

Concordia University, Nebraska 114th COMMENCEMENT • MAY 8, 2021



Statement of Mission

Concordia University, Nebraska is an excellent academic and Christ-centered community equipping men and women for lives of learning, service and leadership in the church and world.

Processional

Pomp and Circumstance

Edward Elgar Arranged by James Ployhar

Marshals of the Faculty Candidates for Graduation Professional/Technical Staff of the University Faculty of the University Regents of the University Recipients of Honorary Degree and Awards University Registrar Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences Dean of the College of Business Dean of the College of Education, Health and Human Sciences Campus Pastor of the University Provost of the University Commencement Speaker **President Emeritus** Interim President of the University

Invocation

The National Anthem

The Star Spangled Banner

Lyrics by Francis Scott Key Music by John Stafford Arranged by Gary Slechta

Hymn





Commencement Address

Presentation of the Candidates

Conferral of Degrees and Awarding of Diplomas

Anthem

What Wondrous Love Is This

Sending Rite (9:30 a.m.)

LSB 850

Laura Thies (9:30 a.m.) The Rev. Dr. Andrew Watkins (1 p.m.)

Setting by David von Kampen

The Rev. Russell Sommerfeld

Recognition of Honorary Degree and Awards (9:30 a.m.)

DOCTOR OF LETTERS DEGREE Pastor Tom Barber, Lincoln, Neb.

MASTER EDUCATOR AWARD Katie Bockelman CO '92 GR '16, Lincoln, Neb.

CREST OF CHRIST AWARD Lyle and Nancy Middendorf, Lincoln, Neb.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD Sen. Mark Kolterman, Seward, Neb.

OUTSTANDING TEACHING AWARD John Hink, Ph.D., Associate Professor of History

Charge to Graduates and Closing

Benediction

The Concordia Tower Song

W.E. Mueller and Theodore Beck

The audience is invited to join in singing on the repeat.



The good that on praise as far we wan-der us shone.

Recessional

Attendees, please remain seated until all of the graduates have processed out and your section is excused. Ushers will direct you out of the arena. The recessional will conclude outside in the stadium area to the south of the building.

Officiants	The Rev. Russell Som
	The Rev. Ryan Matthi
	Timothy Preuss, Ph.D
	Laura Thies, M.B.A., U
	The Rev. Andrew Wat
	Jonathon Moberly, J.I
	Lorinda Sankey, Ph.D.
	Human Sciences (
	Edwin Siffring, M.S., U
Faculty Marshals	Kristy Jurchen, Ph.D.,
	Mark Meehl, Ph.D., Pr
Deputy Marshals	Timothy Huntington,
	and Criminal Justi
	Beth Pester, Ph.D., Ass
Music	University Chamber C
	Kurt E. von Kamper
	Garret Drews, soloist
	Thomas Schulteis, pia
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nember of the Concordia University System, affiliated with The Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod.

nmerfeld, D. Litt., Interim President ias, Campus Pastor D., Provost Undergraduate Commencement Speaker tkins, Ed.D., Graduate Commencement Speaker D., Dean of the College of Business (9:30 a.m.) D., Dean of the College of Education, Health and (1 p.m.) University Registrar

., Associate Professor of Chemistry rofessor of Theology

Ph.D., Professor of Biology tice ssociate Professor of Education

Choir (9:30 a.m.), en, Ed.D., Conductor

t (1 p.m.)

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LAURA THIES '02 Undergraduate Commencement Speaker Senior Vice President of Business Development **AMN** Healthcare

Laura Thies currently works as the senior vice president of business development at Avantas. Avantas partners with hospitals throughout the United States to align recommended work-flows in combination with providing a labor management software to help hospitals achieve financial outcomes and provide excellent patient care. Thies has oversight of all business development practices, processes and people.

While she was a student at Concordia, Thies worked for the Southwestern Company during the summers, where her leadership, work intensity and business achievements began and became evident. She led more than 100 college students, teaching them sales principles to sell door-to-door. Thies was consistently one of the top salespeople for Southwestern earning the coveted Character award.

After graduating from Concordia in 2002, Thies earned an MBA with a focus on strategic management from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. In 2016, she also completed the Business and Insights program at Harvard University.

During her entire career, Thies has been recognized as a top leader, business developer and metric-driven achiever. She has worked in executive leadership roles with Fortune 100 companies such as IBM and her current parent company, AMN Healthcare. Many times, Thies was the youngest person on her team, yet she was the lead executive.

Thies credits much of her success to her intense focus and work-ethic. She is thankful for her four years at Concordia where she met her husband, Chad, made life-long friends and received an education at a university, which is focused not just on business success, but success through Christian faith and holding to her core values in the business world.

Laura and Chad live in Lincoln with their children and are members of Christ Lutheran Church in Lincoln, Nebraska,



REV. DR. ANDREW WATKINS Graduate Commencement Speaker Adjunct Professor Concordia University

Rev. Dr. Andrew Watkins was born in Springfield, Vermont. He was one of five children growing up on the family farm. There he learned the value of hard work and the benefits of teamwork. After high school, Watkins served in the U.S. Army as a Topographic Surveyor. He earned his degrees in geology from Old Dominion University in Norfolk, Virginia and then the University of Idaho in Moscow, Idaho. After teaching chemistry and earth science at E.C. Glass High School in Lynchburg, Virginia, Watkins earned his Master of Divinity from Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, Missouri. He was called to his first church in 1998. Watkins returned to college while a full-time pastor and earned his Doctor of Education degree in curriculum and instruction from the University of Phoenix in Phoenix, Arizona. His dissertation research was focused on differentiated instruction and formative assessments to improve student academic success.

Watkins has served 23 years as a called and ordained servant of the Word in The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod (LCMS). Watkins was pastor in Crestview, Florida, then Seaford, Delaware and Vestal, New York. Watkins currently serves in Cedar Rapids, Iowa at Trinity Lutheran Church and School and St. Paul Lutheran Church in Stanwood and Bennett, Iowa. As a pastor in the Southern District, Watkins served on the Board of Missions. He has served the larger church as a junior and senior counselor for the Lutheran Women's Missionary League twice (four years each). As a pastor, Watkins has facilitated ministries for people with disabilities. He was integral in starting after-school tutoring for middle school students. Watkins helped lead a respite care program for senior citizens and wrote the curriculum for the ministry. He has been the keynote speaker at many district conventions over the years.

