



THE INAUGURATION OF
Dr. Bernard D. Bull

AS THE 11TH PRESIDENT OF
CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY, NEBRASKA

Friday, October 22, 2021
11:00 a.m. Friedrich Arena



DR. BERNARD D. BULL

THE 11TH PRESIDENT OF CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY, NEBRASKA

Dr. Bernard D. Bull was installed as Concordia University, Nebraska's 11th president on August 22, 2021. A leader in Christian Lutheran higher education, Bull comes to Concordia after serving as president of Goddard College in Plainfield, Vermont, and in various leadership roles at Concordia University Wisconsin.

Bull is actively involved in the higher education landscape regarding educational innovation, futures in education, nurturing learner agency and ownership, and the intersection of education and digital culture. He is a regularly featured presenter at national education conferences and has authored and edited several books and publications, many of which are used by Concordia faculty.

Bull earned his bachelor's in education, theology and history from Concordia University Wisconsin in 1994, before earning his master's in curriculum and instruction from Concordia University Chicago in 1997, a master of liberal studies from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee in 2005 and a doctor of education in instructional technology from Northern Illinois University in 2007.

Bull and Joyanna, his wife, have two children, Bethany and Nathaniel. In her career, Dr. Joyanna Bull has served as a university adjunct faculty member and a K-12 teacher in both Lutheran and public schools.

THE *Inauguration* PROGRAM

PRE-CEREMONY MUSIC

“All Things Bright and Beautiful” by Warren Baker
University Concert Band, Dr. Kurt von Kampen, '83, *Conductor*

PROCESSIONAL

“The Morning Trumpet” by Stephen Bulla
University Concert Band

Marshalls
Regents
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Faculty
Greeters & Speaker
Officiants & Lectors
President

WELCOME

Mr. Dennis Meyer '70, *Chair, Board of Regents*

INVOCATION

The Rev. Scott Bruick '87, *Fourth Vice President, The Nebraska District of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod*

NATIONAL ANTHEM

University Concert Band

GREETINGS

Dr. Timothy Preuss '83, *University Provost, Concordia University Partners in Ministry*

Mr. Owen Dawson '23, *President of Student Senate, Concordia University Students*

The Rev. Dr. Michael Kumm, *Chairman, Board of Directors, The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod*

Mr. Joshua Eickmeier, *Mayor of Seward, Nebraska, Community*

Ms. Treva Haugaard, *Executive Director, Council of Independent Nebraska Colleges Foundation, Nebraska Institutions of Higher Education*

THE ADDRESS

The Rev. Dr. Leopoldo Sánchez

ANTHEM

“Fairest Lord Jesus” by Derek Hakes

Combined University A Cappella Choir, Cantamus, and Male Chorus, Dr. Jeffrey Blersch, *Conductor*, Mr. Nathan Pennington '23, *Piano*

OLD TESTAMENT READING

1 Kings 3:5-15

Ms. Hayley Steinbauer '22, *Lector*

NEW TESTAMENT READING

1 Corinthians 12:12-19

Mr. Max Johnston '22, *Lector*

GOSPEL READING

John 13:31-35

The Rev. Ryan Matthias, *Campus Pastor, Concordia University*

THE INAUGURAL CEREMONY AND THE INVESTITURE

Mr. Dennis Meyer

THE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

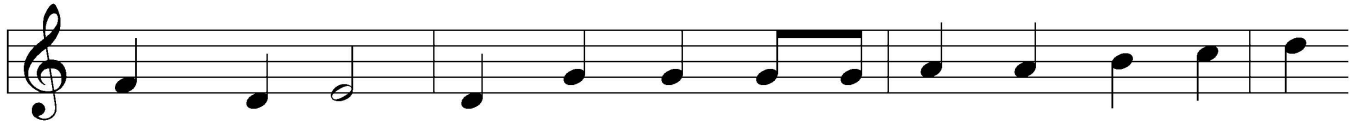
Dr. Bernard Bull

HYMN

"O Day Full of Grace" (stanza 3, choir only)



1 O day full of grace that now we see Ap - pear - ing on
2 O day full of grace, O bless - ed time, Our Lord on the
3 For Christ bore our sins, and not His own, When He on the
4 God came to us then at Pen - te - cost, His Spir - it new



earth's ho - ri - zon, Bring light from our God that we may be
earth ar - riv - ing; Then came to the world that light sub - lime,
cross was hang - ing; And then He a - rose and moved the stone
life re - veal - ing, That we might no more from Him be lost,



Re - plete in His joy this sea - son. God, shine for us
Great joy for us all re - triev - ing; For Je - sus all
That we, un - to Him be - long - ing, Might join with an -
All dark - ness for us dis - pel - ling. His flame will the



now in this dark place; Your name on our hearts em - bla - zon.
mor - tals did em - brace, All dark - ness and shame re - mov - ing.
gel - ic hosts to raise Our voic - es in end - less sing - ing.
mark of sin ef - face And bring to us all His heal - ing.

