# Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary



**Graduation Service** 

# Order of Service

# **PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

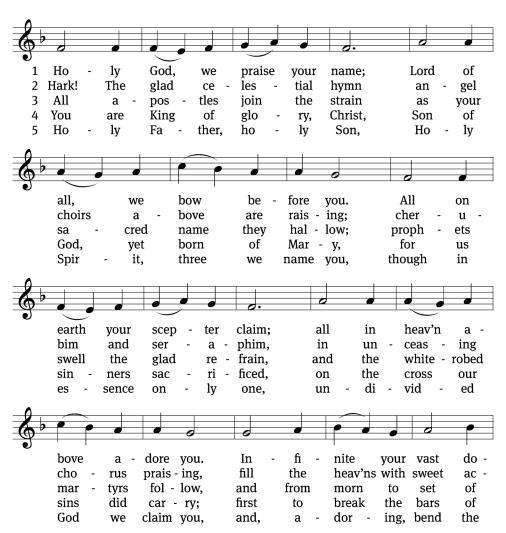
# Holy God, We Praise Your Name

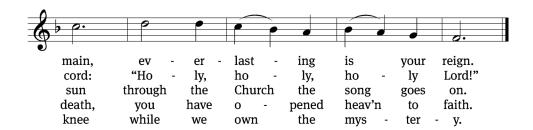
Te Deum Laudamus
Christian Worship 953
Setting by S. Drummond Wolff

Stand as the hymn is introduced and follow the path of the cross to the chancel where it serves as the focus of worship.

The faculty, members of the governing board, and the graduates process during the hymn.

1-2: All 3: Men 4: Women 5: All





#### INVOCATION

**Prof. Robert Wendland** 

Secretary of the faculty

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

## And also with you.

#### **DIALOGUE**

Give praise to the LORD, proclaim his name; make known among the nations what he has done. Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts.

## The works of the Lord are great and glorious. His name is worthy of praise!

O Father most holy, gather us together in the name of Jesus whom the saints and angels adore as the Lamb on his throne and whose name is above every name,

that all we do might be done at your bidding, filled with your grace, directed by your wisdom, informed by your truth, accomplished to your glory.

# The works of the Lord are great and glorious. His love endures forever!

O Father most gracious, bring us together in the name of Jesus, that in him we might be a spiritual temple, that founded on him we might be built together as living stones; that in him we might offer to you the spiritual service

of praise and thanksgiving, of lives lived in your love, of proclaiming your words and works, and of sharing your gifts to us.

# The works of the Lord are great and glorious. Tell of all his wonderful deeds!

O Father eternal, you have sent out an invitation, you have prepared a great feast that all might enter the courts of your presence and the mansions of your paradise. Grant to us your blessing and peace,

that we may be witnesses of your truth, the reflection of your glory, and the ambassadors of your kingdom.

#### The works of the Lord are great and glorious. May our mouths be filled with his praise!

To you, O Father, together with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God from all eternity and to all eternity, be glory, wisdom, power, and dominion forever.

#### All sing:



Be seated

# **FIRST READING**

Deuteronomy 11:1-7, 16-21

Fix the Word in your hearts and minds

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### **ANTHEM**

#### On God and Not on Human Trust

On God and not on human trust,
My earthly stand I've taken;
On him who made me out of dust
I build with faith unshaken;
I trust his hands
Who understands,
For all that he bestoweth
Is good as he best knoweth.

Music: Johann Pachelbel (1653–1706)

Text: Christian Gellert (1715–1769)

Arrangement: Prof. Martin Albrecht (1979)

#### **SECOND READING**

1 Corinthians 2:1-10

God's wisdom revealed by the Spirit

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM This Is My Word

As the snow falls from heaven, as it comes in swirling showers from the sky, so is my Word.

As the rains bring the water to the earth that is thirsty and dry, so is my Word.

And the Word of my mouth, it shall not return empty; it will bless the earth wherever it is heard.

This is my Word.

As the rain brings renewal and the tender buds begin to come alive, so is my Word.
Giving seed to the sower, and the bread to the hungry 'til they thrive, so is my Word.
And the Word of my mouth, it shall not return empty; it will bless the earth wherever it is heard.
This is my Word.

O Lord, when I am weary, when I feel the days I'm living are in vain, my God, help me be faithful to the Word you have given to proclaim. Proclaim the Word, and you will go out in joy, and be led forth in peace, and the hills will break before you into song.

So be faithful, brave and true, for I will go before you, and when your earthly journey here is done. I'll say well done, well done!

As the snow falls from heaven, and the rain comes in showers from the sky, this is my Word.

Music: Pepper Choplin Text: Isaiah 55:10-12

Stand

GOSPEL Matthew 7:24–27

The wise and foolish builders

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ.

