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SCHOOL OR EMPLOYED
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PRE-COMMENCEMENT MUSIC

A Festival Prelude
Life Eternal
Joy in All Things

Alfred Reed
Rossano Galante
Brian Balamages

PROCESSIONAL

Pomp and Circumstance

Edward Elgar, arr. James Ployhar

- Marshals of the Faculty
- Candidates for Graduation
- Professional/Technical Staff of the University
- Faculty of the University
- Regents of the University
- Pastoral Leader of St. John Lutheran Church, School and Child Development Center
- Pastor of The Rock Lutheran Church
- University Registrar
- Recipients of Honorary Degrees and Awards
- Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences
- Dean of the College of Business and Technology
- Dean of the College of Education, Health and Human Sciences
- Provost of the University
- Commencement Speaker
- President of the University

INVOCATION

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

The Star Spangled Banner

arr. Bill Moffit

HYMN

God of Grace and God of Glory

Lutheran Service Book 850

1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, On Your peo - ple
2 Lo, the hosts of e - vil round us Scorn the Christ, as -
Choir: *Cure Your chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; Bend our pride to*
4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion To the e - vils

pour Your pow'r; Crown Your an - cient Church's sto - ry;
sail His ways! From the fears that long have bound us
Your con - trol; Shame our wan - ton self - ish glad - ness,
we de - plore; Let the gift of Your sal - va - tion

Bring its bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom
Free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom
Rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom
Be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom

grant us cour - age For the fac - ing of this hour,
grant us cour - age For the liv - ing of these days,
grant us cour - age Lest we miss Your king - dom's goal,
grant us cour - age, Serv - ing You whom we a - dore,

For the fac - ing of this hour.
For the liv - ing of these days.
Lest we miss Your king - dom's goal.
Serv - ing You whom we a - dore.

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

Dr. Gene Edward Veith, Jr.

PRESENTATION OF THE CANDIDATES

CONFERRAL OF DEGREES AND AWARDING OF DIPLOMAS

ANTHEM

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Victor C. Johnson

RECOGNITION OF HONORARY DEGREES AND AWARDS

DOCTOR OF LAWS DEGREE

Dr. Cynthia Lumley

DOCTOR OF LETTERS DEGREE

Dr. Gene Edward Veith, Jr.

MASTER EDUCATOR AWARD

Jan Doellinger '73

CREST OF CHRIST AWARD

Martin (Marty) Kohlwey CO '83 GR '98

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

Janice Marion Wendorf

OUTSTANDING TEACHING AWARD

Rev. Dr. John Genter, Assistant Professor of Theology

CHARGE TO GRADUATES AND CLOSING

THE CONCORDIA TOWER SONG

W.E. Mueller and Theodore Beck

University Chamber Choir

BENEDICTION

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. (LSB 805)

RECESSIONAL

Attendees, please remain seated until all of the graduates have processed out. The recessional will conclude outside in the stadium area to the south of the building.

POST-COMMENCEMENT MUSIC

Doxology

William Himes

POSTLUDE

All Things So Wondrous

William Owens

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Sarah Jurchen, M.S., University Registrar

The Rev. Jonathan Bartels, Pastor, The Rock Lutheran Church

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Kristy Jurchen, Ph.D., Professor of Chemistry

John Genter, M.Div., Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Theology

DEPUTY MARSHALS

Marcus Gubanyi, M.A., Assistant Professor of Computer Science

Beth Pester, Ph.D., Professor of Education

MUSIC

UNIVERSITY WIND SYMPHONY

Robert D. Cody, M.M., Conductor

UNIVERSITY CHAMBER CHOIR

Kurt E. von Kampen, Ed.D., Conductor

DR. CYNTHIA LUMLEY
DOCTOR OF LAWS



The Concordia University, Nebraska Doctor of Laws degree is conferred upon individuals who have distinguished themselves through prolonged superior service in their field of endeavor.

