

THE THIRD GRADUATION CONVOCATION

Saturday, April 28, 1990
3:00 p.m.
Edmonton Convention Centre



Concordia College Edmonton

WELCOME AND HISTORY

The Board of Regents, students, faculty and staff of Concordia College extend a warm welcome to all who join us today for the conferring of degrees on the members of our third graduating class.

Concordia College, founded on October 31, 1921, offers students a liberal arts education in a Christian context. The College's original purpose was preparatory training of young men for the preaching and teaching ministries of The Lutheran Church — Missouri Synod. Co-education, general courses of study, and an accredited high school program were introduced in 1939. In 1967, the University of Alberta granted Concordia's request for affiliation at the first-year university level; second-year affiliation followed in 1975. On July 16, 1987, Concordia College became a degree-granting institution, offering three-year baccalaureate degrees in Arts and Science. The College was accepted into provisional membership by the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada on March 7, 1990.

Concordia College is owned and operated by The Lutheran Church-Canada, and governed by an elected Board of Regents. The philosophy of the institution is expressed in its motto: *"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom."*

Concordia's students were challenged to *"LOOK UP!"* by the theme for the 1989-1990 academic year. As the Apostle Paul admonished Timothy, they were advised not to *"let anyone look down on you because you are young, but be an example . . . in your speech, your conduct, your love, faith, and purity"* (1 Timothy 4:12).

ACADEMIC DRESS

The **ACADEMIC GOWN** dates back to the twelfth century. While originally it may have been worn as protection against the cold of unheated buildings, it has come to symbolize levels of academic scholarship with variations in sleeves and decorations representing degree levels.

The **ACADEMIC CAP** symbolizes the dignity and freedom of scholarship. The mortarboard (a square cap) represents a book. Tassel colors may vary according to the wearer's major area of study. Gold bullion tassels indicate doctor's degrees.

The **ACADEMIC HOOD** varies both in size and color. The colors of the silk lining of the hood are the colors of the institution granting the degree. The hoods of Concordia College are lined with blue and white, the school colors. The color of the velvet edging indicates the academic discipline in which the degree has been earned. The color for arts is white and the color for science is gold.

The **GOLD CORD** indicates a degree earned with distinction or with high distinction.

THE ORDER OF THE PROCESSIONAL

The Crucifer
The Candidates for the Degrees of
Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science
The Representatives of Colleges,
Seminaries and Universities
The Faculty
The Officiants
The President

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

O Canada! Our home and native land!
True patriot love in all thy sons command,
With glowing hearts we see thee rise,
The true north, strong and free!
From far and wide, O Canada,
We stand on guard for thee.

God keep our land glorious and free!
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee,
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

THE ALMA MATER

Far above Saskatchewan's waters,
With its waves of blue,
Stands our noble Alma Mater,
Glorious to view.

Lift the chorus, speed it onward
Loud her praises tell;
Hail to thee! Our Alma Mater,
Hail, Concordia, hail!

THE CONVOCATION PROGRAM

PROCESSIONAL

INVOCATION

Prof. Richard W. Kraemer

NATIONAL ANTHEM

WELCOME

Mr. Edwin A. Klarenbach

CHOIR ANTHEM

*"All That Hath Life and
Breath Praise the Lord"*

Rene Klauson

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER

Dr. Judith C. Meier

CONVOCATION ADDRESS

Dr. Dianne K. Kieren
"Look Up! Celebrate Your Uniqueness"

CHOIR ANTHEM

"Te Deum"

John Rutter

CONFERRING OF DEGREES

Dr. Sheri A. Dalton
Dr. Catherine I. Eddy
Prof. Richard W. Kraemer
Dr. Judith C. Meier
Dr. Orville C. Walz
Dr. Richard A. Willie

ALMA MATER

CHRISTO ET ECCLESIAE
AWARD PRESENTATION

Dr. Orville C. Walz

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dr. Orville C. Walz

CONCORDIA HYMN

BENEDICTION

Prof. Richard W. Kraemer

RECESSIONAL

THE PRESENTATION

The Vice-President for Student Services asks the candidates for degrees to rise, and presents them with these words:

“Mr. President, I present the candidates for the degrees of Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science. Dr. Walz, these candidates have fulfilled all requirements prescribed by the faculty and have been recommended as worthy of the degree of Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science.”

THE ADMISSION

The President addresses the candidates in these words:

“By virtue of the authority given to me through the charter granted to Concordia College by the Government of Alberta, and as the Executive Officer of its Board of Regents, I confer upon you the degree of Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science to which you are entitled. I invest you with all the power, rights and privileges pertaining to the degree, and I charge you to use them for the glory of God and the honor of your country.”



Degrees with Distinction: The notation "With Distinction" is inscribed on the permanent record of a candidate who obtains a grade point average between 7.5 and 8.4 in meeting the degree requirements of the program.

Degrees with High Distinction: The notation "With High Distinction" is inscribed on the permanent record of a candidate who obtains a grade point average of 8.5 or higher in meeting the degree requirements of the program.

