Today marks the beginning of the season of Lent. Ash Wednesday occurs forty days before Easter, not including six Sundays (which are considered feast days), and recalls the Israelites’ forty years in the desert and Jesus’ forty days in the wilderness. Lent is an opportunity to go deeply into our hearts and the souls of our communities, and to recognize the horror and depth of our estrangement from God. In practicing the disciplines of Lent, such as self-examination and repentance, we seek systematically to put things right.
The congregation is asked to remain silent during the prelude as a time of prayer and meditation.

**Entrance**

**Organ Prelude**

**Greeting**

*Opening Hymn 269*

Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

**Proclamation and Response**

**Prayer for Illumination** (*in unison*)

Holy God, our lives are laid open before you: as we hear your word today, rescue us from the chaos of sin and through the death of your Son bring us healing and make us whole in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Old Testament Lesson**—Isaiah 58:1–12

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

**Anthem**

Let My Prayer Come Up  John Blow (1649–1708)

Let my prayer come up into thy presence as incense:
Let the lifting up of my hands be as an evening sacrifice.

—Psalm 141:2

*Gospel Lesson*—Matthew 6:1–6, 16–21

Lector: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

**Homily**—The Real You

**Invitation to the Observance of a Holy Lent**

**Prayer Over the Ashes**

**Imposition of Ashes**

Those wishing to receive ashes will come forward to the stations. When all who desire have received the ashes, the service will continue with the Litany of Penitence.
Anthem (sung during the imposition of ashes)

Aus tiefer Not

Heinrich Schütz
(1585–1672)

Aus tiefer Not schrei ich zu dir,
Herr Gott, erhör mein Ruf'en!
Dein gnädig Ohren kehr zu mir,
und meiner Bitt’ sie öffen,
denn so du willt das sehen an,
was Sünd und Unrecht ist getan,
er kann, Herr, für dir bleiben?

Bei dir gilt nichts denn Gnad’
und Gunst, die Sünde zu vergeben,
es ist doch unser Tun umsonst
auch in dem besten Leben.
Für dir niemand sich rühmen kann,
des muß dich fürchten jedermann
und deiner Gnaden leben.

Darum auf Gott will hoffen ich,
auf mein Verdienst nicht bauen,
auf ihn mein Herz soll lassen sich
und seiner Gnade trauen,
die mir zusagt sein werres Wort,
das ist mein Trost und treuer Hort,
des will ich allzeit harren.

Und ob es währt bis in die Nacht
und wieder an den Morgen,
soll doch mein Herz an Gottes Macht
verzweifeln nicht noch sorgen.
So tu Israel rechter Art,
der aus dem Geist erzeuget ward
und seines Gottes erharre.

Ob bei uns ist der Sünden viel,
Bei Gott ist viel mehr Gnade.
Sein Hand zu helfen hat kein Ziel,
wie groß auch sei der Schade.
Er ist allein der Gute Hirt,
der Israel erlösen wird
aus seinen Sünden allen.

Out of the deep I cry to you,
Lord God, hear my call;
incline your merciful ear to me
and be open to my prayer!
For if you choose to consider
what sin and injustice have done,
Lord, who can remain before you?

With you nothing matters but grace
and favor in the forgiveness of sins;
our deeds are therefore useless,
even in the best life.
Before you nobody can boast,
but everyone must fear you
and live by your grace.

Therefore I shall hope in God,
and not build on my own merit;
my heart will rely on him
and trust in his goodness,
which was promised me by his precious word;
which is my consolation and faithful refuge;
that I will always trust.

And even if it lasts through the night
and again into the morning,
yet in God’s might my heart
will not abandon hope nor be troubled.
Act in this way, true race of Israel,
that was produced from the spirit
and wait on God.

Although there is much sin among us,
with God there is much more mercy;
his helping hand has no limit,
however great the harm may be.
He alone is the Good Shepherd
who will save Israel
from all its sins.
LITANY OF PENITENCE

(The congregation responds with the text in bold.)

God the Father,
Have mercy on us.

God the Son,
Have mercy on us.

God the Holy Spirit,
Have mercy on us.

Holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity,
Have mercy on us.

From our pride, vanity, and hypocrisy,
and from all our evil plans,
Deliver us.

From our envy and malice,
and from our hardness of heart,
Deliver us.

From our sloth and worldliness,
and our lack of compassion,
Deliver us.