Dr. Cynthia Lumley studied first year science at the University of Calgary and earned a bachelor of science degree in medical biochemistry from the University of Surrey. In addition, she has a doctorate in radiation biology from the University of London and studied at Westfield House of Theological Study in Cambridge. She received a master of arts and The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod Deaconess Certification from Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne. She is a commissioned lay counselor specializing in marriage, divorce and remarriage. She also earned a master of arts in Christianity and the arts from King's College, University of London and is working toward a doctorate in education from the University of Nottingham. Since 2013, Lumley has served as principal of Westfield House of Theological Studies. This role includes legal duties and administrative oversight, financial management, communications and development and undergraduate teaching. She was previously associate director of deaconess studies at Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne. She was also a researcher, board director and company secretary for the Centre for Medicines Research International Ltd., which was established by the Association of the British Pharmaceutical Industry (ABPI) with the goal of becoming a leading center of excellence for addressing strategic issues in

the discovery, development and safe use of medicines for the benefit of society.

During her career in the pharmaceutical industry, Lumley was published extensively in scientific literature, edited numerous books and was frequently invited to present at national and international meetings. She also lectured on clinical pharmacology, pharmaceutical medicine and toxicology and presented at numerous national and international workshops and continuing education courses. She taught intensive courses to deaconess students in India, Ghana, Nicaragua, Ethiopia and Sumatra.

Lumley has contributed to various Concordia Publishing House texts and been featured in *For the Life of the World*, *The British Lutheran*, *Cornerstone* and other publications. She served various associations and societies that focus on toxicology, pharmaceuticals, medical research and theology. In 2000, she received the U.S. Drug Information Association Outstanding Service Award, and in 2004, she received an honorary fellowship to the British Toxicology Society, having served as the first female chairman. Over the years, she supported her church congregations as an organist, Sunday School teacher, treasurer,

Vacation Bible School teacher, Bible study leader and volunteer deaconess.

Since 2019, Lumley has served as treasurer of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of England and previously served in various other roles. In Fort Wayne, she helped found The Shepherd's Hand Community Outreach Center and served as a volunteer lay counselor with Cross Connections, a Lutheran Recognized Service Organization (RSO) established to provide biblically-based counselling services. She was formerly a volunteer and member of the board of directors for Lutheran Military Veterans and

Families Ministries.

Lumley currently serves as a host for a refugee family from Ukraine and is a founding member of the Benson Area Residents Association, the local residents' association for the area surrounding Westfield House.

In conferring this degree to Dr. Cynthia Lumley, Concordia University, Nebraska praises God for those who use their gifts in dedicated service in their field. We are pleased to confer upon Dr. Cynthia Lumley the Doctor of Laws degree, honoris causa.

DR. GENE EDWARD VEITH, JR.
DOCTOR OF LETTERS



The Concordia University, Nebraska Doctor of Letters degree is given to people who have distinguished themselves through creative contributions to their field.

A writer and retired literature professor, Dr. Gene Edward Veith, Jr. is the author of 29 books, including *The Spirituality of the Cross: The Way of the First Evangelicals*, *God at Work: Your Christian Vocation in All of Life* and *Embracing Your Lutheran Identity*.

Now retired, he serves as the director of The Cranach Institute, a research and educational arm of Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne and operates the Cranach blog on Christianity, Culture and Vocation. He is a permanent board member of the Consortium for Classical Lutheran Education and a current fellow for the Capital Research Center in Washington, D.C.

Veith has a doctorate in English from the University of Kansas, a master of arts degree

in English from the University of Kansas and a bachelor of arts degree in letters with distinction from the University of Oklahoma.

Veith is provost emeritus at Patrick Henry College, where he served as professor of literature, dean of academic affairs and interim president. He worked previously as culture editor of *World Magazine* and as professor of English and dean of the school of arts and sciences at Concordia University Wisconsin. He was a visiting professor at Wheaton College, the Estonian Institute of Humanities, Regent College and Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary. Early in his career, he

was an instructor of English at Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College.

Veith served as chairman of the translation committee for The Lutheran Service Book and is a past board member for Concordia Publishing House. He contributed to three foundational books used widely throughout *The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod: The Lutheran Service Book*, *The Lutheran Study Bible* and *Concordia: A Reader's Edition of the Book of Concord*.