After earning his doctorate, Watkins became an adjunct professor at Concordia University, Nebraska where he has taught the class, Serving and Leading in the Community and World, to more than 700 graduate students online. In 2019, Concordia asked Watkins to write an eight-week class titled The Teacher in a Lutheran School: Vocation. Watkins continues to collaborate with other professors to make improvements to online class instruction.

Andrew and Dawn, his wife, are blessed by serving God, His people and loving their neighbors as themselves.

College of Arts and Sciences

Bachelor of Arts Degree

Alyssa Jean Bierwagen Luke Christian Blomenberg Emily Anne Boyer Sonja Marie Brandt Martha A Brauning Janis Marie Wagner Buelow Adrian E Cotton Gabriel E. Crawford Brianna Lynn Dehn Cameron J Devers Shanda Grace Fujan Jacob Thomas Garrison Ansley Christine Gates Nathalie Sophia Guerra Esqui	Sioux Falls, S.D. Norfolk, Neb. Mullen, Neb. Knob Noster, Mo. Lincoln, Neb. Indianapolis, Ind. Gretna, Neb. Virginia Beach, Va. Saint Louis, Mo. Holly Springs, N.C. Wayne, Neb. Malcolm, Neb. Lincoln, Neb.	Mary Gene Kohnke Haase Angel Savannah Hadachek Stephanie Elizabeth Hilchen Gabriel Asaf Jofre Christopher Lewis Kasparek Kyra K Kennedy Makayla Ann Kosberg Charlotte Faith Lines Garrett U Menze Kailey Diane Marie Nickels Jorge Morales Ochoa Matthew Joe Petracek Allison Faith Pinkall Benjamin Michael Rakoski	Sterling, Colo.	Hayden Kristin Resner Anabelle A. Reyes Justin Paul Reynolds Jacob Y Schielke Patrick Kelly Schneeberger Joshua Lee Sherman Kara Leigh Stark Drew Roderick Ward Hannah Kristine Marie Watt Autumn Marie Wildfeuer Cody Jay Williams Dane E Wolfgram	Effingham, III. Glendora, Calif. Riverside, Calif. Decatur, Texas Raymore, Mo. Seward, Neb. Magnolia, Texas Houston, Texas Grand Marais, Minn. Ormsby, Minn. Imperial, Neb. Bismarck, N.D.
Bachelor of Fine	Arts Degree				
Sonja Marie Brandt	Knob Noster, Mo.	Sarah Marie Johnson	Waconia, Minn.	Samuel James Sisco	David City, Neb.
Bachelor of Musi	ic Degree				
Sarah Marie Benz Amy Lauren Guenther Aaron Christopher Huesmanr	Campbellsport, Wis. Lincoln, Neb. Pensacola, Fla.	Aaron Nathaniel Jackson Thomas Kyung Johnson Megan Lee Kroeker	Palestine, Texas Omaha, Neb. Henderson, Neb.	Charlotte Faith Lines Alexandra Naomi Ryks	Marshall, Mo. Bellevue, Neb.
Bachelor of Scie	nce Degree				
Elizabeth Emma Bergdolt Dalton Reid Berry Luke Christian Blomenberg Lane R Castaneda Victoria M Cera Blake Christopher Culbert Monica Rose Dale Allison Jo Echtenkamp Sarah Alice Heck Marissa Jane Hoerman	Grand Island, Neb. Seward, Neb. Norfolk, Neb. San Antonio, Texas Las Vegas, Nev. Garden Grove, Calif. Burlington, Wis. Wayne, Neb. Coon Rapids, Iowa Evergreen, Colo.	Payton W Kidder Ryan M Kollbaum Abigail R Lyons Claudia Mayela Miranda Viera Jackson Lamont Myers Dylan J Paap John R Palmer Rightly Garrett Perry Andrea N Peterson	Holdrege, Neb. Madison, Neb. Dwight, Neb. Torrejón De Ardoz, Spain Highlands Ranch, Colo. Dunbar, Neb. Offerle, Kan. Corona, Calif. Rochester, Minn.	Katelyn Suzanne Ryman Cyrus Allen Scott Kaitlin Grace Seja Braden John Sindt Elizabeth Gael Stottlemyre Brittan D Taylor Emily Marie Thies Rebecca Louise Tierney Octavio X Velazquez Kyle Douglas Wilshusen	Gretna, Neb. Rochester, Minn. Loveland, Colo. Scottsbluff, Neb. Olympia, Wash. Seward, Neb. Saint Louis, Mo. Charles City, Iowa Round Lake Beach, III. Omaha, Neb.

College of Business

Bachelor of Arts Degree

Hope Christian Bassett	Lincoln, Neb.	Alyssa Marie Fye
Hannah Nicole Beethe	Exeter, Neb.	Anna C Gombold
Cayden David Beran	Hutto, Texas	Andrew Z Haase
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Malia J Ebel	Billings, Mont.	Katherine Lynn Mil
Wvatt S Eriksen	Grand Island, Neb.	Carter S Morgan

