

BACCALAUREATE
SERVICE

Honoring the Class of 2022



In
The One Hundred and Ninety-Ninth Year
of the College
May the Twenty-First
Two Thousand and Twenty-Two

HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT

Order of Service

Baccalaureate

The Trinity College Baccalaureate seeks to honor scholars in the community—both students and faculty. This occasion of celebration reflects our liberal arts environment, invites thanksgiving, and includes elements of the rich diversity of spiritual, religious, and ethical thinking embodied by our community. We welcome all students, faculty, and staff, as well as family, friends, and visitors today.

Applause is welcome. Please silence mobile devices.

Our Speaker—Christopher J. Douçot

Christopher J. Douçot has been married to Jacqueline Allen-Douçot since 1992. They have two sons, Micah and Ammon. In 1993, with Brian Kavanagh, they founded the Hartford Catholic Worker community in the North End of Hartford. At HCW, they raised their boys and shared their home with people experiencing homelessness and their table with people experiencing hunger. HCW continues to seek shalom and to right relationships with our neighbors by hosting after-school, Saturday, and summer programming that connects communities separated by race, class, generation, or geography with one another and the natural world through art, sports, crafts, fishing, and time in the Pachaug State Forest. Douçot earned a B.A. in religious studies from the College of the Holy Cross and an M.A. in religion from Yale Divinity School.

Prelude

Ellen Dickinson, carillon

Dua

Rakan Fawaz AlZagha '22

All remain standing as able.

رَبِّ أَوْزِعْنِي أَنْ أَشْكُرَ نِعْمَتَكَ الَّتِي أَنْعَمْتَ عَلَيَّ وَعَلَىٰ وَالِدَيَّ وَأَنْ أَعْمَلَ صَالِحًا تَرْضَاهُ وَأَدْخِلْنِي
بِرَحْمَتِكَ فِي عِبَادِكَ الصَّالِحِينَ

My Lord, enable me to be grateful for Your favor which You have bestowed upon me and upon my parents and to do righteousness of which You approve. And admit me by Your mercy into [the ranks of] Your righteous servants.

Surah An-Naml—27:19

رَبِّ اشْرَحْ لِي صَدْرِي. وَيَسِّرْ لِي أَمْرِي. وَاحْلُلْ عُقْدَةً مِّنْ لِّسَانِي. يَفْقَهُوا قَوْلِي.

O my Lord! Put my heart at peace. And ease my task for me.

O my Lord! Put my heart at peace. And ease my task for me. And make loose the knot from my tongue, that they understand my speech.

Surah Ta'ha—20:25-28

Welcome

The Reverend Marcus George Halley

Invocation

Lisa P. Kassow

Please be seated.

Anthem

The Chapel Singers

Locus Iste Anton Bruckner (1824–96)

Translation: *Holy temple of God the Father;*

A holy place and set apart by God,

Righteousness within its gates.

Shehechyanu

Joshua Jacoves '23

הַזֶּה מְזֹל וּבְעִיגְהוּ וּבְנִימִיקוּ וּבְנִיחֻקָּהּ, מְלוֹעָה, כְּלֵם וּבְנִיחֻקָּהּ יְנִיחֵהּ אֵלָּא יְנִיחֵהּ דְּיִרְבֵּב

Barukh ata adonai elohenu melekh ha'olam, shehecheyanu, v'kiyimanu,

v'higiyanu la'z'man ha'zeh.

Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of all, who has kept us
alive, sustained us, and brought us to this season.

Expression of Thanksgiving

Kayleigh Anne Moses '22

Musical Testimony

Renita Washington '22

Great is your mercy Donald Moen (b. 1950)

Great is Your mercy towards me

Jesus Your love and kindness

I can't do this without crying, towards me

But is Your tender mercy, I can see

Every day after day

Forever faithful towards me

And You're always providing for me

Great is Your mercy towards me

Great is Your grace

Introduction of the Baccalaureate Speaker

The Reverend Marcus George Halley

Karaniya Metta Sutta

Brooke Minolie Samaratunga '22

This is what should be done

By one who is skilled in goodness,

And who knows the path of peace:

Let them be able and upright,

Straightforward and gentle in speech,

Humble and not conceited,

Contented and easily satisfied,

Unburdened with duties and frugal in their ways.

Peaceful and calm and wise and skillful,

Not proud or demanding in nature.

Let them not do the slightest thing

That the wise would later reprove.

Wishing: In gladness and in safety,

May all beings be at ease.

Whatever living beings there may be;

Whether they are weak or strong, omitting none,

The great or the mighty, medium, short or small,

The seen and the unseen,

Those living near and far away,

Those born and to-be-born —

May all beings be at ease!

Let none deceive another,

Or despise any being in any state.

Let none through anger or ill-will

Wish harm upon another.

Even as a mother protects with her life

Her child, her only child,

So with a boundless heart

Should one cherish all living beings;

*Radiating kindness over the entire world:
Spreading upwards to the skies,
And downwards to the depths;
Outwards and unbounded,
Freed from hatred and ill-will.
Whether standing or walking, seated or lying down
Free from drowsiness,
One should sustain this recollection.
This is said to be the sublime abiding.
By not holding to fixed views,
The pure-hearted one, having clarity of vision,
Being freed from all sense desires,
Is not born again into this world.*

Reading from Christian Scripture

1 Corinthians 13:1–13 (NIRV)

Alyssa Emma Maymi '22

Suppose I speak in the languages of human beings or of angels. If I don't have love, I am only a loud gong or a noisy cymbal. Suppose I have the gift of prophecy. Suppose I can understand all the secret things of God and know everything about him. And suppose I have enough faith to move mountains. If I don't have love, I am nothing at all.