In 2018, he received the Magister Magnus Award from the Consortium for Classical Lutheran Education. He has honorary doctorates from Patrick Henry College, Concordia University Irvine and Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne. Recognized with a myriad of literary and service-focused awards, he was named the Rev. Dr. Robert D. Preus Confessional Lutheran Layman of the Year in 2002, his book *Postmodern Times* was named one of the top 25 religious books of the year by Christianity Today in 1994, and was presented with the Ronald F. Berg Faculty Laureate Award from Concordia University Wisconsin in 1995.

Veith has authored more than 100 scholarly articles, reviews and papers, as well as various weekly journalism pieces including articles, reviews and columns. He is also a popular speaker on Christianity, culture and the arts.

He and his wife Jackquelyn are members of Village Lutheran Church in Ladue, Missouri. They have three grown children: Paul Veith, Joanna (Adam) Hensley and Mary (Ned) Moerbe and twelve grandchildren.

In conferring this degree to Dr. Gene Edward Veith, Jr., Concordia University, Nebraska praises God for those who have distinguished themselves through their creative contributions to their field. We are pleased to confer upon Dr. Gene Edward Veith, Jr. the Doctor of Letters degree, honoris causa.

JAN DOELLINGER MASTER EDUCATOR AWARD

The Master Educator Award is presented to teachers, Directors of Christian Education, school administrators or deaconesses who have distinguished themselves through prolonged superior service in Lutheran educational ministry.

Jan Doellinger '73 earned a bachelor of science in education and a Lutheran Teacher Diploma from then-named Concordia Teachers College in Seward. She also has a master of arts in administration from then-named Concordia College in River Forest, Illinois.

Doellinger currently serves as interim principal of Trinity Lutheran School in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and as The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod Iowa District East (IDE) assistant to the president. In the district role, she represents the president at all schools and preschools, serves as a resource to all schools and early childhood centers in the district, provides call lists and offers resources and support to new school starts. She also partners with others to plan and present yearly teacher's conferences, early childhood conferences, principal's conferences and board trainings.

Doellinger previously served as teacher and then principal at Central Lutheran School in Newhall, Iowa, as middle school principal at Faith Lutheran Middle School & High School in Las Vegas, as teacher, assistant principal and principal of Trinity Lutheran School in Davenport, Iowa, and as teacher at St. Paul's Lutheran School, North Tonawanda, New York.

Doellinger has given presentations and sectionals connected with Lutheran Education Association (LEA) Convocation and district teacher's conferences. She served as project manager for the LEA Lutheran Elementary



Teachers Department's Beginning Teacher's Academy, has been published in the Lutheran Education Journal and has contributed a monthly article for educators in IDE's professional packet since 2016. She serves on the Iowa Lutheran Student Tuition Organization board of directors and the Iowa Alliance for Choice in Education board of directors. She has held various positions with LEA including president.

Active in her church, Doellinger has volunteered as an usher, handbell choir director, children and adult choir director and educational consultant. In addition to her current role with Iowa District East, she has served on the IDE Board of Directors, the IDE Schools Committee and the IDE Parish Education Committee. She is also ex officio of the Christ Lutheran High School board of directors.

She is married to Rev. Jerry Doellinger and has two stepchildren, Chad and Chris Doellinger, and four grandchildren. Together, Jerry and Jan started the Pastor Jerry and Jan Doellinger Endowment Fund For Student Loan Relief for workers in Iowa District East to help called workers reduce their student debt.

In recognizing Jan Doellinger as a master educator, Concordia University, Nebraska praises God for providing all who dedicate themselves to education. We are pleased to bestow upon Jan Doellinger the Master Educator Award.

MARTY KOHLWEY

CREST OF CHRIST AWARD



The Concordia University, Nebraska Crest of Christ Award honors individuals who humbly share and demonstrate the love and grace of Jesus Christ in their lives while serving public ministries and the work of the church at large.