Bachelor of Arts	•				
Samuel Alexander Kofi Adjei	San Diego, Calif.	Blake Ryan Greckel	Scottsbluff, Neb.	Oscar Ramirez-Garcia	San Diego, Cali
Nathan Glen Buckallew	Urbandale, Iowa	Harrison J Helmer	Seward, Neb.	Alan Jack Sharp	Lincoln, Neb
Jonathan D Deardoff	Bennington, Neb.	Samantha May Howard	Gresham, Ore.	Jason MC Watkins	Palmer, Alaska
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Jeremiah D Berryman	Broken Arrow, Okla.	Hhana D Haro	Garden Grove, Calif.	Henry Ethan Reimer	Sussex, Wis
Chelsea Ann Bright	Van Meter, Iowa	Kyler M Hensel	Denver, Colo.	Cora Elizabeth Rhode	Fort Morgan, Colc
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Daniel Adam Cahoon	Seward, Neb.	McKenna C Kaskie	Grand Island, Neb.	Peyton Robert Scott	Clear Lake, Iowa
Zachary Ward Christensen	Hastings, Neb.	Nicholas David Little	Seward, Neb.	Kaiston Nathaniel Terry	Lubbock, Texas
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Gabrielle Ann Diamond	Bennington, Neb.	Allison F Marshall	Woodbury, Minn.	Christian Reese Van Cleave	Arvada, Colo
Ethan Edward Doyle	Shawnee, Kan.	Zachariah T Metzger	Overland Park, Kan.	João Pedro Ioris Veríssimo	Nova Mutum, Brazi
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Wyatt S Eriksen	Grand Island, Neb.	Carter S Morgan	Charlotte, N.C.	Sarah Andrea Wuthrich	Encinitas, Cali
Master of Busine	ess Administra	ation Degree			
Jill D. Ahrens	Seward. Neb.	Rachel E. Feix	Oklahoma City, Okla.	Erin Lokke	St. Francis. N.Y
Jade Tiara Banks	Atlanta, Ga.	Connor James Ganyo	Omaha, Neb.	Rachel Alyssa Losch	Independence, Mo
Andrea Borray Ortiz	Bogotá, Colombia	Claudia Garcia Gomez	Barcelona, Spain	Brenda Nabasumba	Houston, Texas
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Lindsey Anne Carley	Urbandale, Iowa	Sarah Griffin Gray	Mooresville, N.C.	Dustin Michael Shimkus	Collinsville, III
Theresa Marie Chow	Richland, Wash.	Thomas Gerhardus Greeff		Cody Johnathon Williams	St. Charles, Mo
Luis Roberto Del Valle	San Antonio, Texas	Jacob M. Jennings	Shawnee, Kan.		
Terrence John Egan	Myrtle Beach, S.C.	Heidi Kay Knedler	Alma, Neb.		
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Master of Health		Andrea Powell	Rock Hill, S.C.	Aydet Thompson	Omaha, Nel
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	Chesterfield, Mich. Minneapolis, Minn.	Jeannie Marie Schleip Shanice Michelle Stewart	Bellevue, Neb.	Milialiua K. Woupka	Valparaisu, ivei

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Master of Science Degree

Korrissa Leann Aguilar	San Jose, Calif.	Grady Joseph Koch
Liza Marie Alicea-Burgos	Chicago, III.	Michael L. Mercado
Brian A. Fowkes	Arvada, Colo.	Molli Melissa Neal Mor

CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATION

Morgan

Doniphan, Neb. Victorville, Calif. Paola, Kan.

Tyson James Robert Powers Tencie H. Tonniges

Amboy, III. Wahoo, Neb.

College of Education, Health and Human Sciences

Bachelor of Arts Degree

Anna M Baack	Seward, Neb.	Charles J Hewell	Sacramento, Calif.	Michael S Leapley	New Berlin, Wis
Mackenzie Marie Beavers	Overton, Neb.	Alyssa G Hoeft	Garland, Neb.	Matthew Jon Murphy	Elbert, Colo
Hannah E Birtell	Holdrege, Neb.	Kaci J Hohenthaner	Council Bluffs, Iowa	Timothy Louis Oberdieck	Lanesville, Ind
Drew A Boggs	Tilden, Neb.	Madison Carin Holt	Elk Grove, Calif.	Morgan Elizabeth Pralle	Lincoln, Neb
Tara L Callahan	Brady, Neb.	Christopher M James	Topeka, Kan.	Jeremiah Michael Reeser	Grand Island, Neb
Rachel Lynn Deppe	Ankeny, Iowa	Jenessa Victoria Jarvis	Vail, Ariz.	Adrianna K Shaw	Bassett, Neb
Ryan P Durdon	Decatur, Texas	Erin Kay Johnson	Daykin, Neb.	Allison Ann Taylor	Oklahoma City, Okla
Trevor Robert Fiala	High Ridge, Mo.	Sara Marie Kettelhake	Tecumseh, Neb.	Allysia Rose Thayer	Rialto, Cali
Tayler Dawn Gipe	Oakland, Neb.	Kaytlyn Elise Marie Kindschy	Lompoc, Calif.	Aaron L Tidyman	Stromsburg, Neb
Malena Rose Goldenstein	Kenesaw, Neb.	Kendra Rae Kluck	Watertown, S.D.	Christian A Watters	Panama, Neb
Ryan Matthew Groh	Seward, Neb.	Cody Willis Lambert	Greenwood, Neb.	Hannah Katherine Wiedebus	h Mansfield, S.D
Bachelor of Scie	ence Degree				
Cole Jacob Baumgartner	San Antonio, Texas	Margaret Grace Durbin	Omaha, Neb.	Kaitlyn Jean Radebaugh	Roca, Neb
Ashley Jane Brooks	Spanaway, Wash.	Jodi K Fry	Ewing, Neb.	Caleb Kenneth Roberts	Wamego, Kar
Jennika Renai Chapman	Westminster, Colo.	Samantha Jo Lyon	Wood River, Neb.	Ryan J Samuelson	Omaha, Nel

Ashley Jane Brooks	Spanaway, Wash.	Jodi K Fry	Ewing, Neb.	Caleb Kenneth Roberts	Wamego, Kan.
Jennika Renai Chapman	Westminster, Colo.	Samantha Jo Lyon	Wood River, Neb.	Ryan J Samuelson	Omaha, Neb.
Sydney Brianne Clark	Clive, Iowa	Mia Marjorie Claire Martin	Brisbane, Australia	Ethan Cole Sherman	Lincoln, Neb.
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Trevor Michael Dey	Gresham, Neb.	Christina Annaliese Merrill	Lincoln, Neb.	Brynn N Suddeth	Wichita, Kan.
Lukas Kieth Diehm	Las Vegas, Nev.	Bailee Anne Muxlow-Volk S	Surrey, British Columbia,	Faith Katherine Troshynski	Rockwell City, Iowa
Beau A Dorman	Scottsdale, Ariz.		Canada	Nicholas M Zadar	Boise, Idaho

