

## THE MACE AND THE BANNER

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The College mace symbolizes the authority of the President and is present in all official College convocations. The Montreat mace is of walnut and silver, representing the simplicity and strength of the Cross of Christ, the open Bible, and the lamp of knowledge, transcendent over the seal of the College. The College banner features an arched window opening onto the mountains, framing heaven and the College's Christ-centered education; the globe atop it represents the worldwide scope provided by education and the development of a Christian worldview based upon the Bible's teaching. The books represent the beauty and strength of scholarship and the variety of disciplines offered by the College. The candle embodies the illumination that education and faith bring to the individual and the world.

## MISSION STATEMENT

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Christ-centered, student-focused, service-driven: equipping agents of transformation, renewal, and reconciliation.

## VISION STATEMENT

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Montreat College seeks to become the leading provider of Christ-centered higher education, enriching lives through engagement in its communities and by promoting responsible growth, culture, and spiritual life.

## THE COLLEGE

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Since 1916, Montreat College has established a strong tradition of Christian higher education. With four campuses and a student body of approximately 1,100, the Montreat College of today is continuing in its commitment to the individual student and to the integration of faith and learning.

Montreat provides a strong academic program that is intertwined with preparation for the future through an extraordinary range of leadership, internship, and service opportunities. As the only member in North Carolina of the Washington, D.C.-based Council for Christian Colleges and Universities (CCCCU), Montreat takes seriously its role as a true Christ-centered institution of higher learning.

Montreat College is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to award associate's, bachelor's and master's degrees, by the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education, and by the International Assembly for Collegiate Business Education.



# MONTREAT COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT

In the ninety-first year of the College  
Saturday, the twelfth day of May  
In the year of our Lord two thousand seven  
at two o'clock in the afternoon  
Anderson Auditorium • Montreat, North Carolina



# ORDER OF SERVICE

*Dr. Dan Struble*  
*President of the College*  
*Presiding*

THE PRELUDE

Selections by Fauré, Poulenc, Satie, Debussy, Tailleferre.....Dr. Eunice W. Stackhouse, piano  
Professor of Music

\* THE PROCESSIONAL

Medley of Traditional Scottish Marches..... Montreat Pipe Band

“Amazing Grace” .....John Newton  
Montreat Pipe Band

\* THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Scripture Reading..... Reverend Merle Gardner  
Mother of Shermon Gardner

\* THE INVOCATION AND THE LORD’S PRAYER.....Mr. Stephen L. Woodworth  
College Chaplain

WELCOME ..... Dr. Dan Struble  
President

THE STUDENT ADDRESSES

School of Arts and Sciences ..... Mr. Luke J. Snyder  
School of Professional and Adult Studies ..... Ms. Tamera T. Benton

\* HYMN

“My Hope is Built on Nothing Less” ..... Edward Mote/William Bradbury  
Led by Dr. Robert Boer

Congregation will join in singing:

<i>My hope is built on nothing less</i>	<i>When darkness veils His lovely face,</i>	<i>His oath, His covenant, His blood,</i>
<i>than Jesus’ blood and righteousness;</i>	<i>I rest on His unchanging grace;</i>	<i>Support me in the whelming flood;</i>
<i>I dare not trust the sweetest frame,</i>	<i>In every high and stormy gale,</i>	<i>When all around my soul gives way,</i>
<i>But wholly lean on Jesus’ name.</i>	<i>My anchor holds within the veil.</i>	<i>He then is all my hope and stay.</i>
<i>On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;</i>	<i>On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;</i>	<i>On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;</i>
<i>All other ground is sinking sand.</i>	<i>All other ground is sinking sand.</i>	<i>All other ground is sinking sand.</i>

*When He shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in Him be found,*  
*Dressed in His righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne.*  
*On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand; all other ground is sinking sand.*

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

“*The Applause of Heaven*” ..... Dr. William V. Cain  
former Chaplain, Montreat College

\* Please stand, if able.

# COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

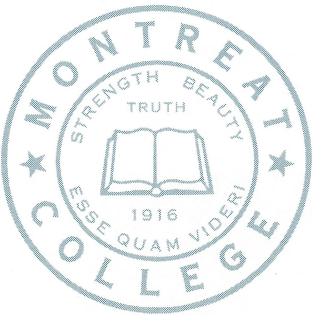
**Dr. William V. Cain**

Bill Cain was born in South Charleston, West Virginia. He is married to his high school sweetheart and has three grown children, one of whom is graduating here today, and one grandson. Dr. Cain has been involved in church planting, church growth, and congregational renewal throughout his 31 years as an ordained Presbyterian pastor. He served as Chaplain at Montreat College from 2001-2005. His current position is Associate Pastor for Evangelism and Outreach at First Presbyterian Church in Orlando.

# HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENT

**Martha Guy**

Martha Guy is an alumna, a current Foundation Board director, a former trustee, and a dear friend of Montreat College. A native of Newland, North Carolina, she went on to study chemistry at UNC-Chapel Hill after graduating from Montreat. During her graduate study in organic chemistry, her father asked her to return home to help manage the family business, Avery County Bank, which he founded. Guy served as president and CEO of the bank for 25 years. Guy currently serves on the local board of directors of First Citizens Bank, which acquired Avery County Bank in 2003. She has also served on numerous educational and nonprofit boards. She is a member of Newland Presbyterian Church, which was formed by her parents in 1915. Guy is committed to excellence in Christian higher education, and Montreat College has been blessed by her vision and leadership as Chair of the Board of Visitors and through her participation on the Board of Trustees from 1984 to 1994 and again from 1995 to 2005.



# THE COLLEGE SEAL

The seal of Montreat College is composed of concentric circles surrounding the open book of learning and the Word of God. The words “Montreat College” encompass the ideals of strength, beauty, and truth above the Latin motto meaning “to be rather than to seem.” The date of the founding of the College, 1916, completes the emblem.



# GRADUATION HONORS

For graduation with honors from a baccalaureate program, students who earn a minimum of 60 hours at Montreat College with a grade point average from 3.50 to 4.00 achieve honors. Baccalaureate students with 45-59 hours at Montreat College and a minimum grade point average of 3.75 graduate “With Distinction.”

Cum Laude .....	3.50 - 3.69
Magna Cum Laude.....	3.70 - 3.84
Summa Cum Laude.....	3.85 - 4.00

## HONOR GRADUATES

**Scholarship Pins**, the highest academic award at Montreat College, are awarded upon graduation from a baccalaureate program to those students who have fulfilled the requirements for Dean’s or Distinguished Scholars’ lists for six consecutive semesters.

Tamera T. Benton  
Debra Leigh Bolton  
Myra Lynn Butler  
Bethany Joy Carr  
Michael Paul Chauvin  
John E. Franklin  
Phillip Arthur Gaddy  
Eugenia LaVonne Jackson  
Tammy Jo Johns

David Sidney Lane, Jr.  
Sharon Lawson Laney  
Joseph Lee Lowdermilk  
Marc Christopher Mathieu  
Debra A. Miller  
Geraldine Childress Plott  
Jami Brooke Price  
Brenda C. Ramsey  
Susan C. Rice

Ashli Grace Roland  
Norma Estelle Stampley  
Gail E. Stashick  
Carrie D. Taylor  
Patricia C. Taylor  
Kenneth Edward Thomas  
Amanda Caitlin Welch

### Faculty Service Award

Timothy Wendell Lewis

### Alpha Chi Honor Society

Laura Ann Berrier  
Jennifer Rae Smith

Ashli Grace Roland  
Amanda Caitlin Welch

### Pinnacle Honor Society

Tammy Davis  
Gerri Grady  
Bobby Hammock  
David Lane  
Cynthia McClain  
Trina Owle  
Geraldine Plott  
Bunita Reynolds  
Gail Stashick  
David Traver  
DesMona Wilson

DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI SERVICE AWARD ..... Dr. Struble & Ms. Jennifer Davis

THE CONFERRING OF HONORARY DEGREE .....Mr. William S. Orser  
Chairman, Board of Trustees

SPECIAL MUSIC  
“Just For Me” ..... Cross Movement  
Jazzion Cathcart & Shermon Gardner

THE PRESENTATION OF GRADUATES .....Dr. Abiola O. Fapetu  
Vice President and Dean of Academics  
Assisted by Mrs. Merrill McCarthy, Assistant Registrar  
Dr. Kevin Gorman, Director of MBA Program

THE CONFERRING OF DEGREES..... Dr. Struble

RECOGNITION OF VALEDICTORIAN AND SALUTATORIAN .....Dr. Fapetu

\* THE COLLEGE HYMN ..... Betty Ferrell/John Dykes

(1)	<i>Montreat, you stand in noble line, With those who strive for heart and mind, Who seek God’s truth to teach and guide, Who lift those virtues which abide. For servanthood, both taught and lived, Our honor and devotion give.</i>	(2)	<i>For learning with integrity, For truth imparted full and free, For loving friendships cherished still, For heritage on which to build; With Christ the Cornerstone of grace, Our Alma Mater we embrace.</i>
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\* THE PRAYER FOR THE GRADUATES..... Dr. Sanjay Rajagopal, Associate Professor of Business  
2006-2007 David L. Parks Distinguished Professor

RESPONSE TO PRAYER  
“A Parting Blessing” ..... J. Jerome Williams  
Ms. Caroline Howard, soprano

\* THE RECESSIONAL AND POSTLUDE  
“The Green Hills of Tyrol” .....John MacLeod  
“Scotland the Brave” ..... Traditional Scottish March  
Montreat Pipe Band

*Please remain in place until the last of our graduates has exited the building. Thank you.  
A reception will be held on the auditorium grounds after the ceremony.*

*The Campus Store, located on the first floor of the Belk Campus Center, will be open today until 4:30 p.m.*

\* *Please stand, if able.*



CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATION

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Tiffany Nicole Johnson  
Joy Queen King  
Sharon Lawson Laney, *Summa Cum Laude*  
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*The Commencement program reflects information determined to be correct at the time of printing but is not the official list of degree candidates certified for graduation.*