PROGRAM

PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL

SINGING (standing)

Psalm 33: 1.6

- Rejoice before the Lord, you righteous and with a new song praise his name. Praise is most fitting for the upright; with harp and lyre declare his fame. For the Lord has spoken words of truth unbroken; he is faithful still. righteousness he treasures; earth is with the measures of his goodness filled.
- 6. Our soul awaits the great Redeemer; our help and shield, him we acclaim. In him alone our heart rejoices, for we trust in his holy name. God of our salvation, hear our supplication; to your word be true. Let your love and favour rest on us forever, as we hope in you.

OPENING

Chairman of the Board of Governors, Rev. John Louwerse **READING**: 1 Timothy 4:6-16

⁶ If you put these things before the brothers, you will be a good servant of Christ Jesus, being trained in the words of the faith and of the good doctrine that you have followed. ⁷ Have nothing to do with irreverent, silly myths. Rather train yourself for godliness, 8 for while bodily training is of some value, godliness is of value in every way, as it holds the promise for the present life and also for the life to come. ⁹ The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance. ¹⁰ For to this end we toil and strive because we have our hope set on the living God, who is the Saviour of all people, especially of those who believe. 11 Command and teach these things. 12 Let no one despise you for your youth, but set the believers an example in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, in purity. 13 Until I come, devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to exhortation, to teaching. 14 Do not neglect the gift you have, which was given you by prophecy when the council of elders laid their hands on you. 15 Practice these things, immerse yourself in them, so that all may see your progress. ¹⁶ Keep a close watch on yourself and on the teaching. Persist in this, for by so doing you will save both yourself and your hearers. (ESV)

A WORD FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dr. Jason Van Vliet

SINGING (seated)

Psalm 119: 37,38

37. Oh, how I love the teaching of your law!
I ponder them, all day in study spending.
Your precepts make me wiser than my foe,
for the support they give is never ending.
Through them, I far more than my teachers know:
I have surpassed them all in understanding.

38. I have more insight than the old and grey, for all your precepts I have been observing. I keep my feet from every evil way to honour your commandments without swerving. Lord, you yourself have taught me not to stray; so I walk on, a steady course preserving.

ADDRESS

Dr. Reuben Bredenhof

"The Preacher's Progress"

SINGING (standing)

Psalm 81: 1, 2, 7

- Sing a psalm of joy; shout with holy fervour.
 All your skills employ; with your heart and soul.
 Jacob's God extol.
 He is our preserver.
- O all Israel, voice your jubilation. Let your music swell; Harp and timbrel play. Show in every way joy and exultation.
- 7. "O my people, hear!
 Let my warnings reach you.
 My commands revere!
 Would you but obey,
 not to evil stray.
 Listen as I teach you.

CONFERRAL OF THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF DIVINITY

Graduates: Jacob Baijal Taylor Bredenhof

Jakob Mars Joshua Peters
Zachary VanderPloeg Kevin Wattel
and Tony Zheng (in absentia)

SELLES BOOK AWARD

WORD OF THANKS BY GRADUATING STUDENT

SINGING (standing)

Psalm 134: 1, 3

- 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.
- 3 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. J. Van Vliet, Mrs. D. Alkema, and Mrs. K. Schuurman

PRESENTATION OF SPECIAL MUSIC (during collection)

Mrs. E. Bonura "Speak O Lord"

COLLECTION

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SINGING (seated)

Hymn 15

- Comfort, comfort now my people; speak of peace: so says our God.
 Comfort those who sit in darkness, Mourning under sorrow's load.
 Cry out to Jerusalem of the peace that waits for them; tell her that her sins I cover and her warfare now is over.
- For the herald's voice is crying in the desert far and near, calling all men to repentance, since the kingdom now is here.
 O that warning voice obey!
 Now prepare for God a way.
 Let the valleys rise to meet him, And the hills bow down to greet him.

Then make straight what long was crooked; make the rougher places plain.
 Let your hearts be true and humble, as befits his holy reign.
 For the glory of the Lord now on earth is shed abroad, and all flesh shall see the token that his word is never broken.

CLOSING PRAYER

Dr. J. Temple

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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