Bachelor of Science in Education Degree

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Eva Marie Hahn Aiello	Imperial, Mo.	Kirsten Elizabeth Hall	Livermore, Calif.	Clara Alana Nebel	Red Bud, III.
Grace Johanna Barry	Lincoln, Neb.	Jacob H Harding	Marine, III.	Kianna N Ogilvie	Colorado Springs, Colo.
Brooke Lynn Baugh	Friend, Neb.	Daria Lea Heuer	Hanover, Kan.	Miranda Kathryn Otte	Raymond, Neb.
Julia Marie Bloom	Lincoln, Neb.	Cody Lane Hofrock	Sidney, Neb.	Kenneth E Paetow	Saint Louis, Mo.
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Natasha Denae Bonine	Haven, Kan.	Breann M Huber	Arvada, Colo.	Hayley Lynn Platt	Seward, Neb.
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Jeremy M Brey	Watertown, S.D.	Abigail Hope Jeppesen	Pleasant Dale, Neb.	Michelle JoAnn Porath	Lexington, Neb.
Ross Robert Briggs	Seward, Neb.	Erin Sue Johnson	Brighton, Colo.	Jacob Christian Pralle	Lincoln, Neb.
Linnea F Buchholz	Saint Paul, Minn.	Sarah Marie Johnson	Waconia, Minn.	Micah James Ramage	Pasadena, Texas
Claire Elizabeth Busby	Effingham, III.	Emily Ann Jones	Benkelman, Neb.	Rebeca Anita Rerucha	Bruno, Neb.
Jonathan Thomas Chapa	Buffalo, Minn.	Christopher Lewis Kasparek T	The Woodlands, Texas	Katelyn Suzanne Ryman	Gretna, Neb.
Lauren Elizabeth Chumbley	/ Terrell, Texas	Elizabeth Ann Kelley	Holdrege, Neb.	Emily Rose Sanders	Lenexa, Kan.
Lydia Monteen Cook	Perryville, Mo.	Allison Marie Klipp	Tobias, Neb.	Bethany Grace Schilling	Littleton, Colo.
Abigail Jordan Crouch	Lincoln, Neb.	Jessica Anna Knedler Co	lorado Springs, Colo.	Amelia A Schlichting	Lyons, Neb.
Nicole Yvonne Daum	Colorado Springs, Colo.	Makayla Ann Kosberg	Spring Hill, Kan.	Alan Jack Sharp	Lincoln, Neb.
Jeremy Randall Doose	Grand Island, Neb.	Benjamin R Kuefner	Lexington, Neb.	Rachel Grace Smithley	Seward, Neb.
Samantha Jean Ellis	York, Neb.	Michael S Leapley	New Berlin, Wis.	Caden M Springer	Wichita, Kan.
Callie Kay Firminhac	Torrington, Wyo.	Jordan James Lorenz	Gretna, Neb.	Shaeli Marie Streeks	Seward, Neb.
Caleb D Fischer	Jefferson City, Mo.	Emily J Loy	Wood River, Neb.	Michaela Jean Twito	Ames, Iowa
Emily Ann Fluegge	Johnston, Iowa	Jordan Kay Metzger	Grand Island, Neb.	Trenton T Williams	Douglas, Wyo.
Riley Patrick Freeland	Blair, Neb.	Kennedy A Mogul	York, Neb.	Katie Adelia Wrege	Georgetown, Texas

Master of Arts

Austin Jackson Lahmon	Lincoln, Neb.	Jeremy J. Peter	O'Neill, Neb.	
Master of Educa	tion Degree			
William Kenneth Abbott	Minneapolis, Minn.	Tiffany Marie Ahrens	Forest City, Iowa	Jessica Darlene Kuharik-Alva
Sarah Katherine Abee	Spartanburg, S.C.	Tatiana Marie Alba Machado	Miami, Fla.	Brenda Alvarado
Seham A. Abufarsakh	Baton Rouge, La.	Erica N Alexander Jones	Washington, DC	Jacqueline V. Alvarado
Jean E. Ackerman	Omaha, Neb.	Rachel R Alexander	Saginaw, Mich.	Shannon Marie Alvarez
Jessica Acosta	Hialeah, Fla.	Alya Alfaouri	Paterson, N.J.	Taylor C. Amberg

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Ashlei A. Alston

Kori Alston

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Savage, Minn.

Jamaica, N.Y.

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Lisa-lee L. Anderson

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LaTova Marie Bailev

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Jalissa Kay Bankston

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Jordan Sumi Barkley

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Aaron Paul Bashline

Yosminda Bassett

Elizabeth Bautista

Sonya Renee' Bean

Shanreka Lindsey Bell

Kristen Nicole Bennett

Brenda Ann Benson

Sheri LaRae Berard

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Marcus Hans Berg

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HIGHLIGHTS 2020-21

Concordia University, Nebraska was blessed with many successes this year. The following list includes some of the many accomplishments achieved by our students, faculty and staff.

Student Highlights

BUS 422 Auditing class students raised \$4,250 for their bi-annual class grant. The grant is awarded every two years to an LCMS Nebraska District elementary, middle, or high school based on the merits of applications received. The class selected a winner from twelve applicants. This year's winner was Lincoln Lutheran, which will use the grant to make significant upgrades to its business department education and technology resources. An event was held on November 19th to commemorate the occasion and celebrate with the grant recipient.

BUS 422 Auditing class students conducted a Benchmark Ratio Analysis: A Learning Project for Not-For-Profit Auditing during the fall semester. Their work culminated in a paper titled, "Closure of Concordia Portland Further Analyzed." The paper was submitted to The Sower and included quotes and research from Jacob Glines, Morgan James, Jack Kitson, Nicholas Little, Thomas Otte, Cally Rogers, Carter Thorman and Amos Utech.

David Carrasco was accepted into the Master of Science program at University of San Francisco in Environmental Management and Ecology in the Geospatial Analysis Lab, obtaining a GIS certificate.

EDUC 330 early childhood students created videos to demonstrate dramatic play spaces that could be set up at home using materials found at home. These playful dramatic play experiences supported social and emotional development, science, social studies, and math exploration and literacy development. These tips were shared with alumni and current educators through the Concordia website, Concordia Education Facebook page and Dr. O Wants to Know Facebook page.

EDUC 430 families, schools and communities students created a series of parenting tips by sending home a Message in a Backpack. The topics include Worshipping with your Child, Discipline and Guidance, Learning at Home and Outdoor Play and have been developed for families of children ages birth through eight.

EDUC 452 early childhood program administration students planned week long activities to celebrate the Week of the Young Child. Their posters were shared with the Nebraska Association of the Education of Young Children, alumni and current educators through the Concordia Nebraska Education Facebook page and Dr. O Wants to Know Facebook page.

In the fall of 2020, the A Cappella Choir released three videos on social media that in total received over half a million views and thousands of shares. Concordia's choir was one of the first college choirs nationwide to release videos during the pandemic with singers masked and social distanced. Many commented that they were happy to see that music could be performed safely.

