

Southern Methodist University

Seventy-fifth Annual Convocation

The Baccalaureate Service

Friday Evening, the Eighteenth of May Nineteen Hundred and Ninety at Eight O'clock

McFarlin Memorial Auditorium

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PRELUDE

Chorale No. III in A Minor

César Franck

THE PROCESSIONAL

Marche de Fête, Op. 36

Henri Büsser

The congregation rises when the procession enters the auditorium.

WORDS OF WELCOME

A. KENNETH PYE

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

PRESIDENT PYE

Our help is in the name of the Lord,

The Author of all that is.

Lord, who are we, that Thou has regard for us?

Or our families and forebears, that Thou should take account of them? We are like a breath, our days but fleeting shadows;

In the morning we flourish and grow like the grass;

In the evening we wither and die.

So teach us, Lord God, to number our days,

That we may have wisdom in our hearts.

Mark persons of integrity, O God, and stand by those who are righteous,

For your promise rests upon those who acknowledge truth, those who fashion justice and peace.

HYMN

Not Alone for Mighty Empire

Hyfrydol

Not alone for mighty empire, Stretching far o'er land and sea,

Not alone for bounteous harvests, Lift we up our hearts to thee:

Standing in the living present, Memory and hope between,

Lord, we would with deep thanksgiving, Praise thee most for things unseen.

Not for battleship and fortress, Not for conquests of the sword,

But for conquests of the spirit, Give we thanks to thee, O Lord;

For the priceless gifts of freedom, For the home, the church, the school,

For the open door to liberty, In a land the people rule.

For the armies of the faithful, Souls that passed and left no name,

For the glory that illumines, Patriot lives of deathless fame;

For our prophets and apostles, Loyal to the living Word,

For all heroes of the spirit, Give we thanks to thee, O Lord.

God of justice, save the people from the clash of race and creed,

From the strife of class and faction, Make our nation free indeed;

Keep her faith in simple value Strong as when her life began,

Till it find its full fruition in your love that has no end.

CALL TO PRAYER

RESPONSIVE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND PRAISE WILLIAM M. FINNIN, JR.

Holy God, you know our thoughts from afar: hear now the prayers of your people. With joyful voices we sing your praise in this hour. You have given us a victory, moved us to a threshold, and opened for us new horizons for the future.

For this and for all of life we praise your name, O God.

In these moments of passage, help us to savor memories of moments too soon complete and times forever passed.

Help us, O God, to remember these days.

Keep us not for the past alone, O God, but equip us for the future — a future filled with hope and marked by maturity. And grant to us, O God, your gift of wisdom. As we fashion our futures may we become your faithful servants, in tune with your intentions and capable of responding to greater human need.

In this hour of worship and in all our days ahead, O God, we acknowledge your authority in our lives, and we lift our voices in praise and thanksgiving. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Aria from Cantata No. 202, "Weichet nur, betrübte Schatten"

J. S. Bach

THE PSALTER (Responsively) Psalm 36:5-9 (The Jerusalem Bible)

CHAPLAIN FINNIN

Yahweh, your faithful love is in the heavens, your constancy reaches to the clouds, your saving justice is like towering mountains, your judgments like the mighty deep.

Yahweh, you support both man and beast; how precious, God, is your faithful love.

So the children of Adam take refuge in the shadow of your wings.

They feast on the bounty of your house, you let them drink from your delicious streams;

in you is the source of life,

by your light we see the light.

PRAYERS FOR THE ILLUMINATION OF SCRIPTURE

LEROY T. HOWE

LESSON FROM THE HOLY SCRIPTURES
II Corinthians 3:17-4:6 and Psalm 36:5-9

INTRODUCTION OF THE PREACHER

PRESIDENT PYE

"Becoming Spiritual in Self-Defense"

(Moments of Silence)

RESPONSIVE PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING

CHAPLAIN FINNIN

Mighty God, in this hour you have summoned us to be diligent teachers and eager learners throughout our lives, both in this community and in the larger world; now send us forth into that world as your willing servants.

