

the night is far gone, the day is near.

Let us then lay aside the works of darkness

and put on the armor of light.

“O Come, All Ye Faithful”

The cross and light precede us from the world into the sanctuary and from the sanctuary into the world.
The cross symbolizes the triumph of Christ. The light signifies God’s presence with us.

OPENING PRAYER (in unison)

**Ever present God, you taught us that the night is far spent and the day is at hand.
Grant that we may ever be found watching for the coming of your Son.
Save us from undue love of the world, that we may wait with patient hope
for the day of the Lord, and so abide in him,
that when he shall appear, we may not be ashamed;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

ANTHEM

“Sanctus” from *Requiem*

Rutter

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES

Emily and Michael White

Reader: “For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.” Isaiah 9:6

Reader: We light this candle as a symbol of the Prince of Peace. May the visitation of your Holy Spirit, O God, make us ready for the coming of Jesus, our hope and joy. O come, O come, Emmanuel.

RESPONSE (sung in unison)

**O come, Desire of nations bind all people in one heart and mind.
From dust thou brought us forth to life; deliver us from earthly strife.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.**

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (sung in unison)

please see insert

“In the Lord”

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Zephaniah 3:14-20 (OT, p. 830)

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Philippians 4:4-7 (NT, p. 175)

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Kimbie Sprague

The congregation is invited to sing “Away in a Manger” as the children come forward. Children ages K-3rd grade may leave for Children’s Church and will return to the sanctuary at the end of our service.

*GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 1:46b-55 (NT, p. 49)

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

PARISH CONCERNS AND PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

CHRISTMAS OFFERING

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"Glory to God" from *Messiah*

Handel

*DOXOLOGY

LAST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN #238

"Angels We Have Heard on High"

GLORIA

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

"Gloria, in excelsis Deo!"

*GOING FORTH

*POSTLUDE

In Dulci Jubilo

J.S. Bach

Our service of worship has ended. Our worship through service begins.

NURSERY CARE

The Lullaby Room is available behind the sanctuary on the right if you need to step out with your infant. There is an audio and video feed in this room so that you will not miss any part of the service.

Infant and Toddler Care is available in the nursery on the top floor of the education building.

Care of Three and Four Year Olds during the worship service is on the ground (bottom) floor of the education building in the room with the purple door or on the playground behind the buildings.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH, FOR KINDERGARTEN THROUGH 3RD GRADE

Children (K-3) are invited after the children's sermon to go to Children's Church, a time of crafts, drama, music, and games that bring the scriptures and themes for the day to life. Children's Church meets in the large room directly below the sanctuary. The children return to the front two pews of the sanctuary during the last hymn of the worship service. Parents, ask Melody Peters about how you can contribute to making Children's Church a special time for the church's children!

WORSHIP BAGS FOR CHILDREN

Worship bags designed for children first grade and younger are available in the narthex. Please return them to the baskets at the end of the service. Children's bulletins for ages 7-12 are also available.

Safe Sanctuary Tip: Parents, please accompany your children to the restroom.

Large print bulletins and sound enhancing devices are available for your use. Any usher will be glad to assist you.

Our Staff:

Ginger Thomas and Roger Owens, Co-Pastors
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