Anna Headlee was accepted into the master's program in Urban, Community, and Regional Planning at University of Nebraska-Lincoln. She currently serves as an intern in the State of Nebraska Office of Rural Health.

Aaron Jackson, a church music student, is building a new organ for Mighty Fortress Lutheran Church

Thomas Johnson, senior music education and music composition student won the Richard Hillert Award in Student Composition from the Center for Church Music at Concordia University Chicago. Nathan Patron, biology major, was accepted to Optometry School at the Oklahoma College of Optometry at Northeastern State University in Tahlequah, Oklahoma.

Ann Spilker was accepted into the Master of Applied Science program at the School of Natural Resources University of Nebraska-Lincoln program in Environmental Education.

Kassidy Grosserode, a senior from Neligh, Nebraska, earning a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in Studio Art and a Bachelor of Science degree in K-12 Art Education, had her work this past spring accepted to the juried exhibition "Size Matters," hosted by the Fayetteville Cumberland County Arts Council in North Carolina. Her photography was also represented in the Colorado Photographic Art Center show titled, "Who are you?" held in Denver, Colorado. In Spring 2020, she received the Leo Sieck Endowment and the Marxhausen Endowment from the Department of Art. In Fall 2020, she was granted a CASA internship, and in Spring 2021, became a CASA volunteer in addition to being granted a Bemis internship.

Emily Boyer was accepted to nursing program at Bryan College of Health Sciences in Lincoln, Nebraska, where she will attend in the fall.

Nathan Pennington, a sophomore majoring in church music, recently won first place in the Student Organ Composition Competition organized by the Lincoln Chapter of the American Guild of Organists.

Aaron Jackson and Charlotte Lines were elected in membership of Pi Kappa Lambda, the national music honor society.

Lauren Ada (2024) was chosen for a competitive internship with Kansas Wildlife Rehabilitation.

Sonja Brandt, Martha Brauning, Andrea Peterson, Abby Lyons, and Kyle Wilshusen have all assisted Dr. Jennifer Fruend, associate professor of biology, in numerous Raptor Rehabilitation releases this year including multiple great horned owls, multiple merlins, red tail hawks, and a rare saw-whet owl.

Martha Brauning, a senior environmental science and biology major, was accepted to a research assistantship at the University of Nebraska-Kearney with Paul Burger to complete her master of science in biology and work on GIS research regarding rural mobile healthcare.

Abby Lyons (2021) accepted a research assistantship to pursue her master's degree in biology at the University of Central Missouri. She will start her fully funded research right after graduation on the threatened Harbison's dun skipper conservation plan in Southern California.

Emily Thies (2021) was accepted to and will attend The Physician Assistant Program at the Southern Illinois University School of Medicine in Carbondale, Illinois.

Grace Barry, Maggie Cleveland, Monica Dale, Jesse Garcia, Chase Hammons, Erica Heinzerling, Jenessa Jarvis, Grant Lammers, Ryan Moormeier, Jacob Schielke, Jetta Tegeler and Dresden Wilson were inducted in to Alpha Phi Sigma, the only national criminal justice honor society during the Spring 2021 semester.

Marlee Hubach, Ruth Moon, Grace O'Neal, Kenny Paetow, and Ben Toenjes worked with Dr. Vicki Anderson with English learners in Montreal through Ascension Lutheran Church (connected with LCMS Office of Short-Term Missions).

Mackenzie Ferrel, Nicholle Harstad, Tannor Tobler, Michela Tongish, and Theresa Tvrdy worked with Dr. Anderson with English learners in Parrita, Costa Rica as part of the Lighthouse Parrita Ministry (headed by alums Ethan and Amanda Hutton and Zachary Barz, under the auspices of Mission of Christ Network).

Adrianna Shaw was selected to serve with English-teaching organization ELIC in North Africa for 2021-22.

Business students participated in the annual Collegiate Leadership Competition (CLC) on April 10 against 33 teams from 25 universities. The team of Henry Reimer, Kalina Schoenfeld, Hayley Steinbauer, Mady Payne, Sydni Kroll and João Pedro Veríssimo finished fourth. The team of Michaela Regier, Gabrielle Diamond, Cally Rogers, Jeana Brase, Max Johnston, Ashley Gerczysnki and alternate Jonah Lange finished 11th. The team of Brandon Timoney. Hope Bassett, Morgan De Jong, Zac Christensen, Hhana Haro, Allysia Thayer and alternate Morgan James finished 13th. The CLC, a nonprofit founded in 2015, creates a digital practice field where students can actively apply what they learn via CLC's global virtual competition. CLC makes leadership a tangible, high-impact learning experience for future leaders.

Chelsea Bright and Kalina Schoenfeld were awarded the "Servant Leader" award for 2020-2021 by the Concordia Business Club. Chelsea served as the Business Club President, and Kalina served as the Manager of 10:31. They also helped lead and organize the Third annual Business Student BBQ.

On April 11, the Health and Human Performance department initiated Rachel Battershell, Zachary Bennetts, Sydney Clark, Hannah Fitzsimmons, Jordyn Hilyard, Gabrielle Luehr, Erin Mapson, Mikeila Martinez, and Kailey Weichel into the Health and Human Performance honorary, Phi Epsilon Kappa. Returning members included: Jennika Chapman, Taylor Cockerill, Rebecca Higgins, Tucker Platt, Hayley Platt, and Kaitlyn Radebaugh. The Scholastic Achievement Award went to members who are senior standing with a minimum of 3.75 GPA: Rachel Battershell, Jordyn Hilyard, Gabrielle Luehr, Taylor Cockerill, Rebecca Higgins, Tucker Platt and Hayley Platt. In addition, Kaitlyn Radebaugh received the Dr. Jeffery Vessely Memorial Scholarship Award.

Jacob Garrison qualified to the American Forensics Association National Speech Tournament all four years for the Concordia Speech Team.

Malia Ebel broke to final rounds in all four of her events (Impromptu, Extemporaneous, Informative and After Dinner Speaking) at this year's 2021 Nebraska Intercollegiate Forensics State Tournament.

Hayley Denner, a junior art education major from Diller, Neb., participated in the CIVA Student Virtual Exhibition 2021.

