

Wilfrid Laurier University



BACCALAUREATE SERVICE

Friday, June 5, 1998
Keffer Memorial Chapel
Waterloo, Ontario
10:00 a.m.

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PRELUDE: Music for flute and organ Jean Langlais

THE PREPARATION

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

Congregation: **And also with you.**

HYMN #561 (Lutheran Book of Worship): For the Beauty of the Earth Dix

1. For the beauty of the earth,
For the beauty of the skies,
For the love which from our birth
Over and around us lies:

Refrain: Christ, our Lord, to you we raise
This our sacrifice of praise.

2. For the wonder of each hour
Of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale and tree and flow'r
Sun and moon and stars of light: **Refrain**

3. For the joy of ear and eye,
For the heart and mind's delight,
For the mystic harmony
Linking sense to sound and sight: **Refrain**

4. For the joy of human love,
Brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth and friends above;
For all gentle thoughts and mild: **Refrain**

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

DUET: "Laudamus te" from Gloria Antonio Vivaldi

PSALM 104:24-33

O Lord, how manifold are your works!
**In wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.**
Yonder is the sea, great and wide,
creeping things innumerable are there,
living things both small and great.
There go the ships,
and Leviathan that you formed to sport in it.
These all look to you
to give them their food in due season;
when you give to them, they gather it up;
**when you open your hand, they are filled
with good things.**

When you hide your face, they are dismayed;
**when you take away their breath, they die
and return to their dust.**
When you send forth your spirit, they are created;
And you renew the face of the ground.
May the glory of the Lord endure forever;
may the Lord rejoice in his works —
who looks on the earth and it trembles,
who touches the mountains and they smoke.
I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;
I will sing praise to my God.

THE WORD OF GOD

FIRST LESSON: Acts 2:1-21

SECOND LESSON: Romans 8:14-17

SOLO: "Domine Deus" from Gloria Antonio Vivaldi

THE GOSPEL: John 14:8-17, 25-27

THE SERMON

HYMN #684 (With One Voice) Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness Spirit

Refrain Spirit, Spirit of gentleness,
blow through the wilderness calling and free;
Spirit, Spirit of restlessness,
stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.

1. You moved on the waters, you called to the deep,
then you coaxed up the mountains
from the valleys of sleep;
and over the eons you called to each thing:
"Awake from your slumbers and rise on your wings."
Refrain

3. You sang in a stable, you cried from a hill,
then you whispered in silence
when the whole world was still;
and down in the city you called once again,
when you blew through your people on the rush of the wind.
Refrain

2. You swept through the desert, you stung with the sand
and you goaded your people
with a law and a land;
and when they were blinded with idols and lies,
then you spoke through your prophets to open their eyes.
Refrain

4. You call from tomorrow, you break ancient schemes.
From the bondage of sorrow
all the captives dream dreams;
our women see visions, our men clear their eyes.
With bold new decisions your people arise.
Refrain

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

P: Show us your mercy, O Lord:
C: **And grant us your salvation.**
P: Clothe your ministers with righteousness:
C: **Let your people sing with joy.**
P: Give peace, O God, in all the world:
C: **For only in you can we live in safety.**
P: Lord, keep this nation under your care:
C: **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**
P: Let your way be known upon earth:
C: **Your saving health among all nations.**
P: Let not the needy, O God, be forgotten:
C: **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**
P: Create in us clean hearts, O God:
C: **And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

THE PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM

P: Let us pray.

All: Almighty God, by your grace we have come together to offer you our common petitions; and you have promised by your son Jesus Christ that when two or three are gathered in his Name he will be in the midst of them. Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions, as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the world to come life everlasting; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (New Zealand Version)

All: Eternal Spirit,
Earth-maker; Pain-bearer; Life-giver
Source of all that is and shall be,
Father and Mother of us all,
Loving God in whom is heaven:

The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!
The way of your justice be followed by all peoples of the world!
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom sustain our hope and come on earth.

With the bread we need for today, feed us.
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.
In the times of temptation and test, strengthen us.
From trials too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.
For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,
now and forever. Amen.

DUET: "The Lord Bless You and Keep You" John Rutter

BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL HYMN #682 (With One Voice): "Praise the Spirit in Creation" Praise My Soul

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| <p>1. Praise the Spirit in creation,
breath of God, life's origin:
Spirit, moving on the waters,
quick'ning worlds to life within,
source of breath to all things breathing,
life in whom all lives begin.</p> | <p>3. Tell of how the ascended Jesus
armed a people for his own;
how a hundred men and women
turned the known world upside down,
to its dark and furthest corners
by the wind of heaven blown.</p> |
| <p>2. Praise the Spirit, close companion
of our inmost thoughts and ways:
who, in showing us God's wonders,
is for us the pow'r to gaze;
and God's will, to those who listen,
by a still small voice conveys.</p> | <p>4. Pray we then, O Lord the Spirit,
on our lives descend in might;
let your flame break out within us,
fire our hearts and clear our sight,
till, white-hot in your possession,
we, too, set the world alight.</p> |

POSTLUDE: "Tocatta and Chorale" Barrie Cabena

PARTICIPANTS

- Rev. Dr. David Schnasa Jacobsen, Waterloo Lutheran Seminary, Preacher
- Dawn Hutchings, Graduating Student, Waterloo Lutheran Seminary, Worship Leader
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