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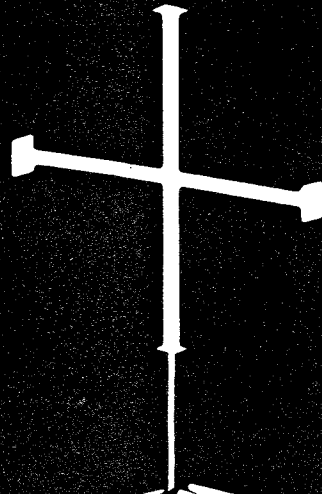
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LUTHER NORTHWESTERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
The 118th Commencement
Sunday, May 31, 1987 3:00 P.M.
Central Lutheran Church • Minneapolis, Minnesota

ORDER OF SERVICE

THE PRELUDE

Luther Brass
and
Charles A. Parsons
Music Director and Organist
Central Lutheran Church

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN: #170 Crown Him With Many Crowns
(The congregation shall rise when the procession enters the sanctuary.)

Crown him with many crowns,
The Lamb upon his throne;
Hark, how the heav'nly anthem drowns
All music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing
Of him who died for thee,
And hail him as thy matchless king
Through all eternity.

Crown him the virgin's Son,
The God incarnate born,
Whose arm those crimson trophies won
Which now his brow adorn;
Fruit of the mystic rose,
Yet of that rose the stem,
The root whence mercy ever flows,
The babe of Bethlehem.

Crown him the Lord of love
Behold his hands and side,
Rich wounds, yet visible above,
In beauty glorified.
No angels in the sky
Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bend their burning eyes
At mysteries so bright.

Crown him the Lord of life,
Who triumphed o'er the grave
And rose victorious in the strife
For those he came to save.
His glories now we sing,
Who died and rose on high,
Who died, eternal life to bring,
And lives that death may die.

Crown him the Lord of peace,
Whose pow'r a scepter sways
From pole to pole, that wars may cease,
Absorbed in prayer and praise.
His reign shall know no end,
And round his pierced feet
Fair flow'rs of paradise extend
Their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown him the Lord of years,
The potentate of time,
Creator of the rolling spheres,
Ineffably sublime.
All hail, Redeemer, hail!
For thou hast died for me;
Thy praise and glory shall not fail
Throughout eternity.

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

Ms. Carol E. Baker
Registrar

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, king of the universe,
for in your wisdom you have formed us.
You feed the hungry and clothe the naked.
We bless you and praise your name forever.
You set free those who are bound.
We bless you and praise your name forever.
You raise up those whose courage falters.
We bless you and praise your name forever.
You provide for our every need.
Accept our grateful praises.
You have called us from all peoples.
We rejoice and bless your name forever.
You bless your people with peace.
We bless you and praise your loving grace.
Blessed are you, O Lord our God, king of the universe,
for in your wisdom you have formed us.

God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ.
Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**
**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**
He descended into hell.
On the third day he rose again.
**He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

(The congregation may be seated.)

FIRST LESSON

Acts 1:1-14

PSALM 47 (Sung antiphonally by graduating students and congregation.)

Graduates: Clap your hands, all you peoples;
shout to God with a cry of joy.

Congregation: For the Lord Most High is to be feared;
he is the great king over all the earth.

Graduates: He subdues the peoples under us,
and the nations under our feet.

Congregation: He chooses our inheritance for us,
the pride of Jacob whom he loves.

Graduates: God has gone up with a shout,
the Lord
with the sound of the ram's horn.

Congregation: Sing praises to God, sing praises;
sing praises to our king, sing praises.

Graduates: For God is king of all the earth;
sing praises with all your skill.

Congregation: God reigns over the nations;
God sits upon his holy throne.

Graduates: The nobles of the peoples
have gathered together
with the people
of the God of Abraham.

Congregation: The rulers of the earth belong to God,
and he is highly exalted.

SECOND LESSON

I Peter 4:12-17; 5:6-11

THE GOSPEL

John 17:1-11

THE HYMN: #294 My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
No merit of my own I claim,
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils his lovely
face,
I rest on his unchanging grace;
In ev'ry high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil.
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.

His oath, his covenant, his blood
Sustain me in the raging flood;
When all supports are washed away,
He then is all my hope and stay.
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.

When he shall come with trumpet
sound,
Oh, may I then in him be found,
Clothed in his righteousness alone,
Redeemed to stand before the throne!
On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand.