Sarah Armbrust, a junior B.F.A. studio art major from St. Louis, Mo., created a series of 16 gothic-style drawings for a Christian allegory book.

Chase Berry, a sophomore studio art major from Seward, Neb., is a two-time All-American pole vaulter who placed sixth at the 2021 NAIA Indoor National Meet.

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Sonja Brandt, a senior studio art and biology major from Knob Noster, Mo., had her artwork and photographer published in the literary journal Potpourri. In 2019, she completed an internship with the Missouri Department of Conservation, where she collaborated with biologists to create illustrations for a bat conservation conference. Her work has also been published in the Nebraska Bird Review, and in 2019 she earned runner up in the Missouri State Parks Photo Contest.

Hannah Mulligan, a junior art education major from Hastings, Neb., participated in an art exhibit at a bed and breakfast in York in October 2020. In September 2020, she served as an art class instructor at Concordia. She participated in Art in the Park in Hastings in August 2020, in March 2020 she participated in an art show at Neutral Grounds in Seward and hosted an artist event in February 2020. As a track athlete, she earned GPAC All-Conference honors in the 60-meter dash 2019-21.

Sam Sisco, a senior graphic design major from David City, Neb., earned the 2020 Lillich Graphic Design Award from the Department of Art.

Elisa Kurth, a junior graphic design major from Stromsburg, Neb., is working as a student designer for Concordia's marketing and communications department. She is also working on two commissions for McLean Beef in York, opening in June. In the summer of 2020, she completed an internship with Enlightened Youth Corps, a Florida-based nonprofit that works to help youth with their mental health, where she illustrated and designed social media posts for the organization's Instagram.

Patrick Schneeberger, a senior graphic design major from Raymore, Mo., has been working as an intern at Sports Express in Seward.

Samantha Howard is graduating as an honors student, an academic journey she began at Concordia University, Portland.

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Jennika R. Chapman (Major: Exercise Science; Minors: Biology, Chemistry and Psychology) has been accepted into the Doctor of Physical Therapy Program at Regis University in Denver, CO.

Margaret G. Durbin (Major: Exercise Science; Minors: Biology, Chemistry and Psychology) has been accepted into the Cardiovascular Science Program at Midwestern University in Glendale, AZ.

Kyle Wilshusen (2021) was chosen previously for internships with the Aquarium Birds department at the Henry Doorly Zoo and with large cats like lions and tigers at Tiger Creek Animal Sanctuary in Tyler, TX.

Samantha (Luehr) Lyon (Major: Exercise Science; Minors: Biology, Psychology) has been accepted into an accelerated undergraduate program at the University of Nebraska-Kearney, Kearney, NE where she will continue to pursue a Master of Science in Education degree in Speech-Language Pathology.

Tristin I. Mason (Major: Exercise Science; Minors: Biology, Psychology) has been accepted into the Doctor of Occupational Therapy Program at the University of Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha, NE.

Faculty and Staff Highlights

Dr. Lisa Ashby, professor of English, served as the co-lead of the Mass Care Unit of the State of Nebraska Emergency Operations Center, which oversees food, water, and shelter for state emergencies. In this role, she co-led the Nebraska Food Security Task Force and worked closely with the CEOs of Food Bank for the Heartland, Food Bank of Lincoln, the Center for People in Need and the Nebraska National Guard in ensuring emergency food supplies were provided without shortfalls or interruption in the state. She also served on the Nebraska Homeless System Response Team for COVID-19, which monitored safety plans and implementation statewide.

Dr. Lisa Ashby was a presenter at the Great Plains Disaster Behavioral Health Virtual Conference in July 2020, speaking on the role of behavioral health, spiritual care, and voluntary organizations in long-term flood recovery. The DBH Conference is sponsored by the University of Nebraska Public Policy Center.

Dr. Elizabeth Grimpo, professor of music, published two piano settings (beginner and intermediate level) of Matins and Divine Service 3, and 10 hymns for piano – each with four graded settings from beginner w/teacher duet to late intermediate for the St. Paul's Conservatory in Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Dr. Elizabeth Grimpo composed a piano hymn prelude on the hymn "Lobt Gott den Herren, ihr" for the Concordia Publishing House Piano prelude collection.

Devin Smith, director of athletics, was named NAIA Athletic Director of the Year for 2020-21 by the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics.

Dr. Jerrald Pfabe, archivist and professor emeritus, had two articles recently accepted to publication in Nebraska History. Divorce in Seward County 1869-1906 and 1919-1948: A Comparative Study, will be published in the Winter 2021 issue; and Crime in Seward County 1869-1908 and 1919-1948 will be published in the Spring 2022 issue.

James Bockelman, professor of art, was one of several artists in Nebraska invited to talk about his studio and work practice in response to the pandemic and closure of museums throughout the nation as part of the Museum of Nebraska Art's online series "Curated Conversations."

James Bockelman had one of his drawings titled, Fortified: from the Mapped Black Series, selected for the cover of a new book authored by Catherine Keller, "Facing Apocalypse: Climate, Democracy, and Other Last Chances" to be published by Orbis Books this spring.

James Bockelman's painting Medievalist was selected for the Bemis Center for Contemporary Art 2020 auction held in Omaha, Nebraska.

James Bockelman had drawings published in a catalogue titled, "The Touch of Density" as part of the exhibition series "The Body of Drawing."

Dr. Kurt von Kampen, professor of music and music department chair, was asked to lead a choral clinic at Concordia Lutheran High School in Tomball Texas in March. The choirs at Concordia Tomball have consistently received superior ratings in the state of Texas, under the direction of Michael Palomaki, a 2011 Concordia graduate.

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Dr. Kurt von Kampen, Dr. Jeffrey Blersch, professor of music, Dr. Elizabeth Grimpo, professor of music, Debbie Brutlag, music administrative assistant and Charlotte Lines '21, served on the building design committee for the new music building. Even during the pandemic, the planning moved forward via countless zoom meetings.

Dr. Kristen Nugent advanced in rank from assistant professor of education to associate professor of education during the 2020-21 academic year.

Dr. Kevin Miller, adjunct professor of education, gave a presentation at the 2021 Council for Exceptional Children Convention. He also served as a peer reviewer for the Fulbright U.S. Scholar Peer Review Committee.