From our love of money, our hoarding of possessions,
and our relentless desire to accumulate more,
Deliver us.

From the lust for sexual pleasure
that obscures the true gift of love in us and in others,
Deliver us.

From the gorging of food, the indulging of our appetites,
and our neglect of the hungry,
Deliver us.

From our hatred, anger, and quick temper,
and from our reluctance to be reconciled with those we have hurt,
Deliver us.

Give us true repentance;
forgive us our sins of negligence and ignorance
and our deliberate sins;
and grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit
to amend our lives according to your holy word.

Holy God,
holy and strong,
holy and immortal,
have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON
*Peace
(Exchange signs and words of God’s peace.)

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.”)

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, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Sending Forth

*Benediction

*Recessional Hymn 417
O For a Heart to Praise My God

*Postlude

*All who are able may stand.

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A LENTEN PRAYER—FOR PERSONAL LENTEN DISCIPLINE

Lord Jesus, you fasted and prayed for forty days. Help me to fast and pray during this time of Lent. Free my mind from distraction and worry, that I may be more aware of your love, and more sensitive to others. Give me a spirit of generosity, so that I might share my gifts more freely with those who have less. Teach me to pray, that I might offer you praise and be more thankful. Help me make time to reflect on your Word; may it challenge, console, and purify me. Be with me in times of hurt, doubt, and confusion; unite my sufferings to yours and let them be redemptive. Fill me with your Holy Spirit, free me from sin, let me rise with you this Easter. I ask this in the name of Jesus, who died that I might have life to the full. Amen.
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Holy Week at Duke Chapel

Sunday, March 29  
11:00 am  
University Service of Worship  
The Rev. Dr. Luke Powery

11:00 am  
Catholic Palm Sunday Mass  
Goodson Chapel

4:00 pm  
Bach’s St. Matthew’s Passion by the Duke Chapel Choir

9:00 pm  
Catholic Palm Sunday Mass

Monday, March 30  
12:00 noon  
Holy Week Noon Service  
Dr. Christy Lohr Sapp  
(Assoc. Dean for Religious Life)

12:00 noon  
Catholic Mass  
Chapel Crypt

Tuesday, March 31  
12:00 noon  
Holy Week Noon Service  
The Rev. Brad Troxell  
(Assoc. Pastor of Congregation)

5:15 pm  
Service of Prayer and Holy Communion  
Memorial Chapel

5:45 pm  
Catholic Mass  
FA House

Wednesday, April 1  
12:00 noon  
Holy Week Noon Service  
Ms. Savannah Ponder  
(Chapel Worship Intern)

5:15 pm  
Catholic Mass  
Goodson Chapel

Thursday, April 2  
12:00 noon  
Holy Week Noon Service  
Mr. Joshua Lazard  
(C. Eric Lincoln Minister)

6:00 pm  
Wesley Fellowship Service of Footwashing  
Memorial Chapel

Maundy Thursday Continued...  
7:30 pm  
Maundy Thursday Service*  
The Rev. Dr. Sally Bates  
(Chaplain, Duke Divinity)  
Stripping of the Altar  
Service of the Lord’s Supper

9:00 pm  
Catholic Liturgy of Holy Thursday

Friday, April 3  
11:30 am  
Good Friday  
Procession of the Stations of the Cross
beginning on the Chapel steps

12:00 noon  
Service of Good Friday  
Bishop Michael Curry  
(Bishop of NC Episcopal Church)

1:00-3:00 pm  
Meditative organ music

5:00 pm  
Catholic Liturgy of Good Friday

7:30 pm  
Service of Tenebrae (Darkness)*  
The Rev. Dr. Luke Powery

Saturday, April 4  
8:00 pm  
Holy Saturday  
Easter Vigil Mass

Sunday, April 5  
6:30 am  
Easter Sunrise Service  
The Rev. Dr. Carol Gregg  
Duke Gardens South Lawn

9:00 am  
Service of Worship with Holy Communion  
The Rev. Dr. Luke Powery

11:00 am  
Service of Worship  
The Rev. Dr. Luke Powery

11:00 am  
Catholic Easter Mass  
Duke Gardens South Lawn

9:00 pm  
Catholic Easter Mass

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† For a tour of Duke Chapel, meet a docent near the front steps of the Chapel following the Sunday worship 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.
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