Martin (Marty) Kohlwey CO '83 GR '98 has a master of education degree in family life education and ministry and a bachelor of science degree in theology and physical education from Concordia University, Nebraska.

Since 2016, Kohlwey has served as director of campus ministry, theology department head and worldviews/theology teacher at Lutheran High School in Parker, Colorado. He also oversees chapel, chapel groups, parent ministry, youth worship, missions and service. He is a presenter at conferences for youth and teachers speaking on topics like "Why Are You a Christian?", "Parenting Adolescents" and "Thriving Parent Ministry."

Kohlwey served at Concordia Nebraska in a variety of roles from 1998-2016 including coordinator and instructor of the university's first year experience class, instructor for methods of secondary religion and lifespan development, director of student activities and director of student life. Kohlwey also served as assistant men's and assistant women's basketball coach and head men's basketball coach. He was the faculty advisor of the Multicultural Awareness Club and led Concordia's all-campus devotions.

Kohlwey also taught a variety of other courses at the college level and has organized and led basketball mission trips to Haiti, Panama and Mexico. He also facilitated, directed and assisted

basketball camps at the high school and college level for more than 25 years.

Prior to his service at the university, he served as religion department head, teacher, spiritual life director and head boys' basketball coach at Lutheran High School in Rockford, Illinois.

Kohlwey and his wife Sue '03 have three children and eight grandchildren. Stephanie (Mike GR '14) Borst attended Concordia Nebraska from 2003-2004 and graduated from Concordia Irvine in 2007. Kirsten '12 is married to Sam Huebner '11. Micah '16 is married to Taylor (Wissing) Kohlwey, who attended Concordia Nebraska from 2012-2014 and graduated from College of St. Mary in 2016.

In recognizing Marty Kohlwey with the Crest of Christ Award, Concordia University, Nebraska praises God for providing all who dedicate themselves to serving the public ministries and work of the church at large. We are pleased to bestow upon Marty Kohlwey the Crest of Christ Award.

JANICE MARION WENDORF

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD



The Concordia University, Nebraska Distinguished Service Award is given to individuals who have demonstrated the use of God's gifts in outstanding public service.

Janice Marion Wendorf earned a bachelor of arts in secondary physical education and English from then-named Concordia Teachers College in River Forest, Illinois. Now retired, she previously served as a high school teacher and coach at Lutheran High School South in St. Louis, Missouri, and Concordia Lutheran High School in Ft. Wayne, Indiana. She also served as a substitute teacher and coach at Central Noble Schools in Albion, Indiana, and as a conference specialist in The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod Ohio District for Concordia Publishing House.

Active throughout the church at large, Wendorf was a contributing devotional author for Hope Notes and Hope Notes Volume Two and a keynote speaker, Bible study leader, presenter and retreat leader. She has given numerous presentations and speeches as an ambassador for Lutheran World Relief and for Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML), which is now called Lutheran Women in Mission.

Wendorf previously served on the Board of Regents for Concordia University Ann Arbor, the Board of Regents for Concordia University Wisconsin, the Synod Task Force on Domestic Violence and Child Abuse and the Synod Board for Mission Services. From 2007 to 2011, she was national president of LWML. She also contributed to the organization as vice president of Christian Life from 2001-2005, and since 1983, she assisted numerous LWML committees on the local, district and national levels. She was also

secretary on the board of directors of Lutheran Hour Ministries, on the board of directors of the Lutheran Deaf Mission, as an ambassador for Lutheran World Relief and on the board of directors for Lutheran Bible Translators.

Wendorf is married to Rev. Kent Wendorf, and they have three grown children: Rev. Nathan (Kristine) Wendorf, Daniel (Krista) Wendorf, Naomi (Joshua) Peterson and 12 grandchildren.

In recognizing Janice Marion Wendorf with the Distinguished Service Award, Concordia University, Nebraska praises God for providing all who dedicate themselves to public service. We are pleased to bestow upon Janice Marion Wendorf the Distinguished Service Award.

