



WATERLOO LUTHERAN UNIVERSITY

GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY

for

The New Athletic Complex

November 5, 1971

10:00 a.m.

THE ORDER FOR A
GROUNDBREAKING SERVICE

The Invocation

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

AMEN.

The Psalm

God be merciful to us, and bless us: and cause his face to shine upon us;

THAT HIS WAY MAY BE KNOWN UPON EARTH: HIS SAVING HEALTH
AMONG ALL NATIONS.

Let the people praise you, O God: let all the people praise you.

O LET THE NATIONS BE GLAD AND SING FOR JOY: FOR YOU SHALL
JUDGE THE PEOPLE RIGHTEOUSLY, AND GOVERN THE NATIONS
UPON EARTH.

Let the people praise you, O God: let all the people praise you.

THEN SHALL THE EARTH YIELD HER INCREASE: AND GOD, EVEN
OUR OWN GOD, SHALL BLESS US.

God shall bless us; and all the ends of the earth shall fear him.

The Prayer

BLESS, WE PRAY YOU, THE SCHOOLS OF THE CHURCH, ALL UNIVER-
SITIES AND CENTRES OF RESEARCH, ALL INSTITUTIONS OF LEARN-
ING, AND THE STUDENTS, FACULTY AND STAFF THAT WORK THERE-
IN. WITHHOLD NOT, WE PRAY YOU, YOUR WORD AND WISDOM, BUT
BESTOW IT IN SUCH MEASURE THAT MEN AND WOMEN MAY SERVE
YOU IN CHURCH AND STATE, AND OUR COMMON LIFE BE BROUGHT
UNDER THE RULE OF YOUR TRUTH AND RIGHTEOUSNESS. AMEN.

Greetings and Statements

The Groundbreaking

*In the faith of Jesus Christ this work is begun. May this building faithfully serve the pur-
pose of strengthening body, mind and spirit.*

The Prayer

O GOD, IN WHOM EVERY GOOD THING HAS ITS BEGINNING, AND BY
WHOM IT INCREASES AND ADVANCES TO GREATER WORTH: GRANT
THAT WHAT WE HAVE THIS DAY UNDERTAKEN MAY BE SUCCESS-
FULLY COMPLETED AND FAITHFULLY USED; THROUGH JESUS
CHRIST, OUR LORD. AMEN.

The Benediction

The blessing of Almighty God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be with you all.

AMEN.

PARTICIPANTS

Mr. David C. Knight,
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