THE ADDRESS

Dr. Roy A. Harrisville
Professor of New Testament

THE HYMN: #551 Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

Joyful, joyful we adore thee,
God of glory, Lord of love!
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before thee,
Praising thee, their sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,
Drive the gloom of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness,
Fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee,
Earth and heav'n reflect thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around thee,
Center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
Flow'ry meadow, flashing sea,
Chanting bird, and flowing fountain
Call us to rejoice in thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving,
Ever blessing, ever blest,
Well-spring of the joy of living,
Ocean-depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our brother,
All who live in love are thine;
Teach us how to live each other,
Lift us to the joy divine!

THE SERVICE OF DEDICATION

The Rev. A. G. Fjellman, D.D.
Interim President

(The congregation shall rise.)

LEADER:

*There are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit;
there are varieties of service, but the same Lord;
there are varieties of working,
but it is the same God who inspires them all in every one.
To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for
the common good.
For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek,
between slave and free;
between male and female;
the same Lord is Lord of all
and bestows his riches upon all who call upon him.*

PEOPLE:

*We are the church—all kinds and conditions of people, but
one body of Christ and individually members of one another.*

LEADER:

*Graduating students, in the presence of God we have met here
to honor you for your perseverance, faithfulness, and
diligence in study
and to present to the Church all of you who aspire to
serve the Church of God in a variety of ministries.
When he said,
“I have come not to be served, but to serve,”
Jesus defined the meaning of ministry.
Your school sends you forth into this service
with its love and blessing,
and prays that you may be adequate to your task.*

CANDIDATES:

*With faith in the Triune God, we commit ourselves to this
ministry of service.
We pray that all our works, through God's gracious help,
may be begun, continued, and ended in Him,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

(The congregation may be seated.)

THE CONFERRING OF DEGREES

Welcome

President Fjellman

Presentation of the Class

The Rev. Terence E. Fretheim, Th.D.
Dean of Academic Affairs

Conferring of Degrees

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The Rev. Lance R. Barker, Ph.D.
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RESPONSE IN BEHALF OF THE GRADUATES

Mary Jorgensen

THE PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.**

THE BENEDICTION

THE RECESSIONAL HYMN: #543 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation!
Let all who hear Now to his temple draw near,
Joining in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning
And, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.
Have you not seen All that is needful has been
Sent by his gracious ordaining?

Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you;
Surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.
Ponder anew What the Almighty can do
If with his love he befriend you.

Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me adore him!
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the amen Sound from his people again.
Gladly forever adore him!

THE POSTLUDE

Toccata

Eugene Gigout

Graduates, their families and friends, are invited
to an informal reception in the Parish Hall
following the service.

CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES

May 31, 1987

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House Churches: Re-Imaging the Christian Community
Edina, Minnesota

MARILYN SAURE BRECKENRIDGE
Paradigms of Preaching
Minneapolis, Minnesota

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Teaching Them All Things: An Inquiry into the Role
of Parents in the Christian Education of Their
Baptized Children
Brazil

LLOYD J. MART
A Pastoral Care Approach—Aging
Roseville, Minnesota

DAVID M. MCPHEE
Psychological Development and Human Aging:
An Empirical-Descriptive Approach
St. Paul, Minnesota

CAROL SHIMMIN NORDSTROM
Clergy Couples in a Shared Call:
A Needed Ministry
Portage, Indiana

ARCHIBALD JAMES PELL
Readiness for Ministry: Training for
and Accrediting of Lay Ministries
Vancouver, British Columbia

KARL-HEINRICH FRANZ REITZE
Religious Television—Of the People,
By the People, For All People
Radisson, Saskatchewan

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Taiwan

The Church in Taiwan: A Cross-Sectional Study
in Patterns of Evangelism that Produce Growth
and Decline

MASTER OF THEOLOGY DEGREE

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Luther's Hermeneutical Principles in the Lectures
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An Historiographical Essay

GORDON LINCOLN ISAAC

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Luther's View of Death

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Samuel Sprecher: An American Lutheran Theologian

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Doing Mission in the Context
of Warimi Culture in Singida, Tanzania

CHARLES WILLIAM MAULDIN

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Extending the Effectiveness of Family Ministry Through
the Use of Family Systems Theory

SHEKUTAAMBA VÄINÖ-VÄINÖ NAMBALA

Namibia

To Remember, To Remind: A Contextual History of the
Church in Namibia, 1484-1986

*MARTIN NELUMBU

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The Torah as the Foundation of Life:
The Meaning and the Function of the Torah in the
Old Testament as Exemplified in Psalm 119

+ D. JENSEN SEYENKULO

Liberia

Jesus, the Great Ancestor: Paul's Jesus
and Ancestorhood in a West African Tribe

+ PETER NING-YEA YANG

Taiwan

Let Church be Church: Luther on Community
and Authority in the Nascent Lutheran Church

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