College of Arts and Sciences

BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE

Lilley Katherine Barber*	Madelyn Rose Graham	Reece Harley	Lindsay R. Palmer
Sophia Marie Bossio	Braxton Alan Greenburg	Knutzen-Snodgrass	Samuel Grayson Richling
Aubrey Bruning	Charles W. Hayden*	Megan Grace Kuefner	MaKenzi Nichole Ross
Joshua Austin Burmeister	Kelsi Jean Heard*	Elizabeth Jo Lee**	Cristina Irene Schmidt**
Hannah Jaden Angel Callahan*	Sadie Elizabeth Henson*	Goldie Ann Manning*	Caleb Benjamin Swor
Iker Casanova	Kirsten Grace Horne	Isabella Lopez Marchisio	Teegan Michael Tschampel
Bethany Grace Dawn	Emily Katherine Howard	Breyer K. Meeks	Megan M. Welch
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Mason J. Garcia	Jennifer L. Katz**	John David Merritt	Courtney M. Wright
Thomas Dean Gorline^^			

BACHELOR OF FINE ARTS DEGREE

Sophia Marie Bossio	Hannah R. Helmer**	Kaitlyn V. Porter	Aiden Grant Weishaar
Grace Carolina Conant	McKenzie L. Moore	Harley Marie Storie	
Abigail N. Gerber*	Isabella Marie Peperkorn	Heidi Joanne van der Heijden	

BACHELOR OF MUSIC DEGREE

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Connor Matthew Asche	Rebecca G. Gebhardt**	Joshua K. Palacios	Buchanan K. F. Tietjen
Bradley Charles Bennett*	Lydia Joyce Hodges	Joshua R. Puelz**	Tyler Christian Walford
Athalie M. Dornier	Joseph I. Kahrs	Psalm C. Richters	Trenton D. Wills

*with distinction ** with high distinction ^Luke Scholar

College of Business and Technology

BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE

Anna Chen**	Garret M. Moser	Trinity Kathryn Tuls**	Abigail R. Wohlgenuth
Zachary Robin Downs	Jaden Taylor Ouder Kirk	Nathaniel Henry Weaver	
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Nick Leader	Molly Anne Reece*	Sarah A. Wilson	

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE

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Gavin A. Buttshaw	Reed Rien McFadden*	Victor M. Santana	Justin Michael Webert
Iker Casanova	David Lee McGarvie	Noah R. Schaedel	Michael Montgomery Welch
Nolan J. Fuelberth*	Gabriel Eduardo Mendoza	Evan G. Schmidt	Tytus J. Woodburn
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MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION DEGREE

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Anabelle A. Bradshaw	Logan S. Eschliman	Julie Howe	Alan Schedler
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Consuella Maria Cavett	Samantha Lynn Fox	Tice Lee Jenkins	Angelina Rose Stinson
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College of Education, Health and Human Sciences

BACHELOR OF ARTS DEGREE

Abigail G. Baack	Sven Gredelj*	Kassidy R. Johnson	Jackson C. Smith
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Joshua T. D'Ercole	Mackenzie Nicole Houser	Jane Neuhaus	Patrick J. Zeller
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Malia Espinosa	Cassidy Sue Knust**	Thad J. Rathjen	Maverick William Wylder
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Henry Paul Gaertner*	Abby Corina Krieser	Carson John Richters	
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Abigail N. Gerber*	Katelyn Rose Lueders	Austen J. Rozelle	

MASTER OF ARTS

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Autumn Josephine Capler	Timothy Jon Hedger	Jewel Joan Kneifl	Gina Marie Troia-VaNess
Yessica Andrea Cardona	Jorji Jo Johnson	Tammy Kay Lee	Emily Marie Woodall
Samantha Lee Engel	Lisa Marie Jurries	Naomi Elizabeth Ristvedt	