THE THIRD GRADUATING CLASS

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Scott Daron Bateman	Edmonton, Alberta
Kimberly Ann Clark	Edmonton, Alberta
*Fraser Robert Coltman	Edmonton, Alberta
Matthew Philemon Day	Hinton, Alberta
Kenneth David Eckert	Edmonton, Alberta
Brent Gordon Goebel	Kitchener, Ontario
Karen Ann Kendel	St. Paul, Alberta
David Michael Lieffertz	Duncan, British Columbia
Brenda Lee Mazurek	Edmonton, Alberta
Chandra Edlyn Montgomery	Devon, Alberta
Jo-Ann Christine Olsen	Westlock, Alberta
Jennifer Margarete Perdicaris	Edmonton, Alberta
Michelle Anne Perrault	Sherwood Park, Alberta
Christa Sophia Elizabeth Poscente	Sherwood Park, Alberta
Vinita Prasad	Edmonton, Alberta
Kathryn Marie Rodeman	Leduc, Alberta
*Randall Nelson Scott	Strathroy, Ontario
**Kirsten Rachael Selman	Edmonton, Alberta
Aaron Vincent Trautmann	North Battleford, Saskatchewan
Holly Ann Wagner	Yorkton, Saskatchewan
Jacqueline Anne Bok	Edmonton, Alberta

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Darren Fredrick Barber	Wetaskiwin, Alberta
Melody Christine Cordoviz	Edmonton, Alberta
Daryl Stephen Dudiak	Edmonton, Alberta
*Vance Walter Elliott	Maidstone, Saskatchewan
Alexander Moises Espinoza	Edmonton, Alberta
Arthur MacCrimmon	Edmonton, Alberta
Valerie Louise Melnychuk	Edmonton, Alberta
Leslie James Srediak	Edmonton, Alberta
Matthew Lorne Slobod	Edmonton, Alberta
Christina Maria Solinas	Edmonton, Alberta
*Warren Scott Stein	Edmonton, Alberta

* With Distinction

** With High Distinction

THE CONVOCATION SPEAKER

Dr. Dianne Kieren is Associate Vice-President (Academic) and Professor of Family Studies at the University of Alberta. She is both a certified family life educator and a certified home economist. She has taught at the University for over twenty years and has had particular interest in preventative programming in family enrichment and family life education. She is the author of numerous research articles and textbooks dealing with the development and assessment of educational programs and activities which can build more effective family units. Her current research work is in the areas of family problem solving, sexuality education and women's work environments.

Dr. Kieren received her B.A. (Magna Cum Laude) at St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minnesota and her M.Sc. and Ph.D. from the University of Minnesota. She has served on the Board of Regents of Camrose Lutheran University College for over ten years. She is currently Vice-Chairman of that Board.

THE CHRISTO ET ECCLESIAE AWARD

The Christo Et Ecclesiae Award is presented annually by the Board of Regents of Concordia College to an individual whose life has exemplified commitment to Christ and His Church. The Board is honored to recognize Rev. Fred T. Gabert of Vancouver, British Columbia, this year.

Fred Gabert was born on the family farm southwest of Bruderheim, Alberta, in 1910. The desire to enter the pastoral ministry was implanted into his heart at an early age, and he enrolled as a Grade IX ministerial student at Concordia College two weeks before his fourteenth birthday in 1924. Pastor Gabert remembers the College's move to its present location during the Christmas holidays in 1925, and the wonder of being housed in a brand new dormitory, having spacious study rooms, taking lessons in well-planned classrooms, and worshipping in a dignified chapel. Included in the "red letter" events that highlighted his stay were Reformation Day morning devotions, for which the faculty and student body climbed onto the roof of the main building and, accompanied by the College's brass band, sang *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* at maximum volume!

Pastor Gabert graduated from Concordia in 1930 and entered Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, Missouri, where he completed a divinity degree in 1934. His first call was to a parish in Brightview, Alberta. Following service in a large Fraser Valley parish in British Columbia, he accepted a call to Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Vancouver in 1945, where he remained until retirement in 1974. He has continued to serve as a vacancy pastor in the Vancouver area.

Fred Gabert has held various offices in the Church at large, including Vice-President, Secretary, and Chairman of Parish Education for the Alberta-British Columbia District, and Editor of the "Canadian Lutheran."

Fred and Lillian (Schneider) Gabert have three children — Lucille, Sylvia and Howard — and nine grandchildren. The families all live in the Vancouver area.

THE CONCORDIA HYMN

Concordia, thank God for thee;
Your witness strong and true
To burdened souls has brought release
Thro' God's great love, His pow'r and peace
In the Cross of Christ, His only Son.

Concordia, we sing to thee,
College of Christ our Lord;
We stand as one beneath the Word,
And will not rest till all have heard
That Christ, the promised Lord, has come.

Arise and build, Concordia!
God speed thee to thy task,
To lift the Cross into the sky,
That all may live and need not die;
O Lord, help us thy love to share.

The Concordia Hymn was composed by Professor Gordon Hafso.
The words were adapted by Professor Hafso with the permission
of Marge Wold, who provided the lyrics.



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THE PARTICIPANTS

MARSHALS

Dr. Sheri A. Dalton
Prof. Wayne J.H. Stuhlmiller
Dr. Richard A. Willie

CRUCIFER

Fraser Coltman

PLATFORM PARTY

Dr. Sheri A. Dalton
Associate Professor of Biology
Dr. Catherine I. Eddy
Dean of Academic Affairs (Acting)
Dr. Dianne K. Kieren
Associate Vice-President (Academic)
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Secretary, Board of Regents
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Dr. Judith C. Meier
Vice-President for Academic Services
Dr. Orville C. Walz
President
Dr. Richard A. Willie
Associate Professor of History

CHRISTO ET ECCLESIAE AWARD RECIPIENT

Rev. Fred C. Gabert

CONCORDIA COLLEGE CHOIR

Prof. Gordon Hafso
Director

ORGANIST

Mrs. Carlene Rudnick

BRASS

Rick Fossy
Susan Robinson