Suppose I give everything I have to poor people. And suppose I give myself over to a difficult life so I can brag. If I don't have love, I get nothing at all. Love is patient. Love is kind. It does not want what belongs to others. It does not brag. It is not proud. It does not dishonor other people. It does not look out for its own interests. It does not easily become angry. It does not keep track of other people's wrongs. Love is not happy with evil. But it is full of joy when the truth is spoken. It always protects. It always trusts. It always hopes. It never gives up.

Love never fails. But prophecy will pass away. Speaking in languages that had not been known before will end. And knowledge will pass away. What we know now is not complete. What we prophesy now is not perfect. But when what is complete comes, the things that are not complete will pass away. When I was a child, I talked like a child.

I thought like a child. I had the understanding of a child. When I became a man, I put the ways of childhood behind me. Now we see only a dim likeness of things. It is as if we were seeing them in a foggy mirror. But someday we will see clearly. We will see face to face. What I know now is not complete. But someday I will know completely, just as God knows me completely.

The three most important things to have are faith, hope and love.
But the greatest of them is love.

Address

Christopher J. Douçot

Anthem

The Chapel Singers

The Road Home Stephen Paulus (1949–2014)

*Tell me, where is the road
I can call my own
That I left, that I lost
So long ago?
All these years I have wandered
Oh, when will I know
There's a way, there's a road
That will lead me home
After wind, after rain
When the dark is done
As I wake from a dream
In the gold of day
Through the air there's a calling
From far away
There's a voice I can hear
That will lead me home
Rise up, follow me
Come away, is the call
With the love in your heart*

*As the only song
There is no such beauty
As where you belong
Rise up, follow me
I will lead you home*

Please stand.

Closing Prayer

The Reverend Lloyd Alexander Lewis Jr.

Benediction

The Reverend Marcus George Halley

Go forth into the world in peace.
Be of good courage.
Hold fast that which is good.
Render to no one evil for evil.
Strengthen the fainthearted.
Support the weak.
Help the afflicted.
Show love to everyone.

Love and serve your highest aims, ideals, and values.
And may your journey be blessed with goodness and mercy
until our paths cross again.

Amen.

(Adapted from the 1928 Book of Common Prayer)

The Alma Mater

The Chapel Singers

'Neath the Elms Augustus P. Burgwin, Class of 1882
arr. Christopher Houlihan '09

'Neath the elms of our old Trinity,
'Neath the elms of our dear old Trinity,
No more shall we meet our classmates to greet,
'Neath the elms of our old Trinity,

On the hills of our old Trinity,
In the halls of our dear old Trinity,
There is bright merry cheer, there are friends true and dear,
'Neath the elms of our old Trinity,

College days are from care and sorrow free,
And oft will we seek in memory
those days that are past, far too joyous to last
'Neath the elms of our old Trinity,

Then we'll sing to our old Trinity,
to our dear old Alma Mater Trinity,
We're together today, And tomorrow away,
Far away from our old Trinity.

Retiring Procession

Postlude

Ellen Dickinson, carillon

Participants

Joanne Berger-Sweeney
President and Trinity College Professor of Neuroscience

The Reverend Marcus George Halley
Chaplain and Dean of Spiritual and Religious Life

Lisa P. Kassow
Senior Associate Chaplain and Director of Hillel

Sonia Cardenas
*Dean of the Faculty and Vice President for Academic Affairs
and Professor of Political Science*

Michelle Horsley
Interim Director of Chapel Music

Christopher J. Douçot
Founder, Hartford Catholic Worker

The Reverend Lloyd Alexander Lewis Jr. '69
Honorary Degree Recipient

Rakan Fawaz AlZagha '22
President, Muslim Student Association

Joshua Jacoves '23
President, Trinity Hillel

Kayleigh Anne Moses '22
Past President, Chapel Council

Renita Washington '22

Brooke Minolie Samaratunga '22

Alyssa Emma Maymi '22
Past President, Faith Inspired Students at Trinity

Elizabeth Louise Rousseau '22, *Sacristan, Verger*
The Right Reverend John Selders Jr., *Assistant Dean of Students*
Jennifer Sullivan, *Program Coordinator, Spiritual and Religious Life*
Leah Staffin, *Assistant Director, Hillel*
Ellen Dickinson, *College Carillonneur*

The Chapel Singers

Soprano

Marilyn Brach '24

Julianne N. Freeman '22

Gemma Feltovich '24

Brooke Minolie Samaratunga '22

Ayana Tabo '23, *Secretary*

Mia Ver Pault '24

Alto

Elise Casey '25

Jenny Conant '22, *Marshal*

Naomi Dyer '24

Addison Johnson '24

Grace Sanko '23, *Treasurer*

Jensine Wagner '25

Tenor

William Bundy Jr. '24

Haroldo Nesbeth '22

Ramón Rodriguez '25

Zachary Brian Yankosky Schurman '22, *Vice President*

Bass

Sam Lee '24

James Maciel Andrews '25

Matthew Marottolo '24

Coleman Pontius McJessy '22

Tucker O'Brien '22, *President*

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