

## THE ACADEMIC PROCESSION

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The line of march for the procession follows academic protocol and historical tradition. At today's ceremony, the academic procession begins with the commencement marshal carrying the College banner and the longest-serving faculty member, who serves as mace bearer. Proceeding next are the candidates for graduation, and then the members of the faculty and president's cabinet. At the end of the processional is the platform party, including the chairman of the Board of Trustees, honored guests, invited speakers, and the president, who presides over the ceremony. The line of march is reversed for the recessional, with the official party leading.

## THE COLLEGE

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Since 1916, Montreat College has established a strong tradition of Christian higher education. With four campuses in Asheville, Black Mountain, Charlotte, and Montreat 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, 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.

## THE COLLEGE SEAL

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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.

## 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 a leading provider of Christ-centered higher education, enriching lives through engagement in its communities and by promoting responsible growth, culture, and spiritual life.



# MONTREAT COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT

In the ninety-fourth year of the College  
Saturday, the twelfth day of December  
In the year of our Lord two thousand nine  
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

Early Baroque Keyboard Selections .....Dr. Eunice W. Stackhouse, piano  
Professor of Music

\* THE PROCESSIONAL

Medley of Traditional Scottish Marches .....Mr. E.J. Jones, bagpipes

“Amazing Grace” .....John Newton  
Mr. E.J. Jones

\* THE CALL TO WORSHIP

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” .....Robert Robinson  
Led by Mr. Timothy Wilds  
Instructor of Music

Congregation will join in singing:

Come, thou fount of every blessing,  
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;  
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,  
Call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet,  
Sung by flaming tongues above.  
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,  
Mount of Thy redeeming love.

O to grace how great a debtor  
Daily I'm constrained to be!  
Let Thy goodness, like a fetter,  
Bind my wandering heart to Thee.  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,  
Prone to leave the God I love;  
Here's my heart, O take and seal it,  
Seal it for Thy courts above.

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

WELCOME ..... Dr. Dan Struble  
President

THE STUDENT ADDRESSES

School of Arts and Sciences .....Mr. Peter Councill  
School of Professional and Adult Studies .....Ms. Tamela Miller

\* HYMN

“Take My Life and Let it Be” .....Frances R. Havergal  
Led by Mr. Wilds  
Congregation will join in singing:

Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee.  
Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.  
Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of Thy love.  
Take my feet, and let them be swift and beautiful for Thee.

Take my voice, and let me sing always, only, for my King.  
Take my lips, and let them be filled with messages from Thee.  
Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold.  
Take my intellect, and use every power as Thou shalt choose.

Take my will, and make it Thine; it shall be no longer mine.  
Take my heart, it is Thine own; it shall be Thy royal throne.  
Take my love, my Lord, I pour at Thy feet its treasure store.  
Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for Thee.

\* Please stand, if able

COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

William Franklin Graham IV

William Franklin Graham IV (Will) is the third generation of Grahams to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ under the banner of the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association (BGEA). He is the grandson of Billy Graham and the oldest son of Franklin Graham.

Since beginning his evangelistic ministry with youth-oriented, one-day events in Canada, Will has spoken to tens of thousands in North America, and countless more during outreaches in Australia, India and other parts of Asia. “I’m not trying to be the next Billy Graham; I’m just Will Graham,” says the ordained minister. “I have a burden in my heart to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ. If that’s to an arena full of people or one person on the street, I will do whatever God is calling me to do.”

Will also serves BGEA as assistant director of the Billy Graham Training Center at The Cove in Asheville, NC. The Cove offers multi-day seminars on a variety of Christian subjects and features nationally recognized speakers.

Will has served as a member of the Montreat College Board of Trustees since 2007, and his participation continues a long association of the Graham family with the college; his grandmother, Ruth Bell Graham, graduated from Montreat High School in 1936, and she served on the Board of Trustees from 1972 to 1981 and was then named Trustee Emerita. His father, Franklin Graham, and his aunt, Gigi Graham Foreman, also attended Montreat College. His mother, Jane Austin C. Graham, served on the Montreat College Board from 1989 to 2003 and from 2004 to 2007.

Will earned a Bachelor of Science in Religion from Liberty University and a Master of Divinity from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary. Will and his wife, Kendra, have two daughters, Christine Jane (CJ) and Rachel Austin, and a son, William Franklin Graham V.

THE MACE AND THE BANNER

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 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.

ACADEMIC REGALIA

The academic regalia worn by the faculty are based upon costumes used in fourteenth and fifteenth century universities, particularly Oxford and Cambridge Universities in England. This style of academic dress has been used in the United States since colonial times, and it was standardized by an intercollegiate code in 1895. The doctor gown is distinguished by three velvet stripes on the bell-shaped sleeves, while the master gown’s sleeves are oblong. The hood was originally a practical element of dress, but it evolved into a purely ornamental article, draped over the shoulder and down the back. The doctor hood extends longer than the master hood. The two colors in the satin lining of the hood are those authorized by the college or university, and the color of the velvet border indicates the degree earned as follows:

Arts, Letters, Humanities ..... White  
Business ..... Light Brown  
Communication ..... Maroon  
Divinity/Theology ..... Scarlet  
Education ..... Light Blue  
Engineering ..... Orange  
Fine Arts, Architecture ..... Brown

Law ..... Purple  
Library Science ..... Lemon Yellow  
Music ..... Pink  
Philosophy ..... Dark Blue  
Physical Education ..... Sage Green  
Science/Physics ..... Gold  
Social Work ..... Citron Yellow



# 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

### The Scholarship Pin

**The Scholarship Pin**, the highest academic award at Montreat College, is 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.

