

EIGHTY-SIXTH ANNUAL CONVOCATION
THE BACCALAUREATE SERVICE
SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY

FRIDAY EVENING

THE EIGHTEENTH OF MAY

TWO THOUSAND AND ONE

AT EIGHT O'CLOCK

MCFARLIN MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM

CARILLON CONCERT AND CALL TO BACCALAUREATE

Lorn L. Howard, Professor *Emeritus* of Electrical Engineering Fondren Science Tower, 7:30 p.m.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE PRELUDE

Fantaisie in C Major (1868)

César Franck

THE PROCESSIONAL

Crown Imperial

William Walton

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

WORDS OF WELCOME

President R. Gerald Turner

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

University Chaplain William M. Finnin, Jr.

Psalm 100 "A Psalm for Praise"

Raise a shout for the Lord, all the earth!

Worship the Lord in gladness;

Come into God's presence with shouts of joy.

Acknowledge that the Lord is God

Who made us, and we are God's,

God's people, the flock God tends.

Enter the gates with praise

And the courts with acclamation.

Praise the Lord!

Bless God's name!

For the Lord is good:

God's steadfast love is eternal;

God's faithfulness is for all generations.

HYMN

Praise the Source of Faith and Learning

Hymn to Joy

Praise the Source of faith and learning Who has sparked and stoked the mind With a passion for discerning how the work has been designed. Let the sense of wonder flowing from the wonders we survey Keep our faith forever growing and renew our need to pray.

God of wisdom, we acknowledge that our science and our art And the breadth of human knowledge only partial truth impart. Far beyond our calculation lies a depth we cannot sound Where your purpose for creation and the pulse of life are found.

May our faith redeem the blunder of believing that our thought Has displaced the grounds for wonder which the ancient prophets taught. May our learning curb the error which unthinking faith can breed Lest we justify some terror with an antiquated creed.

As two currents in a river fight each other's undertow Till converging they deliver one coherent steady flow. Blend, O God, our faith and learning till they carve a single course, Till they join as one returning, praise and thanks to you, their Source.

THE INVOCATION

Assistant Chaplain Judy Henneberger

PRAYERS FOR THE ILLUMINATION OF SCRIPTURE

Dr. Evelyn Parker

THE PSALTER

Psalm 92: 1-6 "A Psalm for the Sabbath Day"

It is good to praise You, God,

to sing praise to Your name, O Most High, to proclaim Your steadfast love at daybreak, Your faithfulness each night.

You have gladdened me by Your deeds, O Lord; I shout for joy at your handiwork.
How great are Your works, O Lord, how profound Your designs.

LESSONS FROM THE HOLY SCRIPTURES

Sirach 24:1-6, 13-22

VOCAL SOLO
An Evening Hymn

Henry Purcell

INTRODUCTION OF THE PREACHER

President Turner

THE BACCALAUREATE ADDRESS

Dr. Valerie Hotchkiss

"Alma Mater"

(Moments of Silence)

RESPONSIVE PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING

Chaplain Finnin

Hindu Prayer

Holy 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.

Give us the strength lightly to bear our joys and sorrows.

Give us the strength to make our love fruitful in service.

Give us the strength never to disown the poor or bend our knees before insolent might.

Give us the strength to raise our minds high above earthly trifles.

And give us the strength to surrender our strength to Your will with love. Amen.

God of the ages, whose almighty hand leads forth in beauty all the starry band of shining worlds in splendor through the skies, our grateful songs before thy throne arise.

Thy love divine hath led us in the past; in this free land with thee our lot is cast; be thou our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay, thy Word our law, thy paths our chosen way.

From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence, be thy strong arm our ever sure defense; thy true religion in our hearts increase; thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.

Refresh thy people on their toil-some way; lead us from night to never-ending day; fill all our lives with love and grace divine, and glory, laud, and praise be ever thine.

THE BLESSING AND RESPONSE

Chaplain Finnin

The time has come to go forth.

Senior Class: We go in thanksgiving for all we have learned.

This is a bittersweet moment.

