



EIGHTY-FOURTH ANNUAL CONVOCATION  
THE BACCALAUREATE SERVICE  
SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY

FRIDAY EVENING  
THE FOURTEENTH OF MAY  
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-NINE  
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

Joy and Brightness of the Glorious Bodies (*Les Corps Glorieux*)      Olivier Messiaen  
“Then the righteous will shine forth like the sun in the kingdom of their Father.”  
(St. Matthew 13:43)

#### THE PROCESSIONAL

March Heroïque      A. Herbert Brewer  
*The congregation rises when the procession reaches the doors of the auditorium.*

#### WORDS OF WELCOME

President R. Gerald Turner

#### THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Assistant Chaplain Kay Painter

#### 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 Painter
PRAYERS FOR THE ILLUMINATION OF SCRIPTURE	Ross C Murfin
LESSONS FROM THE HOLY SCRIPTURES Exodus 3:7-12	Provost Murfin
INTRODUCTION OF THE PREACHER	President Turner
THE BACCALAUREATE SERMON "Finding the Power" <i>(Moments of Silence)</i>	The Reverend Mark Craig
RESPONSIVE PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING	Assistant Chaplain Painter
<p>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.</p>	
<p><b>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.</b></p>	Hindu Prayer
HYMN	Charlestown
<p><i>All Who Love and Serve Your City</i></p> <p>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:</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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."</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Holy God, shall yet the city be the city of despair? Come today, our Judge, our Glory, be its name, "Our God is there!"</p>	

THE BLESSING AND RESPONSE

Assistant Chaplain Painter

The end of our time in this community draws near.

Senior Class: **We give thanks for all we have learned.**

These are bittersweet moments.

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

These are moments of anticipation.

Senior Class: **We look forward with excitement, eager to embrace the future's  
promise.**

Now may God's peace be with you, may God's hope nurture you on your way, and may  
the blessing of God 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 life 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

Josh Denney  
President of the Class of 1999

*Following his remarks, the president of the Senior Class will pass the lantern that signifies continuity to Paul Denney, representative of the Class of 2000.*

Albon Head  
President of the Alumni Association

### CALL TO THE RECESSIONAL

Bradley Kent Carter  
Chief Marshal

### VARSIITY

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!

*Following "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

Prelude in C Minor, BWV 546

Johann Sebastian Bach

*Reception following Rotunda Recessional on Fondren Science lawn.*

## MARK CRAIG

The Reverend Mark Craig, senior minister of Highland Park United Methodist Church, has maintained an active relationship with SMU since his appointment in 1995 to the church's leadership. He is a member of SMU's Board of Trustees and serves on the Committees on Student Affairs and on Academic Policy, Planning, and Management. He also has served on the Buildings and Grounds Committee. A supporter of SMU athletics, the Rev. Craig is a member of the Mustang Club and attends football and basketball games. He also serves on the board of Texas Wesleyan University.

Before joining Highland Park Methodist, the Rev. Craig was the founding minister of Custer Road United Methodist Church in Plano, which has grown to be one of the largest Methodist churches in the area. A Fort Worth native, the Rev. Craig received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Austin College and a Master of Divinity degree from Duke Divinity School. He was awarded a graduate fellowship to St. Michael's in Dumfries, Scotland, in 1972 and was ordained as an elder in the Central Texas Conference of the United Methodist Church in 1973. He and his wife, Dr. Sandra Craig, live in Dallas.

### MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Presiding:	R. Gerald Turner President of the University
Preaching:	The Reverend Mark Craig Senior Minister, Highland Park United Methodist Church
Liturgist:	The Reverend Kay Painter Assistant Chaplain to the University
Lector:	Ross C Murfin Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs
Organist:	Larry Palmer Professor of Harpsichord and Organ
Precentor:	Jasper Neel Dean of Dedman College of Humanities and Sciences
Trumpet Choir:	David Kehler Director of the Mustang Band