Chelsea Rose Bober  
Peter Benjamin Councill  
Jenna Givens  
Katherine Faith Kovarik  
Stephanie Anne Routh  
Jenna Slowiaczek  
Elizabeth Mary Wolyniak

### Alpha Chi Honor Society

Chelsea Bober  
Peter Councill  
Katherine Kovarik  
Jenna Slowiaczek

### Pinnacle Honor Society

Miranda Bennett-King	Todd Jenderseck
Tracey Boyer	Vivian Leak
Kiauna Byers	LaKeisha Mobley
Carl Fuller, Jr.	Cody Muse
Vernita Gladden	Brandy Robinson
James Helms	Tracie Rouse

### Spire Honor Society

Sandy Barnhill	Lora Morgan
Marage Blakeney	Gerald Parris
Aliya Henry	Stephanie Winslow
Sonia Hollie	

### KEYNOTE ADDRESS

“The Brevity of Time” .....Mr. William F. Graham IV  
Member, Board of Trustees

### SPECIAL MUSIC

“The Lord’s Prayer” ..... Robert Hay Malotte  
Ms. Lacy Hudson, soprano

THE PRESENTATION OF GRADUATES ..... Dr. Marshall Flowers  
Senior Vice President and Provost  
Assisted by Ms. Merrill N. McCarthy, Registrar

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

\* THE COLLEGE HYMN ..... Betty Ferrell/John Dykes  
Led by Mr. Wilds

Congregation will join in singing:

<i>Montreat, you stand in noble line,</i>	<i>For learning with integrity,</i>
<i>With those who strive for heart and mind,</i>	<i>For truth imparted full and free,</i>
<i>Who seek God’s truth to teach and guide,</i>	<i>For loving friendships cherished still,</i>
<i>Who lift those virtues which abide.</i>	<i>For heritage on which to build;</i>
<i>For servanthood, both taught and lived,</i>	<i>With Christ the Cornerstone of grace,</i>
<i>Our honor and devotion give.</i>	<i>Our Alma Mater we embrace.</i>

\* THE PRAYER FOR THE GRADUATES ..... Ms. Ruth Gaylor  
Charlotte Regional Director for the School of Professional and Adult Studies

### RESPONSE TO PRAYER

“Gaelic Blessing” .....Clayton J. Schmit  
Ms. Hudson

\* THE RECESSIONAL AND POSTLUDE  
Medley of Traditional Scottish Marches ..... Mr. E.J. Jones

*Please remain in place until the last of our graduates has exited the building. Thank you.*  
*The Campus Store, located on the first floor of the Belk Campus Center, will be open today until 5:00 p.m.*

\* Please stand, if able



# CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATION

## CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE

India Maria Alexander <sup>1</sup>	Juston Wendall Jenkins	Michael Denver Sluder <sup>1</sup>
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Pamela Gale Burris	David Lee Lindsay <sup>1</sup>	Robbie Tyson
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Maritza Bolet-Cafaro	Jonathan Scott Tucker
Peter Benjamin Cuncell, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Elizabeth Mary Wolyniak, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>
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Christopher James Cronin	Sarah Lee Polk
Ashleigh Elisabeth Douglas	Stephanie Anne Routh, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>
Brandy Nicole Dyson	Megan Christine Russ
Jenna Michelle Givens, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	James Michael Wilson Sanders <sup>1</sup>
Ashton Lauren Gregory, <i>Cum Laude</i>	Lauren Ashley Scowcroft, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>
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Julie Jeannette Hetu	Melody Gail Wilhelm

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Kiauna Shalonda Byers, <i>Cum Laude</i>	Tracy Wilson Ratcliffe, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>
Susan Gibbon Crosby, <i>With Distinction</i>	Brandy Lorraine Curtis Robinson, <i>Cum Laude</i>
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Trena Beatrice Hood <sup>1</sup>	Christopher A. Screen, <i>Cum Laude</i>
Sarah Curry Houston <sup>1</sup>	Teresa Marie Seaman <sup>1</sup>
Terry Lynette Huggins	Angela V. Smith, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>
Brela Brenae James	Regina Rae Smith, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>
Todd Alan Jenderseck	Shonna Nykia Stewart
Crystal Lachelle Johnson	Sheva Sylvain-Marsh, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>
Ashley Puckett Kerns	Keith Leander Tate
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Alton Keith Burris	Wanda R. Morrison
Sherill Caldwell	Cody Eugene Muse
Cherece D. Cannie	Andrew Matthew Neill, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>
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Virgie Norman Fewell	Concetta Geneviere Ruff
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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.*

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