

# Wilfrid Laurier University



## BACCALAUREATE SERVICE

Sunday, October 25, 1998  
Keffer Memorial Chapel  
Waterloo, Ontario  
10:30 a.m.

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PRELUDE: Corte'ge Acade'mique ..... E. MacMillan

## THE PREPARATION

Pastor: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**Congregation: And also with you.**

HYMN #558 (Lutheran Book of Worship): Earth and All Stars ..... Earth and All Stars

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| 1. Earth and all stars!<br>Loud rushing planets!<br>Sing to the Lord a new song!<br>Oh, Victory!<br>Loud shouting army!<br>Sing to the Lord a new song! <b>Refrain</b> | 4. Engines and steel!<br>Loud pounding hammers!<br>Sing to the Lord a new song!<br>Limestone and beams!<br>Loud building workers!<br>Sing to the Lord a new song! <b>Refrain</b> |
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### **Refrain:**

God has done marvellous things.  
I, too, will praise God with a new song!

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| 2. Hail, wind, and rain!<br>Loud blowing snowstorm!<br>Sing to the Lord a new song!<br>Flowers and trees!<br>Loud rustling dry leaves!<br>Sing to the Lord a new song! <b>Refrain</b> | 5. Classrooms and labs!<br>Loud boiling test tubes!<br>Sing to the Lord a new song!<br>Athlete and band!<br>Loud cheering people!<br>Sing to the Lord a new song! <b>Refrain</b> |
| 3. Trumpet and pipes!<br>Loud clashing cymbals!<br>Sing to the Lord a new song!<br>Harp, lute, and lyre!<br>Loud humming cellos!<br>Sing to the Lord a new song! <b>Refrain</b>       | 6. Knowledge and truth!<br>Loud sounding wisdom!<br>Sing to the Lord a new song!<br>Daughter and son!<br>Loud praying members!<br>Sing to the Lord a new song! <b>Refrain</b>    |

P: The Lord be with you!

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us pray:

**C: Almighty God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon all those whose graduation we celebrate. Call them to service in our world, and bless their gifts with success. Let them be a sign of your grace to all the world and give them peace and security; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit one God, now and forever. Amen.**

## THE WORD OF GOD

FIRST LESSON: Joel 2:23-32

DUET: "Lord God, Heavenly King" (from the Mass in C minor) ..... W.A. Mozart  
*O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty; the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father.*

SECOND LESSON: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

DUET: "One thing have I desired" (Psalm 27) ..... H. Schuetz – U. Leupold

THE GOSPEL: Luke 18:9-14

## THE SERMON

HYMN #782 (With One Voice) All My Hope on God is Founded ..... Michael

1. All my hope on God is founded  
who will all my trust renew,  
who through change and chance will guide me  
only good and only true.  
God unknown, from thy throne  
call my heart to be thine own.
2. Mortal pride and earthly glory,  
sword and crown betray our trust;  
what with care and toil we fashion,  
tow'r and temple, fall to dust.  
But thy pow'r hour by hour,  
is my temple and my tow'r.
3. Great thy goodness e'er enduring;  
deep thy wisdom, passing thought;  
splendor, light and life attend thee,  
beauty springing out of nought.  
Evermore from God's store  
newborn worlds rise and adore.
4. Still from earth to God eternal  
sacrifice of praise be done,  
high above all praises praising  
for the gift of God's own Son.  
Christ shall call one and all:  
you that follow shall not fall.

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

**All: I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## THE PRAYERS

DUET: "We Hasten With Feeble But Diligent Footsteps" (from Cantata 78) ..... J.S. Bach  
*We hasten with timid but diligent paces, O Jesus, O master, to thee for thy help.  
Thou seekest the ailing and erring most faithful,  
Ah hearken, as we our voices are raising to beg thee for succor!  
Let on us thy countenance smile ever gracious!*

P: Most gracious God, you give us so many gifts.

**C: We remember those kind and generous gifts with thanksgiving.**

P: We praise you O God for the world in which we live, for its life and order, for its beauty and its wonder, and for the life which you have given us to enjoy within it.

**C: We thank you for our home, our families, and friends, for the enjoyment we find in each other, and for the love that lifts our hearts and our spirits.**

P: We praise you O God for the common blessings of our everyday life, for food and clothing, for shelter and rest, and for work and leisure.

**C: We thank you for this land that we love, for our heritage of freedom, for the sacrifices of our ancestors, and for all the noble hopes and efforts that people have made in seeking unity and peace.**

P: We thank you O God for the gracious gifts to our minds and spirits, for memory that links us to the past, for hope that leads us to the future, for courage in times of trouble, for patience under stress, for wisdom in perplexity, for faith in every moment and love at all times.

C: **We thank you O God for your greatness and your power, your wisdom and your goodness, for your justice and your truth. Most of all we thank you for the gift of love that you have given us in Jesus the Christ, in whose name we pray.**

All: **So direct us in thought, word, and deed that our gratitude may be reflected in how we live for you in our world. Amen.**

**OUR FATHER in heaven, hallowed be your name, your Kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

“The Lord Bless You” ..... John Rutter

HYMN #551 (Lutheran Book of Worship) Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee .....Hymn To Joy

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| 1. Joyful, joyful we adore thee,<br>God of glory, Lord of love!<br>Hearts unfold like flow'rs before thee,<br>Praising thee, their sun above.<br>Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,<br>Drive the gloom of doubt away.<br>Giver of immortal gladness,<br>Fill us with the light of day. | 2. All thy works with joy surround thee,<br>Earth and heav'n reflect thy rays,<br>Stars and angels sing around thee,<br>Center of unbroken praise.<br>Field and forest, vale and mountain,<br>Flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,<br>Chanting bird, and flowing fountain<br>Call us to rejoice in thee. |
| 3. Thou art giving and forgiving,<br>Ever blessing, ever blest,<br>Well-spring of the joy of living,<br>Ocean-depth of happy rest!<br>Thou our Father, Christ our brother,<br>All who live in love are thine;<br>Teach us how to love each other,<br>Lift us to the joy divine!         |   |

POSTLUDE: MacMillan's Majesty ..... Barrie Cabena

## PARTICIPANTS

The Rev. Valentine Hennig, Campus Chaplain, Wilfrid Laurier University, is the Preacher.  
Professor Jan Overduin, Faculty of Music, Wilfrid Laurier University, is the Organist.  
Jennifer Farrell, B.Mus. (voice performance) 4th Year, and Melanie Kruger, Opera Diploma, Wilfrid Laurier University, are the singers.