We have heard your word to us, O God; grant us integrity in the days before us.

For clear vision and noble character to prevail against the forces of darkness and distortion, against injustice and broken trust,

We give you thanks and praise, O Lord.

For new occasions that teach duties and require bold choice and for deep-rooted values that support our choosing, even in times of conflict and in moments of uncertainty,

We give you grateful thanks and praise.

That our broken world may be healed of hate and all that frustrates peace, O Lord, and that through our renewed sense of common good we may contribute to Your vision of hope for human futures,

We commit our minds, our hearts, and our lives to you as teachers, students, and fellow travelers on this pilgrim adventure. In all we do, may Your purposes for healthy creation come to pass. And as we depart this place, be for us a sure destination and a clear sign of hope on our lifelong journey. Amen.

HYMN

"God The Omnipotent"

Russian Hymn

God the Omnipotent! King, who ordainest Thunder thy clarion, the lightning thy sword; Show forth thy pity on high where thou reignest; Give to us peace in our time, O Lord.

God the Allmerciful! earth hath forsaken Meekness and mercy, and slighted thy Word; Let not thy wrath in its terrors awaken; Give to us peace in our time, O Lord.

God the Allrighteous One! Man hath defied thee; Yet to eternity standeth thy Word; Falsehood and wrong shall not tarry beside thee; Give to us peace in our time, O Lord.

So shall thy people, with thankful devotion, Praise him who saved them from peril and sword, Singing in chorus from ocean to ocean, Peace to the nations, and praise to the Lord. Amen. The congregation will remain seated until the recessional is complete.

The preacher for the Baccalaureate Service, held in conjunction with the seventy-fifth annual Commencement Convocation of Southern Methodist University, is the Reverend Dr. Janice Riggle Huie. Dr. Huie received a Bachelor of Arts cum laude from The University of Texas at Austin in 1969 and a Master of Theology from SMU's Perkins School of Theology in 1973. While serving as co-pastor with her husband, Robert W. Huie, at Methodist churches in Austin and Mason, Texas and raising two sons, Matthew and David, Mrs. Huie continued her studies, completing the Doctor of Ministry degree at Candler School of Theology at Emory University in 1989. Dr. Huie served as Churchwoman-in-Residence at Candler in 1984 and 1985. In addition to her responsibilities as wife, mother, student and pastor, Dr. Huie serves her community as a published author, frequent guest speaker at universities and conferences, chairperson, board-member, and adjunct faculty. Currently, she is co-pastor at Manchaca United Methodist Church in Austin, Texas.

MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

PRESIDING:

Mr. A. Kenneth Pye

President of the University

PREACHING:

The Reverend Dr. Janice Riggle Huie

Co-Pastor, Manchaca United Methodist Church, Austin, Texas

LECTOR:

The Reverend Dr. Leroy T. Howe

Associate Provost and Professor of Pastoral Theology

LITURGIST:

The Reverend Dr. William M. Finnin, Jr.

Chaplain and Preacher to the University

ORGANIST:

Dr. Robert T. Anderson

University Distinguished Professor of Organ

and Sacred Music

SOLOIST:

Laura Claycomb, soprano

B.M. in Voice, B.A. in Spanish, August 1990

INSTRUMENTALIST:

Roger Roe, oboe

B.M. in Oboe Performance, May 1990

PRESIDENT'S FAREWELL TO THE CLASS OF 1990

McFARLIN AUDITORIUM

(immediately following the Baccalaureate Service)

MUSIC

University Trumpet Choir William H. Lively, Conducting

INTRODUCTION

JEFF D. CHALK III Chief Marshal of the University

REMARKS

LEE MAHOOD President of the Alumni Association

PRESIDENT'S FAREWELL

A. KENNETH PYE President of the University

PASSING OF LEADERSHIP

MICHAEL SCOTT GRAY President of the Class of 1990

NEAL FAULKNER President of the Class of 1991

SINGING OF VARSITY