



Southern Methodist University

Seventy-eighth Annual Convocation

The Baccalaureate Service

Friday Evening, the Twenty-first of May
Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-three
at Eight O'clock

McFarlin Memorial Auditorium

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PRELUDE

Praeludium in g, BuxWV 149

Dietrich Buxtehude

THE PROCESSIONAL

Rigaudon

André Campra

The congregation rises when the procession reaches the doors of the auditorium.

WORDS OF WELCOME

A. KENNETH PYE

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

WILLIAM M. FINNIN, JR.

In returning and rest you shall be saved;

in quietness and in trust shall be your strength.

Come, let us return to the Lord.

Let us wait upon the Lord, our strength and our shield.

Our help is in the name of the Lord,

who creates and redeems and sustains all that is.

Give thanks to God with your whole heart,

for the Lord, our God, is good.

HYMN

We, Thy People, Praise Thee

St. Anthony's Chorale

We, thy people, praise thee, praise thee, God of every nation!

We, thy people, praise thee, praise thee, Lord of Hosts eternal!

Days of wonder, days of beauty, days of rapture filled with light
tell thy goodness, tell thy mercies, tell thy glorious might.

We, thy people, praise thee, praise thee, God of every nation!

We, thy people, praise thee, praise thee, Lord of Hosts eternal!

For thy blessings, for thy bounty, joyful songs to thee we sing,
Songs of glory, songs of triumph to our God and King.

We, thy people, praise thee, praise thee, God of every nation!

We, thy people, praise thee, praise thee, Lord of Hosts eternal!

THE INVOCATION

NANCY KASTEN

THE PSALTER

Psalm 104: 1-6, 24

BRAD ADAMS

Responsively, the congregation rising

Bless the Lord, O my soul!

O Lord my God, you are very great!

You are clothed with honor and majesty, and cover yourself with light as with a garment;

you have stretched out the heavens like a tent

and have laid the beams of your chambers on the waters;

you make the clouds your chariot, and ride on the wings of the wind;

you make the winds your messengers, fire and flame your ministers.

You set the earth on its foundations so that it should never be shaken.

You covered it with the deep as with a garment; the waters stood above the mountains.

O Lord, how manifold are your works!

In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

PRAYERS FOR THE ILLUMINATION OF SCRIPTURE

JEFF ZANARINI

LESSONS FROM THE HOLY SCRIPTURES

JEFF ZANARINI

I Corinthians 13:11-13

Ruth 1:6-19

INTRODUCTION OF THE PREACHER

PRESIDENT PYE

VOCAL SOLO

“Let the Bright Seraphim”

George Frederick Handel

THE BACCALAUREATE SERMON

CAROLE COTTON-WINN

“Dirt Roads and Cornfields”

Moments of Silence

RESPONSIVE PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING

RABBI KASTEN

Mighty God, you have called us to be diligent teachers and eager learners in all that we do, both in this community and in your larger world. Now send us forth into that world as your willing servants.

We have heard your call in this hour, O God; we are ready to respond. Remind us well that the purpose of our new degrees is not to separate us into categories of status, but to bring us closer to the needs of those who have no degrees, to the millions in every nation who even tonight face life without sufficient food or a safe place to sleep. Grant that we may never rest easily until we have struggled with our vocations in light of their need.

Now, as we depart this place, grant that through our many separate journeys, our lives may reflect your call to never-ending service in your name. Amen.

HYMN

All Who Love and Serve Your City

Charlestown

All who love and serve your city, all who bear its daily stress,
all who cry for peace and justice, all who curse and all who bless:

In your day of loss and sorrow, in your day of helpless strife,
honor, peace, and love retreating, seek the Lord, who is your life.

In your day of wealth and plenty, wasted work and wasted play,
call to mind the words of Jesus, “Work ye yet while it is day.”

For all days are days of judgment, and your God is waiting still,
drawing near to all who spurn him, offering peace to all who will.

Holy God, shall yet the city be the city of despair?

Come today, our Judge, our Glory, be its name, “Our God is there!”

THE BLESSING AND BENEDICTION

CHAPLAIN FINNIN

THE RECESSIONAL

Trumpet Tune (from Drottningholms-Musique)
Prelude in C minor, BWV 546

John Helmich Roman
Johann Sebastian Bach

THE REVEREND DR. CAROLE COTTON-WINN

The Reverend Dr. Carole Cotton-Winn, preacher for this year's Baccalaureate Service, is the first woman to be appointed District Superintendent in the Louisiana Conference of The United Methodist Church. She has served as Lake Charles District Superintendent since 1990. Reverend Cotton-Winn, a native of Louisiana, earned a B.A. degree in 1965 from Centenary College in Shreveport. She received her seminary education from SMU's Perkins School of Theology, where she earned a B.D. degree in 1970 and received the Outstanding Senior Award.

She has been a member of the Louisiana Annual Conference since 1970, when she was ordained a deacon. Reverend Cotton-Winn was the first woman seminarian to serve as a probationary member and a deacon in Louisiana. She served her first appointments as associate minister at Aurora United Methodist Church and Rayne Memorial United Methodist Church in New Orleans. She later served at Brownville United Methodist Church in West Monroe.

Reverend Cotton-Winn and her husband, the Reverend John M. Winn, Jr. have pioneered as a clergy couple in the Louisiana Conference. They were appointed as co-pastors to First United Methodist Church in Houma in 1978. The couple also served as co-pastors from 1968 to 1990 at the Aldersgate United Methodist Church in Slidell.

Through her ministerial career, Reverend Cotton-Winn has been active at the district, conference, and general levels of The United Methodist Church. She currently serves on the Commission on the General Conference until 1996. From 1988 to 1990, Reverend Cotton-Winn returned to Perkins School of Theology to serve in the Young Pastor's Mentor Program.

MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

- Presiding: A. KENNETH PYE
President of the University
- Preaching: THE REVEREND DR. CAROLE COTTON-WINN
District Superintendent, Lake Charles District, the Louisiana Conference of
The United Methodist Church
- Liturgists: THE REVEREND DR. WILLIAM M. FINNIN, JR.
Chaplain and Preacher to the University

RABBI NANCY KASTEN
Assistant Chaplain to the University
- Lectors: BRAD ADAMS, B.B.A. in Accounting, May 1993
Senior Class Council
JEFF ZANARINI, B.S. in Economics, B.A. in French, May 1993
Students' Association President
- Organist: DR. ROBERT T. ANDERSON
University Distinguished Professor of Organ and Sacred Music
MICHAEL W. LINDNER, B.M. Organ Performance, 1989, Candidate for M.S.M.
- Soloists: JOHANNA WISEMAN, Soprano, B.M., Voice Performance, 1993
DAVID ALPAR, Trumpet, B.M. Trumpet Performance, 1993

The University wishes to give special thanks to Jane Lane, director of McFarlin Auditorium, who is retiring in September. This is her last baccalaureate with us. She has been a constant help and comfort through the years. She will be missed.