Rebekah Freed, director of student development, participated in 2019 as a member of the Buffalo Philharmonic Chorus, that was awarded a Grammy on March 14, 2021 for Best Choral Performance for "The Passion of Yeshua," composed by Richard Danielpour.

Dr. Annette Anschutz, associate professor of education and early childhood education program director, presented a virtual session of Faith-Based Art in Early Childhood to Early Childhood Directors in the Pacific Southwest District, LCMS in February 2021, to District Early Childhood Consultants at the Lutheran School Administrators Conference in March 2021, and to Nebraska District LCMS early childhood educators in April 2021.

Dr. Annette Anschutz presented a recorded virtual session "Image of the Child" for the Florida District Early Childhood Conference in September 2020 and Eastern District All Workers Conference in October 2020.

Dr. Annette Anschutz assumed program director responsibility for the Concordia University, Nebraska Graduate Early Childhood Special Education Program in Summer 2020.

Dr. Annette Anschutz and Prof. Cheryl Haun, adjunct graduate professor of education, presented a joint virtual session, Play: It's Place in Prek-2nd Grade Best Practices, to District Early Childhood Consultants and Education Executives at the Lutheran School Administrators Conference in March 2021.

Dr. Jeffrey Blersch, professor of music, published two new collections of hymn tune settings for organ with Concordia Publishing House: A Thousand Voices, volume 5, and Firm Foundation: Organ settings of shape-note hymn tunes. His setting of "Isaiah, Mighty Seer" was included in CPH's Piano Hymn Tune Prelude Series. Two of his hymn tunes ("Water, Blood, and Spirit Crying" and "Though All Our Life Is But A Scroll") were selected to be included in Christian Worship, the new hymnal of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod which will be released Advent 2021. He was also commissioned by the WELS to compose settings of 16 hymns for their new hymnal project and a hymn concertato on "Delay Not, Delay Not" which was published by Northwestern Publishing House. Blersch's four-movement setting of the Magnificat for chorus, piano, and strings was video recorded by Concordia's Cantamus Women's Choir and released during Advent 2020.

Dr. Jeffrey Blersch had four new books and pieces released by Concordia Publishing House in May 2020: "Triumphant Gladness: Five Organ Preludes on Easter Hymns," "Introductions, Harmonizations, Accompaniments, Interpretations, volume 9," "O Savior of Our Fallen Race" and "Welcome (SATB, keyboard)." In

addition, he was commissioned to compose choral and organ settings of "What Hope, An Eden Prophesied" to be included in the "Advent

2020 Preaching Resources," setting of "May God Bestow on Us His Grace" for "Proclaim: Organ Settings of Hymns of the Day" and settings of "How Majestic Is Your Name" and "Isajah. Mighty Seer" for the "Piano Hymn Prelude Library." Finally, four of his tunes were included in the new hymnal "One and All Rejoice," released in June: "Ride On, Ride On in Majesty," "O Triune God, What Love You Show," "Though All Our Life is Like A Scroll" and "A Blessed Feast."

Dr. Vicki Anderson and Dr. Amanda Geidel served as judges in the lesson planning and presentation competition held by the Nebraska chapter of Educator's Rising in March, evaluating and interviewing current high school students who aim to become teachers.

Dr. Amanda Geidel presented on the Basics in Behavior Intervention at the teacher's training held at the Hillcrest Evangelical Free Church in Seward, NE on February 27.

Dr. Beth Pester, associate professor of education, presented for the Missouri District Lutheran Family Life Ministry Conference. Pester presented on Young Adolescent Development. The conference was held virtually this year.

Dr. Beth Pester presented for the Missouri District Lutheran Teachers Conference. Pester presented on Young Adolescent Development, and on the importance of Emotional Intelligence. The conference was held virtually this year.

Dr. Beth Pester served on the accreditation and evaluation teams for Lutheran High School Northeast in Norfolk, Nebraska and Parkview Christian School in Lincoln, Nebraska. Accreditation teams are responsible for reviewing and evaluating a school's short-term and long-term improvement goals, providing feedback for school improvement, and recommending schools for accreditation approval.

Dr. Erica Lamm, associate professor of communication, presented on a panel about teaching listening at the National Communication Association's virtual convention in November. 2020.

Dr. Erica Lamm was named to the editorial board of the International Journal of Listening.

Dr. Gabriel Haley, associate professor of English, completed an article. "Petrarch's Secularized Contemplation." and had it accepted for publication in a forthcoming issue of Essays in Medieval Studies.

Dr. Gabriel Haley was invited to be a speaker at a capital campaign kickoff banquet for Concordia Academy in Wichita, Kansas, in April 2021.

Dr. Keith Kerschen, assistant professor of education, co-authored the article, "The Examination of a Vignette Activity Sequence in a Secondary Mathematics Course" which was published in the journal, School Science and Mathematics Journal in January 2021.

Dr. Keith Kerschen served as an English conversation partner with a Romanian pastor through the LCMS Short Term Mission Office from September 2020 to October 2020.

Dr. Keith Kerschen was lead author on conference proceedings accepted into publication for the School Science and Mathematics

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Association (SSMA) Conventional Proceedings on October 9th, 2020. The Proceedings were titled, "The Impact of a Summer Mathematics Academy on Early Number: A Two-Year Case Study."

Dr. Keith Kerschen presented a session at the School Science and Mathematics Association (SSMA) Virtual Conference on November 6, 2020. The presentations was titled. "The Impact of a Summer Mathematics Academy on Early Number: A Two-Year Case Study."

Dr. Nolan Harms, associate professor of health and human performance, along with wife Amy, wrote the Continuing Education Exam, and corresponding Learning Objectives for the new 2nd edition of High-Performance Training for Sports released in Spring 2021 by Human Kinetics Publishing. The text presents the latest and most effective philosophies, protocols, and programs for developing today's athletes. High-Performance Training for Sports features contributions from global leaders in athletic performance training, coaching, and rehabilitation. Experts share the innovative knowledge and techniques they've used with Olympians as well as top athletes and teams from the NBA, NFL, MLB, English Premier League, Tour de France, and International Rugby.

James Bockelman, professor of art, Seth Boggs, associate professor of art, Justin Groth, assistant professor of art, Aaron Nix, assistant professor of art, and Don Robson, professor of art, each presented recent artwork in the Marxhausen Gallery of Art as part of the Faculty Show that ran from February 14-March 25.