PRAYERS

The Rev. Ryan Matthias

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

The Rev. Scott Bruick

THE CONCORDIA TOWER SONG

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

W. E. Mueller

Theodore Beck



Dear old tow'r that shines a - bove us, Dear hearts that catch the gleam; Tho'



miles and years re - move us, Of you we'll al - ways dream. From



Plum to Blue and yon - der We rise Con-cor - dia's own, To



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

CLOSING

Mr. Dennis Meyer

RECESSIONAL

"Rise of the Firebird" by Steven Reineke

University Concert Band

POST-CEREMONY MUSIC

"Trilogy for Band" by Clifton Williams

University Concert Band



DR. LEOPOLDO A. SÁNCHEZ M., SPEAKER

Dr. Sánchez is the Werner R.H. Krause and Elizabeth Ringger Krause Professor of Hispanic Ministries, professor of Systematic Theology and director of the Center for Hispanic Studies at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, Missouri. He has been a faculty member since 2004.

He received his doctorate of philosophy from Concordia Seminary in 2003 and his master of divinity from Concordia Theological Seminary in 1999. Sánchez earned a bachelor's in theology from Concordia University Wisconsin in 1995.

Sánchez served as the main drafter for The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) Commission on Theology and Church Relations' report "Immigrants among Us: A Lutheran Framework for Addressing Immigration Issues" (2012). He served as president of the LCMS' Fifth National Hispanic Convention (2012–15), the Hispanic Convention's vice president in the previous triennium (2009–12) and chairman of

Lutherans in Medical Missions (2012–16), a LCMS Recognized Service Organization. He has served organizations such as the Lutheran Women's Missionary League, Lutheran Hour Ministries and Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Service as a theological consultant for various projects.



THE PRESIDENTIAL MEDALLION

The Presidential Medallion contains the question "What is in your hand, Concordia College*, Seward, Nebraska?" This question stems from the experience of the Old Testament prophet Moses when he stood before the burning bush. God asked him, "What is that in your hand?" Moses said, "a stick." Then God showed him what tremendous potential he would have, if he used even this humble stick in confidence and trust.

A college faculty, staff, and student body can, like Moses, think of reasons for not doing what God expects of them at any given time. The easiest excuse is, "I am not able to do it." But God has a way of supplying the ability and strength for the tasks that He wants done. This medallion is meant to remind the Concordia College community not to underestimate the great things that can be accomplished when God's energy supply is tapped.

A priority challenge of a Christian college president is to facilitate the fullest constructive unfolding of the God-given talents of all the people who make up the college. His unflagging goal must be to stimulate both teachers and students to take whatever God has placed in their hands and use it to edify the church and the world.

This medallion, with its focus on the symbol of the flame, is meant as an encouragement toward the kind of leadership which helps people let their light shine in a way that glorifies God and benefits the world

Medallion created and explanation written by Reinhold Marxhausen, professor of art

*Concordia College became Concordia University in 1998

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| 1864 | Concordia University Chicago CHICAGO, ILLINOIS Erik Ankerberg, Ph.D. <i>Provost</i> | 1926 | Concordia University Texas AUSTIN, TEXAS Thomas E. Cedel, Ph.D. <i>President Emeritus</i> |
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| 1872 | Doane University CRETE, NEBRASKA Anne Ziola, M.A. <i>Director of Human Resources</i> | 1942 | Lutheran Education Association RIVER FOREST, ILLINOIS Jonathan Laabs, Ed.D. <i>Executive Director</i> |
| 1878 | Creighton University OMAHA, NEBRASKA Mardell A. Wilson, Ed.D. <i>Provost</i> | 1969 | University of Nebraska LINCOLN, NEBRASKA David Jackson, Ph.D. <i>Vice Provost</i> |
| 1881 | Concordia University Wisconsin MEQUON, WISCONSIN John Buuck, Ph.D. '58 <i>President Emeritus</i> | 1972 | Concordia University Irvine IRVINE, CALIFORNIA The Rev. David W. Loy, Ph.D. <i>Assistant Dean of Christ College</i> |
| 1881 | Concordia University Wisconsin and Ann Arbor MEQUON, WISCONSIN AND ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN William R. Cario, Ph.D. <i>Interim President</i> | 1992 | Concordia University System ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI The Rev. Dean O. Wenthe, Ph.D. <i>President</i> |
| 1885 | Dakota Wesleyan University MITCHELL, SOUTH DAKOTA Theresa Kriese, MBA <i>Interim President</i> | 1998 | St. Gregory the Great Seminary SEWARD, NEBRASKA Fr. Brian Kane, M.Div., M.A. <i>President/Rector</i> |
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OUR 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.



OUR PROMISES OF A LUTHERAN EDUCATION

COMMUNITY

An environment of...

Grace freely given and received
Guidance from faith-filled mentors

INQUIRY

An exploration of...

Varied perspectives of the world, its inhabitants, and cultures
Biblical perspectives to bring meaning and understanding

PURPOSE

A calling to...

Fully develop God-given gifts and talents
Gratefully utilize talents in service to others

WISDOM

The capacity to...

Apply skills and knowledge in harmony with character and faith
Navigate the intersection of faith and culture