

Wake Forest University School of Divinity
Opening Chapel
11 AM, Tuesday, September 2, 2008

Prelude		Ray Ebert, organist
Welcome		Hannah McMahan, MDiv '09
*Call to Worship		Hannah McMahan, MDiv '09
	Leader: Creator of the world, eternal God, People: We have come from many places for a little while. Leader: Redeemer of humanity, God-with-us, People: We have come with all our differences, seeking common ground. Leader: Spirit of unity, God among us. People: We have come on journeys of our own, to a place where journeys meet. Leader: So here, in this shelter house let us take time together. For when paths cross and Pilgrims gather, there is much to share and celebrate. People: In your name, three-in-one God, pattern of community. Amen.	
		<i>From Iona Abbey Worship Book</i>
*Opening Hymn	<i>Holy, Holy, Holy</i> Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee; Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity! Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee, Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee, Who was, and is, and evermore shall be. Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee, Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see; Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee, Perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity. Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All Thy works shall praise Thy Name, in earth, and sky, and sea; Holy, holy, holy; merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!	NICAEA
Introduction of Speaker		Bill J. Leonard Dean of the School of Divinity and Professor of Church History
Choral Meditation	<i>O God, My Heart Is Ready</i> WFU School of Divinity Choir	Simon Lindley
Scripture Reading	Acts 17:19-27	Greg Dover, MDiv '09
Musical Reflection	<i>That Name</i> Janice Price, soloist	Yolanda Adams
Sermon	<i>Witnessing to the Mars Hill Crowd</i>	Rev. Serenus Churn Senior Pastor, Mt. Zion Baptist Church

Prayers of the People

Larretta Rivera-Williams
Pastoral Resident

*Closing Hymn

I Love to Tell the Story

HANKEY

I love to tell the story of unseen things above,
Of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.
I love to tell the story, because I know 'tis true;
It satisfies my longings as nothing else can do.

Chorus: I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory,
To tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

I love to tell the story; more wonderful it seems
Than all the golden fancies of all our golden dreams.
I love to tell the story, for some have never heard
The message of salvation from God's own holy Word.

Chorus

I love to tell the story, for those who know it best
Seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,
'Twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long.

Chorus

*Spoken Benediction

Craig D. Atwood
John Comenius Visiting Professor of Moravian Studies

*Choral Benediction

A Gaelic Blessing
WFU School of Divinity Choir

John Rutter

Postlude

Ray Ebert, organist

*All that are able, please stand.

We are pleased to welcome Dr. Serenus T. Churn, Sr. to our Opening Chapel. Dr. Churn is the Senior Pastor of Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, NC. He has received degrees from the Foundation for Religion and Mental Health, Howard University, Morgan State College, in addition to earning his Doctor of Ministry from Drew University, Madison, NJ in 1979. He was licensed to preach at the age of fifteen. He is married to the former Shirley Brown of Washington, DC, and has two sons.

We also welcome our guest soloist today, Janice Price. She is a member of Mt. Zion Baptist Church where our guest preacher serves as Senior Pastor.

Special thanks to Mt. Zion Baptist Church for providing lunch this afternoon immediately following the chapel service. Lunch will be served in the Lower Auditorium of Wingate Hall.