

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY

The Two Hundred Seventy-Third

Baccalaureate



God has shown you what is good.
What does the Lord require of you?
Only to do justice and be steadfast in love,
and to walk humbly with your God.

Micah 6:8

The Fifteenth of May
Two Thousand Twenty-One

The Order of Service

Organ Prelude

Fanfare for the Common Man

Aaron Copland (1900-1990)

Eric Plutz, University Organist

Invocation

Alison L. Boden, Dean of Religious Life and of the Chapel

Welcome

President Christopher L. Eisgruber

Bhagavad Gita 2:47-48

Seyoon Ragavan '21

Qur'ān surah 93

Lutfah Subair '21

Psalm 19:1-7

Simone Walk '21

James 1:22-27

Faith Iloka '21

Anthem

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

arr. by Mack Wilberg

Penna Rose, Director of Chapel Music

Introduction of the Speaker

President Eisgruber

Baccalaureate Address

Ruth J. Simmons, President, Prairie View A&M University

Prayers of the People

Theresa S. Thames, Associate Dean of Religious Life
and of the Chapel

Prayer for Princeton

Dean Boden

O Eternal God, the source of life and light for all peoples,
we pray you would endow this University with your grace
and wisdom:

Give inspiration and understanding to those who teach and
to those who learn;

Grant vision to its trustees and administrators;

To all who work here and to all who bear her name

give your guiding Spirit of sacrificial courage and loving
service. Amen.

Blessings

Tilmann Herchenröder '21, Secular Humanist

Shanaz Deen '21, Buddhist

Natashia Neckles '21, Latter-day Saints

Choral Response

Hineh Mah Tov

(How good and pleasant it is when men and women live
together in unity. Psalm 133.1; from *Chichester Psalms*)

Leonard Bernstein (1918-1990)

Benediction

Dean Thames

Postlude

Toccata from Symphony No. 5

Charles-Marie Widor (1844-1937)

About the Baccalaureate Service

This is an interfaith service, reflecting the diversity of religious life at Princeton University. As its name suggests, the Baccalaureate service is a celebration focused especially on the members of the senior class—those receiving bachelor's degrees. This service also honors those about to receive graduate degrees. The Baccalaureate address is one of the University's oldest traditions. Speakers at Baccalaureate are chosen for their capacity to speak on topics related to human values, broadly considered.

Princeton enjoys the presence of all of the world's major religious traditions; a single service such as Baccalaureate could never be comprehensive of them all. The students who are leading the service have been selected because of their outstanding contribution to religious life at Princeton, and hence it is their particular traditions that are represented this year.