

WATERLOO LUTHERAN UNIVERSITY



BACCALAUREATE SERVICE

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UNIVERSITY THEATRE-AUDITORIUM
WATERLOO, ONTARIO

SUNDAY AFTER THE ASCENSION

PRELUDE:

PROCESSIONAL HYMN MILES LANE, C.M.

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| 1. All hail the power of Jesus' Name
Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown him, crown him, crown him,
Crown him Lord of all. | 4. Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget
The wormwood and the gall,
Go, spread your trophies at his feet
And crown him, crown him, crown him,
Crown him Lord of all. |
| 2. Crown him, ye martyrs of your God
Who from his altar call;
Extol the Stem of Jesse's rod,
And crown him, crown him, crown him,
Crown him Lord of all. | 5. Let every kindred, every tribe,
On this terrestrial ball,
To him all majesty ascribe,
And crown him, crown him, crown him,
Crown him Lord of all. |
| 3. Ye seed of Israel's chosen race,
Ye ransomed of the fall,
Hail him who saves you by his grace,
And crown him, crown him, crown him,
Crown him Lord of all. | 6. O that with yonder sacred throng
We at his feet may fall;
We'll join the everlasting song
And crown him, crown him, crown him,
Crown him Lord of all. |

INVOCATION:

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. AMEN.

LET US PRAY:

O King of glory, Lord of Hosts, who did ascend in triumph far above all heavens; we ask you not to leave us without your counsel; send to us the Spirit of Truth, promised of the Father; who lives and reigns with the Father and the same Spirit, one God, world without end. AMEN.

Praise ye the Lord. Praise God in his sanctuary:

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 PSALTERY AND HARP.

Praise him with the timbrel and dance:

PRAISE HIM WITH STRINGED INSTRUMENTS AND ORGANS.

Praise him upon the loud cymbals:

PRAISE HIM UPON THE HIGH SOUNDING CYMBALS.

Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord:

PRAISE YE THE LORD.

HYMN LOBE DEN HERREN

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| 1. Praise to the Lord,
the Almighty, the King of creation;
O my soul, praise him,
for he is thy health and salvation:
All ye who hear,
Now to his temple draw near;
Joining in glad adoration. | 2. Praise to the Lord,
who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under his wings,
yea, so gently sustaineth:
Hast thou not seen?
All that is needful hath been
Granted in what he ordaineth. |
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3. Praise to the Lord,
who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;
Surely his goodness and mercy
here daily attend thee.
Ponder anew
What the Almighty can do,
If with his love he befriend thee!

4. Praise to the Lord,
O let all that is in me adore him;
All that hath life and breath,
come now with praises before him!
Let the Amen
Sound from his people again;
Gladly for aye we adore him. Amen.

FIRST LESSON Genesis 5:21-24

THE PSALM

The Lord is my light and my salvation, whom shall I fear: THE LORD IS
THE STRENGTH OF MY LIFE, OF WHOM SHALL I BE AFRAID?

When the wicked, even mine enemies and my foes, came upon me to eat
eat up my flesh: THEY STUMBLed AND FELL.

Though an host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear:
THOUGH WAR SHOULD RISE AGAINST ME, IN THIS WILL I BE
CONFIDENT.

One thing have I desired of the Lord, that will I seek after: THAT I MAY
DWELL IN THE HOUSE OF THE LORD ALL THE DAYS OF MY LIFE,
TO BEHOLD THE BEAUTY OF THE LORD, AND TO ENQUIRE IN
HIS TEMPLE.

Wait on the Lord: BE OF GOOD COURAGE, AND HE SHALL STRENGTH-
EN THINE HEART; WAIT, I SAY, ON THE LORD.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: AS IT WAS
IN THE BEGINNING, IS NOW, AND EVER SHALL BE, WORLD
WITHOUT END. AMEN.

SECOND LESSON Mark 16:14-20

Heavenly Father, we praise you for mankind:

BORN TO GIVE, AND BORN TO RECEIVE;
BORN TO HELP, AND BORN TO BE HELPED;
BORN TO LEAD, AND BORN TO BE LED;
BORN TO FORGIVE, AND BORN TO CONFESS;
BORN TO LOVE, AND BORN TO BE LOVED;
BORN TOGETHER WITHIN YOUR FAMILY TO KNOW THE
WARMTH OF HUMAN TIES.

Heavenly Father, we praise you for Jesus:

BORN OF YOU IN THE KALEIDOSCOPE OF HISTORY TO BE THE
TRUE PATTERN OF MAN FOR ALL TIME.
HE IS MAN — SON OF MAN — REAL MAN.
THE LIGHT WHICH SHINES IN HIM IS OUR LIGHT, AND THE LIFE
WHICH THROBS IN HIM IS OUR PROPER LIFE TOO.
WE PRAISE YOU FOR MAN — DESIGNED FOR MORE THAN WE
THOUGHT, AND STAMPED WITH THE PATTERN OF CHRIST.
WE THANK YOU FOR THIS GREAT POTENTIAL WHICH WE HAVE
THROUGH JESUS CHRIST, OUR LORD.

THIRD LESSON

Acts 1:1-11

HYMN

MELITA

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| 1. Creator Spirit, by whose aid
The World's foundations first were laid,
Come, visit every pious mind;
Come, pour thy joys on human kind;
From sin and sorrow set us free,
And make thy temples worthy thee. | 2. O source of uncreated light,
The Father's promised Paraclete,
Thrice holy fount, thrice holy fire,
Our hearts with heavenly love inspire;
Come, and thy sacred unction bring
To sanctify us while we sing. Amen. |
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THE HOMILY

THE PRAYER:

Eternal God,

YOU ARE THE POWER BEHIND ALL THINGS . . . BEHIND THE
ENERGY OF THE ATOM, BEHIND THE HEAT OF A MILLION
SUNS.

Eternal God,

YOU ARE THE POWER BEHIND ALL MINDS . . . BEHIND THE
ABILITY TO THINK AND REASON, BEHIND ALL UNDER-
STANDING OF THE TRUTH.

Eternal God,

YOU ARE THE POWER BEHIND THE CROSS OF CHRIST . . .
BEHIND THE WEAKNESS, THE TORTURE, AND THE DEATH,
BEHIND UNCONQUERABLE LOVE.

Eternal Power, we worship and adore you!

ETERNAL POWER, WE WORSHIP AND ADORE YOU!

Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

AMEN.

Go in peace, Serve the Lord.

THE RECESSIONAL HYMN

CWM RHONDDA

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| 1. Guide me, O thou great Jehovah,
Pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty,
Hold me with thy powerful hand;
Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven,
Feed me till I want no more,
Feed me till I want no more. | 2. Open now the crystal fountain
Whence the healing stream doth flow;
Let the fire and cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through;
Strong deliverer, Strong deliverer,
Be thou still my strength and shield,
Be thou still my strength and shield. |
| 3. When I tread the verge of Jordan,
Bid my anxious fears subside;
Death of death and hell's destruction,
Land me safe on Canaan's side;
Songs of praises, Songs of praises
I will ever give to thee,
I will ever give to thee. Amen. | |

PARTICIPANTS:

Mr. John Boehmer, graduating seminarian, is the first reader.

Dr. Delton Glebe, Dean of the Seminary, is the homilist.

Professor Walter Kemp, Chairman of the Music Department, is the
organist.

Pastor Richard Urdahl, University Pastor, is the liturgist.

Miss Carolyn Wettlaufer, graduating senior, is the second reader.

Miss Priscilla Yantha, Lecturer in the English Department, is the third
reader.