PROGRAM

PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL

SINGING (standing)

Psalm 147: 1,4

- Come, praise the LORD! It's good and pleasant to praise his mercy ever present.
 Sing to the LORD, our God and Saviour, who shows his steadfast love and favour.
 He builds Jerusalem's foundations and reunites his scattered nation.
 The broken-hearted he grants healing, binds up their wounds, his love revealing.
- Jerusalem, now praise your Saviour!
 O Zion, thank him for his favour.
 Your gates he strengthens by his power;
 his gifts he on your children showers.
 Within your walls in peace he leads you
 and with the finest wheat he feeds you.
 To all the earth he issues orders
 That swiftly reach its farthest borders.

OPENING

Chairman of the Board of Governors , Rev. John Louwerse

READING: Ephesians 2:11-22

¹¹ Therefore, remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called "the uncircumcision" by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands—¹² remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. ¹³ But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴ For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility ¹⁵ by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, ¹⁶ and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility. ¹⁷ And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. ¹⁸ For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹ So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, ²⁰ built on the foundation of the apostles and the prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, ²¹ in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. ²² In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit (ESV).

A WORD FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Prof. Jason Van Vliet, Ph.D.

SINGING (seated)

Hymn 82: 1, 3

 All glory to thee, Most High, to thee all adoration; in grace and truth hast thou drawn nigh to grant us thy salvation. Thou show-est thy good will to men, and peace shall reign on earth again; we praise thy name forever.

 O Jesus Christ, our God and Lord, Son of the heavenly Father, O thou, who hast our peace restored, the straying sheep dost gather; thou Lamb of God, to thee on high out of the depths we sinners cry: Have mercy on us, Jesus!

INSTALLATION OF A NEW PROFESSOR

Rev. William denHollander, Ph.D.

SINGING (standing): Hymn 6: 1

 Praise God Most High, you servants of the Lord. Praise his great name and of his glory sing; with shouts of joy your thankful praises bring. Let him by all his people be adored, Acknowledged as their sovereign Lord and King.

ADDRESS

Prof. Gerhard H. Visscher, Ph.D. "Grace and Peace"

SINGING (standing)

Hymn 52: 1,4

 The church's one foundation, is Jesus Christ her Lord; she is his new creation by water and the Word. From heaven he came and sought her to be his holy bride; with his own blood he bought her and for her life he died.

 Mid toil and tribulation and tumult of her war, she waits the consummation of peace for evermore; till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest, and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.

CONFERRAL OF THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF DIVINITY

Graduates: Kelvin Dekker Aidan Plug Daniel Shin

CONFERRAL OF BACHELOR OF THEOLOGY DEGREE Tony Zheng

CONFERRAL OF THE DIPLOMA OF THEOLOGICAL STUDIES Vincent Deng

WORD OF THANKS BY GRADUATING STUDENT

SINGING (standing)

Psalm 134: 1, 3

1. Come, bless the LORD with one accord,

you faithful servants of the LORD, who praise him in his house by night and serve him there with all your might.

The LORD now bless you from above, from Zion in his boundless love – our God who made both earth and sky. Praise be to him, the LORD Most High.

PRESENTATION BY THE WOMEN'S SAVINGS ACTION

Mrs. Janet Van Vliet

COLLECTION

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SINGING (seated)

Hymn 85: 2

 O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us; and keep us in his grace, and guide us when perplexed, and free us from all ills of this world in the next.

CLOSING PRAYER

Rev. Clarence VanderVelde, M.Div.

SINGING (standing)

O Canada 1 & 4

O Canada! Our home and native land! True Patriot love in all of us command. With glowing hearts we see thee rise, the true north, strong and free! From far and wide, O Canada, we stand on guard for thee. God keep our land, glorious and free. O Canada, we stand on guard for thee. O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

Ruler Supreme, who hearest humble prayer. Hold our Dominion in Thy loving care. Help us to find, O God, in Thee a lasting, rich reward. As waiting for the better day, we ever stand on guard. God keep our land, glorious and free. O Canada, we stand on guard for thee. O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

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