WATERLOO LUTHERAN UNIVERSITY



BACCALAUREATE SERVICE

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UNIVERSITY THEATRE-AUDITORIUM

KITCHENER, ONTARIO

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

(The Congregation shall stand except for the reading of the Epistle, the announcements, the Sermon, and the gathering of the Offering)

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

O worship the King, all glorious above,
 O gratefully sing his wonderful love;
 Our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days,

Pavilioned in splendour, and girded with praise.

O tell of his might, O sing of his grace, Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space;

His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,

And dark is his path on the wings of the storm.

 The earth with its store of wonders untold, Almighty, thy power had founded of old; Hath stablished it fast by a changeless decree,

And round it hath cast, like a mantle, the

4. Thy bountiful care what tongue can recite? It breathes in the air, it shines in the light; It streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,

And sweetly distils in the dew and the rain.

 Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, In thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail;
 Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end,

Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend.

 O measureless Might, ineffable Love, While angles delight to hymn thee above, The humbler creation, though feeble their lays,

With true adoration shall sing to thy praise.

(A period of silence will follow the Processional Hymn so that each person present may say his own prayer of preparation and invocation).

THE INVOCATION

In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Response: Amen.

THE INTROIT

Let every thing that hath breath praise the Lord: praise ye the Lord. Praise him for his mighty acts: praise him according to his excellent greatness. Praise ye the Lord. Praise God in his sanctuary: praise him in the firmament of his power.

Response: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

THE KYRIE

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

Response: Lord have mercy.

For the peace that is from God, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: Lord have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the people of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: Lord have mercy.

For this university, and for them that in faithfulness offer here the worship of their service and labour, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: Lord have mercy.

For this graduating class, and for all who are receiving recognition among us for work well done, let us pray to the Lord.

Response: Lord have mercy.

Help, save, pity and defend us, O God, by thy grace.

Response: Amen.

THE HYMN OF PRAISE

- From all that dwell below the skies Let the Creator's praise arise; Let the Redeemer's Name be sung Through every Land, by every tongue.
- Eternal are thy mercies,
 Lord, Eternal truth attends thy word;
 Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore,
 Till suns shall rise and set no more.

Amen.

THE COLLECT

The Lord be with you.

Response: And with thy spirit.

Let us pray

Response: Amen.

THE EPISTLE FOR THE DAY

I Corinthians 1:27-31

Response: Lord, I have loved the habitation of thy house, and the

place where thine honor dwelleth. Alleluia.

THE GOSPEL FOR THE DAY

John 15:11-17

Response to the Announcement: Glory be to thee, O Lord
Response to the Conclusion: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

THE APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; the third day he arose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Christian church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HYMN

- Unto the hills around do I lift up My longing eyes;
 - O whence for me shall my salvation come, From whence arise?
 - From God the Lord doth come my certain aid,
 - From God the Lord who heaven and earth hath made.
- He will not suffer that thy foot be moved; Safe shalt thou be.
 - No careless slumber shall his eyelids close Who keepeth thee.
 - Behold, he sleepeth not, he slumbereth ne'er,
 - Who keepeth Israel in his holy care.

- Jehovah is himself thy keeper true, Thy changless shade;
 - Jehovah thy defence on thy right hand Himself hath made.
 - And thee no sun by day shall ever smite; No moon shall harm thee in the silent night.
- From every evil shall he keep thy soul, From every sin;
 - Jehovah shall preserve thy going out, Thy coming in.
 - Above thee watching, he whom we adore Shall keep thee henceforth, yea, for evermore.

Amen.

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THE OFFERTORY*

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Create in me a clean heart, O God: and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from thy presence: and take not thy holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation: and uphold me with thy free Spirit.

THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

The thanksgiving

Response: Hear us, O Lord.

For the church of Christ and all who minister

Response: Hear us, O Lord.

For the state and all who exercise authority

Response: Hear us, O Lord.

For schools, universities, and graduates

Response: Hear us, O Lord.

For all people

Response: Hear us, O Lord.

For those who have served and now rest from their labours

Response: Hear us, O Lord.

The Conclusion: The Lord's Prayer

THE BENEDICTION

THE RECESSIONAL HYMN

- O God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come, Our shelter from the stormy blast, And our eternal home:
- Under the shadow of thy throne
 Thy saints have dwelt secure
 Sufficient is thine arm alone,
 And our defence is sure.
- Before the hills in order stood, Or earth received her frame; From everlasting thou art God, To endless years the same.
- A thousand ages in thy sight
 Are like an evening gone,
 Short as the watch that ends the night
 Before the rising sun.
- Time, like an ever-rolling stream, Bears all its sons away;
 They fly forgotten, as a dream Dies at the opening day.

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