Be seated

#### **HYMN**

# O Christ, Who Called the Twelve

Christian Worship 716



- 2 O Christ, who taught the Twelve the truth for a ges sealed, whose
- 3 O Christ, who sent the Twelve on roads they'd nev er trod to
- 4 O Christ, th' a pos tles' Lord,  $\phantom{a}$  the  $\phantom{a}$  mar-tyrs' strength and song,  $\phantom{a}$  the



sak - ing old, fa - mil - iar ways for ven - tures bold and new: words and works a - wak-ened faith, the ways of God re - vealed: serve, to suf - fer, teach, pro-claim the near - er reign of God: cru - ci - fied and ris - en King to whom the saints be - long:



grant us to hear your call in - struct us now, we pray, send us on ways where faith though gen - er - a - tions pass, to risk se - cur - i - ty and, by your em-pow'r-ing Word. True tran-scends ti - mid - i - ty, where our trib - ute still we bring, our



bound in heart and will to you, find teach-er, be for all who seek their love in-forms and hope sus-tains both hymns a sac-ri-fice of praise, our

per - fect lib - er - ty. light, their life, their Lord. life and min - is - try. lives an of - fer - ing. SERMON Galatians 2:20

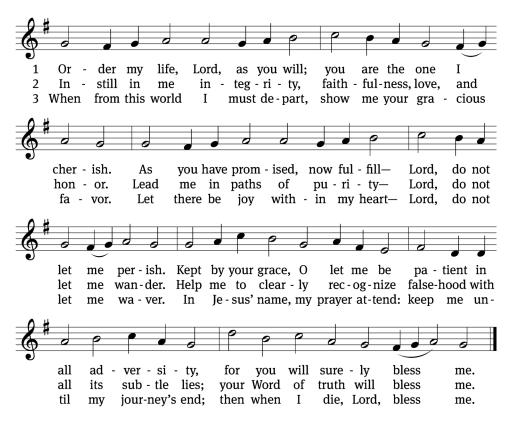
Professor Earle Treptow President of Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary

#### **Class Verse**

"I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me."

# What's Your Story?

Stand to sing:



Be seated

# DISTRIBUTION OF DIPLOMAS & CONFERRAL OF DEGREES

on students who have satisfactorily completed the seminary's prescribed course of study and have declared themselves to be in confessional agreement with the public doctrine of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod

Please refrain from applause during the distribution of diplomas.

# **Master of Divinity**

(names are on page 10 of service folder)

and

on pastors who have satisfactorily completed the seminary's program of post-graduate study

## **Master of Sacred Theology**

Gerhardt H. Juergens Lakeside, AZ Richard I. Krahn, II Manitowoc, WI

# **CLASS HYMN**

# God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It

Christian Worship 679 Setting by Kevin Becker Directed by Ryan Henning

- I God's own child, I gladly say it:
  I am baptized into Christ!
  He, because I could not pay it,
  gave my full redemption price.
  Do I need earth's treasures many?
  I have one worth more than any
  that brought me salvation free,
  lasting to eternity!
- 2 Sin, disturb my soul no longer:
  I am baptized into Christ!
  I have comfort even stronger:
  Jesus' cleansing sacrifice.
  Should a guilty conscience seize me since my baptism did release me in a dear forgiving flood,
  sprinkling me with Jesus' blood?
- Satan, hear this proclamation:
  I am baptized into Christ!
  Drop your ugly accusation,
  I am not so soon enticed.
  Now that to the font I've traveled,
  all your might has come unraveled,
  and, against your tyranny,
  God, my Lord, unites with me!

- Death, you cannot end my gladness:
  I am baptized into Christ!
  When I die, I leave all sadness
  to inherit paradise!
  Though I lie in dust and ashes
  faith's assurance brightly flashes:
  Baptism has the strength divine
  to make life immortal mine.
- There is nothing worth comparing to this lifelong comfort sure!

  Open-eyed my grave is staring: even there I'll sleep secure.

  Though my flesh awaits its raising, still my soul continues praising:
  I am baptized into Christ;
  I'm a child of paradise!

Stand

# **PRAYER**

#### **BLESSING**

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

Amen.

#### **CLOSING HYMN**

# Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Christian Worship 923 Arranged by Simon Johnson (b.1975)

- Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land. I am weak, but thou art mighty; hold me with thy pow'rful hand. Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more, feed me till I want no more.
- Open now the crystal fountain whence the healing stream doth flow; let the fiery, cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through. Strong deliv'rer, strong deliv'rer, be thou still my strength and shield, be thou still my strength and shield.

Be seated

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.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# **RECESSIONAL**

Graduates may be greeted on the walkway northwest of the auditorium.

Bottles of water are available following this service on the west side of the auditorium.

Copies of the list of the assignments, distributed at yesterday's Call Day service, are available from the ushers at the back of the auditorium.

CDs of recent recordings by the Seminary Chorus are available at the entrance to the auditorium for \$12.00.

Serving in the ministry of music were members of the Seminary Chorus directed by Prof. Aaron Christie. Noah Melso served as organist. Members of the seminary student body served in the brass choir.

# Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary Class of 2024

# **Master of Divinity Graduates**

Duane S. Backhaus Tomah, WI Benjamin D. Bitter Milwaukee, WI Keith R. Brassow Saginaw, MI Noah J. Bruckschen Mishicot, WI Andrew W. Carter Brownsville, WI Silas P. Dose New Ulm, MN Isaiah D. Duff St. Paul, MN Clayton J. Fury Houston, TX Ryan R. Gurgel Mequon, WI Caleb P. Gustafson West Bend, WI Noah J. Hartmann Milwaukee, WI Ryan E. Henning Jenera, OH Nathan S. Holz Clarksville, TN Jacob C. Klug Juneau, WI Caleb P. Koelpin Dallas, TX Zachary J. Meier Richfield, WI Micah L. Otto Baraboo, WI Tristan J. Pankow Bay City, MI Robert R. Read Richardson, TX Jonah R. Schlomer Rome, WI Jacob W. Schmidt Ixonia, WI Joshua M. Schroeder Chula Vista, CA Eli E. Steinbrenner Hartford, WI Hugo A. Ugalde-Bemer Cedar Rapids, IA Jacob D. Ungemach Manitowoc, WI Daniel L. Waterstradt Penryn, CA Zackary D. Zuberbier Milwaukee, WI

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