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MASTER OF EDUCATION DEGREE

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Abigail Coday	Bethany Rose Hoehne	Nora Jane McGowen	McKenna Ann Unick
Kristin Nicole Colvey	Stacey Lynn Hofaker	Ashley Milburn	Joshua Dewitt Van Pelt
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Emly Ann Daberkow	Emily Renee Hotsko	Madeleine Elizabeth Murray	Kymbre Paige Veilleux
Jilaya Lynn Dailey	Whitney Jade Howard	Lapthan Nguyen Ngo	Mikala Jo Vrbka
Daphne Elsie Darter	Sage Kennedy Hoy	Kylee Nixon	Quan Minh Vu
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Sammie LeJean Davis	Samantha Nicole Hussey	Cecilia Gabriela Nuñez	Erika Faye Ward
Susan Kay Devereux	Jillian Rose Igl	Tanner Lynn Ohlson	Mia M. Watson-Potratz
Josue Dieudonne	Samantha Jo Janda	Darla Mae Orender	John Francis Wehrs
Dori Ann-Miller Douglass	Kaylie Annaliesa Jones	Paul Joseph Pack	Ashley Wendt
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Rebecca Reaugh Duncan	Kassara Love Jump	Julia Janice Pedrosa	Amy Noel Wilkie
Christy Anne Eanes	Amanda Babette Jurgens	Amanda Pensel	Lyle Kenneth Wissmann
Kim Ellen Epting	Brittney Renee Kaiser	David James Peterman	Dylan Lee Woodall
Mackenzey Nicole Ernesti	Tiffany Ann Kearns	Angelica Marie Prestridge	Amanda Suzanne Woodruff
Heather Marie Everson	Stacy Ann Kemp	Jennifer A. Probst	Ranee Nicole Yetts
Mathilda Fehringer	Lucas Alan Kendle	Leanne Marie Raughton	Priscilla Janee Zedaker
Mackenzie B. FitzGerald	Kimberly Anne King	Clarissa Jean Redick	Amber Dawn Zimmerman
Kylie Ann Freeman	Gabrielle Jo King	Anna Jo Reiff	
Kylahn Cherokee Freiberg	Gayl Rene King	Jeremy Richard Reimers	

MASTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Haritha Ashala	Bree Ann Burtwistle	Ehab Khalil	Meghan Rachel Wendling
Cassie Ray Buchholz	Shilpa Francis	Tinh Nghi Cindy Ngo	

MASTER OF SCIENCE

Benjamin H. Berg	Benjamin Thomas Coldiron	Shad Lynn Eberhardt	Ronald Joseph Gundolff
Emilie N. Blomenkamp	Mark Andrew Cook	Marisa Nicole Garver	Shannon M. Leinen
Keely Jade Bracelin	Nathaniel Lee Dartmann	John Nolan Goodwin	Linda LaRae Rischling
Levi James Calhoun	Drew A. D'Ercole	Lia Lehua Guigui	Christian R. Schlepp

Church Work Professional Programs

LUTHERAN TEACHER DIPLOMA

The Lutheran Teacher Diploma is awarded to graduates who intend to enter the teaching ministry of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

Elizabeth Grace Ascher	Nathalie Fay Fortenberry	Katelyn Rose Lueders	Colin Thuringer
Julia Elizabeth Baker	Henry Paul Gaertner	Julie Marie Oetting	Alexis Kianna Urban
Joshua C. Bergt	Abby Mae Hemenway	Nathan James Pennekamp	Jessica Ann Zehendner
Mikayla Lauren Curl	Lydia Ruth Hoft	Madeline Lillie Peters	
Abby Nicole Dueck	Abby Moriah Kandt	Grace Katherine Reimer	
Faith Domiciana	Rhaya Elizabeth Kaschinske	Emma J. Shane	
Malia Espinosa	Kayla V. Loesche	Amanda Marie Steinke	

DIRECTOR OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The DCE Certificate for graduates are awarded to those who intend to enter the DCE ministry of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

Abigail G. Baack	Brianna Jean Bianco	Mikayla Lauren Curl	Abigail Esther Velten
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DIRECTOR OF PARISH MUSIC

The Director of Parish Music Diploma is awarded to graduates who intend to enter the music ministry of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

Ryan James Edinger	Ethan H. Gillespie
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PRE-SEMINARY STUDIES

Concordia's pre-seminary program prepares students for admission to select seminaries where they intend to complete their training to serve the church as pastors.