Senior Class: We rejoice in our growth and in bonds of friendship, even as we bid farewell.

This is a moment of anticipation.

Senior Class: We look forward with excitement, eager to embrace that which awaits us.

Go now in peace and hope; and may blessings accompany you always. Amen.

Please stay in place for the Rotunda Recessional, which will follow immediately.

THE ROTUNDA RECESSIONAL

Many of tonight's candidates for graduation began their lives at SMU by marching through the Rotunda of Dallas Hall to Opening Convocation in this auditorium. Tonight, all candidates will return through that Rotunda as a symbolic anticipation of tomorrow's graduation ceremonies that will end one stage of membership in this community and begin another, that of being a part of the SMU alumni.

REMARKS

Abena Osei

President of the Class of 2001

After her remarks, the president of the Senior Class will pass the lantern that signifies continuity to Jonathan Childers, representative of the Class of 2002.

Susan Nowlin President of the Alumni Association

CALL TO THE RECESSIONAL

Bradley Kent Carter Chief Marshal

VARSITY

Oh we see the Varsity,
Varsity, Varsity,
As she towers o'er the hill
Over there.
And our hearts are filled with joy,
SMU, SMU,
Alma Mater we'll be true
Forever!

After "Varsity," all candidates will remain standing. As soon as the stage party is organized in a central aisle, ushers will help guests assemble on both sides of the diagonal walk to Dallas Hall. As this is being accomplished, the stage party will lead the Rotunda Recessional. Marshals will organize the candidates' march.

THE RECESSIONAL

Sortie, Opus 62

Marcel Dupré

Reception after Rotunda Recessional

VALERIE R. HOTCHKISS

Valerie R. Hotchkiss has served as the J.S. Bridwell Foundation Endowed Librarian and director of Bridwell Library since 1993. She also is an associate professor of medieval studies in Perkins School of Theology. Under her leadership, Bridwell has gained national recognition by sponsoring major exhibitions, workshops, and lecture series, and by publishing award-winning catalogs. In addition, she has helped raise \$15 million for the library's endowment. "I consider librarianship my vocation, rather than a job," Dr. Hotchkiss says. She has followed this "calling" since she was 14 years old, attracted to the profession by a love of libraries that began in her childhood, a fact she acknowledged in her sermon, "The Library as Paradise," which she gave in honor of Bridwell Library's 50th birthday this year. The speech led Provost Ross C Murfin to request that she speak at Baccalaureate. Dr. Hotchkiss earned a Master of Library Science degree from Southern Connecticut State University, after receiving her B.A. with summa cum laude honors in classical languages and literatures from the University of Cincinnati. In addition, she studied classics at the University of Tübingen in Germany. Later, she attended Yale University, where she earned the M.A. (1987), M.Phil. (1988), and Ph.D. (1990) degrees in medieval studies. "Classics and medieval studies provide a good course of study for someone in the multidisciplinary atmosphere of a library," she says. Dr. Hotchkiss is the author of numerous articles in the fields of medieval studies and librarianship, with topics ranging from the earliest literary Dracula to the legend of the female pope to library fund raising. She also is author of Clothes Make the Man: Female Cross Dressing in Medieval Europe and co-author with Jaroslav Pelikan and David Price of the award-winning book, The Reformation of the Bible/The Bible of the Reformation. She is completing a five-volume collection on creeds and confessions of faith to be published by Yale Press.

MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Presiding:

R. Gerald Turner

President of the University

Preaching:

Valerie Hotchkiss

Bridwell Library Chair, Bridwell Library, Perkins School of Theology

Liturgist:

The Reverend William M. Finnin, Jr.

Chaplain to the University

Judy Henneberger, Assistant Chaplain to the University

Lector:

Evelyn Parker

Assistant Professor of Christian Education, Perkins School of Theology

Organist:

Larry Palmer

Professor of Harpsichord and Organ and University Organist

Precentor:

Jasper Neel

Dean of Dedman College

Soloist:

Natasha Wells, M.M., Voice performance, 2001

Trumpet Choir:

David Kehler

Director of the Mustang Band