The Aurora Coop video, "Know Your Roots," produced by redthread advertising and starring Aaron Nix won three 2021 Nebraska American Advertising Awards.

Dr. Shanna Opfer, director of elementary education, successfully defended her dissertation titled "Pedagogical, Attitudinal, and Environmental Influences on Student-Center Technology Practices of Elementary Teachers" and earned her Ph.D. in Education from Walden University in August 2020.

Dr. Lorinda Sankey, dean of the College of Education, Health and Human Sciences, is completing her two-year term as a member of the Executive Committee to Nebraska Council on Teacher Education (NCTE) and Chair of Standing Committee. NCTE is an advisory body to the Nebraska State Board of Education.

Dr. Ken Sankey and Dr. Lorinda Sankey presented two sessions titled, "I've got data, now what? Using data to inform instructional decisions" at the Kansas District LCMS Educator Conference (online). Oct. 12, 2020.

Dr. Lorinda Sankey presented "A Genesis model for Lutheran learning environments," at the Kansas District LCMS Educator Conference (online) Oct. 13, 2020.

Dylan Teut, director of the Plum Creek Literacy Festival, was awarded the Reading Spotlight Award through Read Aloud Nebraska organization. The award was given to Dylan for his work providing resources and innovative ideas for literacy instruction and access to educators and librarians during the early stages of the Covid-19 pandemic.

Dylan Teut served as a consultant for the Language Arts Department of the Nebraska Department of Education (NDE) in the month of August. Through video calls and listening sessions, Dylan provided The New Teacher Project (TNTP) with

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feedback, support, and ideas for year two of the Nebraska Reading Improvement Act (NRIA) implementation. The information gathered by TNTP will be shared with the NDE Language Arts Department, who will make recommendations to the state legislature for the second year of the NRIA.

Dylan Teut completed the requirements for a degree and was awarded a Master of Philosophy in Education from Walden University. He is currently a Ph.D. candidate for the Ph.D. in Education: Reading, Literacy Instruction and Assessment program at Walden, has defended his proposal, and will soon defend his dissertation.

Dylan Teut had two peer-reviewed panels accepted for International Literacy Conference in Columbus, Ohio in October 2020, which has now been cancelled due to COVID-19. The sessions were: "For What It's Worth: The Power of Picture Books in Social Emotional Learning" and "Whatever It Takes: Unconventional Formats of Books to Ignite and Excite Readers."

Dylan Teut had two peer-reviewed panels accepted for the National Council of Teachers of English in Denver, Colorado in November 2020, which has now been cancelled due to COVID-19. The sessions were: "The Bridge of Stories, The Flow of the Classroom" and "My Song, My Story, My Light; Our Legacy."

Dylan Teut's term on the selection committee for the Mathical Book Award prize committee, as a representative of the National Council of Teachers of English has been renewed for an additional two years. The award is given through the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics and the Children's Book Council.

Rev. Dr. David Coe. Assistant Professor of Theology, gave the Julia Watkin Memorial Kierkegaard Lecture for St. Olaf College on May 4, 2021, presenting his recent book Kierkegaard and Luther (Fortress Academic, 2020).

Dr. Vicki Anderson, associate professor of education, worked with and supervised two teams of students in the Spring 2021 semester as they developed curriculum and taught ESL online with two different mission organizations.

Dr. Curt Beck, professor of business administration led a group of 20 students to compete in the annual Collegiate Leadership Competition.

Dr. Joseph Herl, professor of music, had his memoir "Nicholas Temperley, FHS: A Personal Recollection" appear in the Summer 2020 issue of The Hymn: Journal of Congregational Song.

Dr. Joseph Herl, along with Peter Reske of Concordia Publishing House, introduced Lutheran Service Book: Companion to the Hymns at the 2020 annual meeting of the Hymn Society in the United States and Canada.

Dr. Joseph Herl prepared an English-language website for the Internationale Arbeitsgemeinschaft für Hymnologie.

Dr. Joseph Herl had his biographical entry, written by Benjamin Kolodziej, added to the Canterbury Dictionary of Hymnology, published by Canterbury Press in Norwich, United Kingdom.

Kurth Brashear, vice president for institutional advancement, completed his term as president of the Rotary Club of Seward in June 2020.

Ryan Burger, adjunct professor in the business department, was elected as Chairman of the Nebraska Society of CPAs.

Jennifer Furr, senior director of alumni & university relations, serves as a Commissioner for the Council for Christian Colleges & Universities' Alumni Affairs Directors Group.

Bryan Moore, professor of communication and theatre arts and director of theatre, was recently named one of two winners of the 2020 National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE) Affiliate Intellectual Freedom Awards, after being nominated by the Nebraska English Language Arts Council (NELAC).

Bryan Moore has begun his two-year term as President of the Literary Managers and Dramaturgs of the Americas (LMDA), an international organization serving theatre members in the U.S., Canada, Mexico and beyond.

Dr. Ben Stellwagen, Director of Dual Credit & School Partnerships, now serves as an advisory member of the Save the Seminary Campaign for the Siberian Lutheran Mission Society. He is leading efforts to connect descendants of German Russians in the United States to the restoration of Lutheranism in the Russian Federation through the Siberian Evangelical Lutheran Church and its seminary in Novosibirsk.

Dr. Ben Stellwagen, along with alumnus Scott Ernstmeyer, Executive Director at Lincoln Lutheran, has led a year-long leadership development workshop for Future Administrator Candidate Training (FACT) through the Association of Lutheran Secondary Schools (ALSS).

Dr. Ben Stellwagen led a sectional on "Mission-Minded, Data-Backed Decisions" for the LCMS Missouri District Professional Church Workers' Conference in October.

Scott Seevers, senior director of development & engagement, has been appointed to the City of Seward's Planning Commission.

Academic Regalia

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was earned. Following are the colors and their corresponding academic areas:

Maize	Agriculture	Purple
White	Arts, Letters, the Humanities	Lemon
Drab	Commerce, Accountancy, Business	Green
Copper	Economics	Pink
Light Blue	Education	Apricot
Brown	Fine Arts, Architecture	Dark Blue

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- Academic costume has its origin in the schools of the 12th and 13th centuries when universities were most often
- The colors and designs of the lining of the hood represent the institution. Concordia is represented by the royal blue and white chevrons. The colored strip around the border of the hood indicates the academic area in which the degree