Joshua Austin Burmeister	Aarin Robert Dean
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CLASSICAL LUTHERAN EDUCATOR CERTIFICATION

The Classical Lutheran Educator Certification grants students the qualification to become rostered church workers in The Lutheran Church--Missouri Synod through additional theology courses, a classical pedagogy class and a practicum at Trinity Academy on Concordia's campus.

Abigail Merritt

BACCALAUREATE DEGREES

Concordia Nebraska confers the Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Fine Arts, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Music and Bachelor of Science in Education degrees upon students who have completed at least 120 semester hours of valid credit and have fulfilled all other obligations.*

GRADUATE DEGREES

Concordia Nebraska grants the Master of Arts, Master of Business Administration, Master of Education, Master of Healthcare Administration, Master of Human Services, Master of Public Health and Master of Science degrees to individuals who have completed a program of graduate studies and fulfilled all other graduate requirements.*

**Appearance of a name in this ceremony program is not official acknowledgement of completion of the degree, certificate or diploma indicated.*

GRADUATION HONORS

Up to 10 percent of the undergraduate class are graduated "with High Distinction," and an additional 15 percent of the class are graduated "with Distinction." A student must have completed at least 64 credit hours at Concordia to qualify for graduation honors.

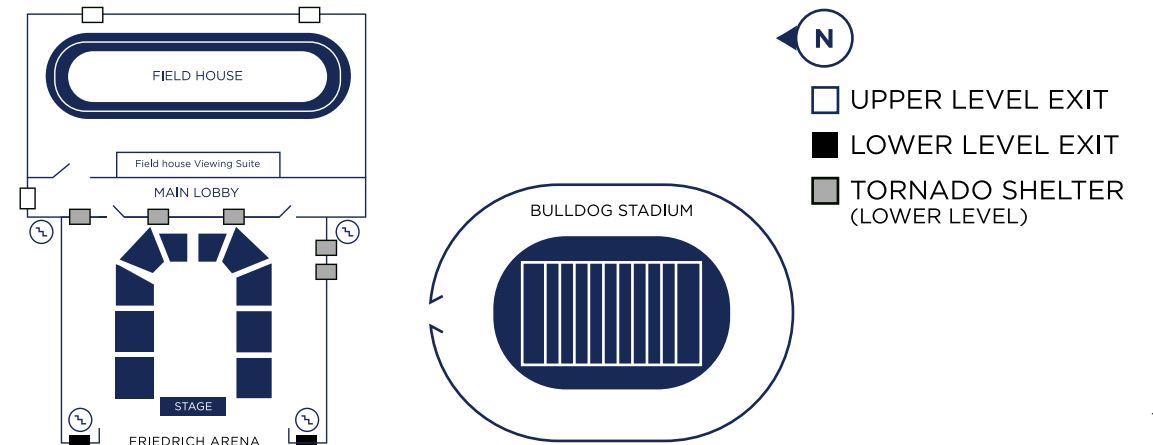
ACADEMIC REGALIA

Academic costume has its origin in the schools of the 12th and 13th centuries when universities were most often administered by faculty and staff associated with the church. Concordia is represented by the royal blue and white chevrons in the lining of the hood. The colored strip around the border of the hood indicates the academic area in which the degree was earned. Following are the colors and their corresponding academic areas:

Maize	Agriculture	Brown	Fine Arts, Architecture	Dark Blue	Philosophy
White	Arts, Letters, the Humanities	Purple	Law	Sage Green	Physical Education
Drab	Commerce, Accountancy, Business	Lemon Green	Library Science	Salmon Pink	Public Health
Copper	Economics	Pink	Medicine	Golden Yellow	Science
Light Blue	Education	Apricot	Music	Citron	Social Work
			Nursing	Scarlet	Theology

EMERGENCY INFORMATION

In the event of an emergency, please locate the nearest exit and leave the building in an orderly fashion. In the event of a tornado, please proceed to the locker rooms on the lower level, as they are the designated tornado shelter areas.



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