WASHINGTON AND LEE UNIVERSITY



Baccalaureate Service

Wednesday, May the Twenty-Sixth Two Thousand and Ten

LEXINGTON, VIRGINIA

ORDER OF WORSHIP

(The service will proceed without announcement.)



PRELUDE AND ACADEMIC PROCESSION

Brass 5

OPENING REMARKS

KENNETH P. RUSCIO President of the University

ANTHEM

The Road Home
Arrangement, Stephen Paulus

CHAMBER SINGERS SHANE LYNCH, Conductor

CALL TO WORSHIP

WILLIAM C. DATZ
Catholic Campus Minister
Diocese of Richmond

Lector: Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands. Serve the Lord with gladness; come before his presence with singing.

People: Know ye that the Lord, he is God; it is he that hath made us and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

- L: Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise; be thankful unto him, and bless his name.
- P: For the Lord is good, his mercy is everlasting, and his truth endureth to all generations. (Psalm 100)
- L: This is the day which the Lord hath made.
- P: We will rejoice and be glad in it.
- L: Lift up your hearts.
- P: We lift them up unto the Lord.

PRAYER

- L: Let us read together the Word of God, which shows forth our duty, the source of our strength, and the valor of those who have laid the foundations upon which we build.
- L: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is one Lord.
- P: And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might. (Deuteronomy 6:4, 5)
- L: And the Lord said, Ye shall be holy: for I the Lord your God am holy.
- P: And thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself: I am the Lord.

(Leviticus 19:2, 18)

- L: He hath showed thee what is good.
- P: What doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God? (Micah 6:8)
- L: I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills. From whence cometh my help?
- P: My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth.
- L: He will not suffer thy foot to be moved; he that keepeth thee will not slumber.
- P: Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.
- L: The Lord is thy keeper; the Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand.
- P: The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night.L: The Lord shall preserve thee from evil: he shall preserve thy soul.
- P: The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even forevermore. (Psalm 121)
- L: Let us now praise famous people, and those that begot us.
- P: The Lord manifested in them great glory, even his mighty power from the beginning.
- L: Such as did bear rule, and were renowned for their power, giving counsel by their understanding.
- P: Leaders of the people by their counsels, and scholars for the people; wise were the words of their instruction:
- L: Such as sought out musical tunes, and set forth verses in writing:
- P: Richly furnished with ability, living peaceably in their habitations.
- L: All these were honored in their generations, and were a glory in their days.
- P: They have left a name behind them, to declare their praises.
- *L*: And some there be, which have no memorial:
- P: But these were people of mercy, whose righteous deeds have not been forgotten.
- L: All will declare their wisdom.
- P: And the congregation telleth out their praise.
- L: The memorial of virtue is immortal.
- P: Because it is known with us and with God. (Ecclesiasticus 44)
- L: All nations shall come and worship before the Lord;
- P: And shall glorify his Name.
- *L*: He maketh wars to cease unto the end of the earth;
- P: He breaketh the bow and cutteth the spear in sunder. (Psalm 46:9)
- L: Sing unto God, ye kingdoms of the earth;
- P: O sing praises unto the Lord forever. (Psalm 68:32)

(Psalm 86:9)

ANTHEM

Shenandoah Arrangement, James Erb

BACCALAUREATE CHOIR Conductor, SHANE LYNCH

ADDRESS

THE REV. WILLIAM KLEIN Pastor, Lexington Presbyterian Church

HYMN

(Congregation standing)

1.

O God, our Help in ages past, Our Hope for years to come, Our Shelter from the stormy blast, And our Eternal Home.

2.

Before the hills in order stood,
Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting Thou art God,
To endless years the same.

3.

A thousand ages in Thy sight
Are like an evening gone,
Short as the watch that ends the night
Before the rising sun.

4.

O God, our Help in ages past, Our Hope for years to come; Be Thou our Guide while life shall last, And our Eternal Home. Amen.

CHORAL BENEDICTION

Washington and Lee Hymn Music, Margaret Brouwer Text, Scott Howe '93

BACCALAUREATE CHOIR

ADJOURNMENT

MEMBERS OF BRASS 5

GERALD POPE, trumpet; CHRIS E. MAGEE, trumpet; RUSSELL NELSON, horn; Tom McKenzie, trombone; Robert Chernault, tuba

The Washington and Lee Baccalaureate Service arises from the religious traditions of the University, a university founded by disciplined, thrifty and strong-willed Scots-Irish Presbyterians. They came to this valley in search of freedom from religious constraint and with a desire to fashion a community of hard-working individuals. From that disposition, they created a place of learning that has been ever non-sectarian. The roots of this ceremony go back to the 18th century, and, as it was then, it remains a time for us to reflect on the values that have supported our educational approach and the purpose of an education in the life of a caring individual.

