

The Mace and the Banner

The College mace symbolizes the authority of the President and is present in all official College ceremonies. 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.

The 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 doctoral 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 doctoral 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:

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| Arts, Letters, Humanities | White | Law | Purple |
| Business | Light Brown | Library Science | Lemon Yellow |
| Communication | Maroon | Music | Pink |
| Divinity/Theology | Scarlet | Nursing | Apricot |
| Education | Light Blue | Philosophy | Dark Blue |
| Environmental Education | Russet/Light Blue | Physical Education | Sage Green |
| Fine Arts | Brown | Psychology | Gold |
| History | White | Science/Physics | Gold |
| | | Social Work | Citron Yellow |

The College

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 850, 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.

The Mission Statement

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

The Vision Statement

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-sixth year of the College
Saturday, the seveneenth day of December
In the year of our Lord two thousand eleven
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

Selected French works from the 18th and 19th centuriesDr. Eunice W. Stackhouse, piano
Professor of Music

* THE PROCESSIONAL

Medley of Traditional Scottish MarchesMr. E.J. Jones, bagpipes

“Amazing Grace”John Newton
Mr. Jones

* THE INVOCATION AND THE LORD’S PRAYERRev. Stephen Woodworth
College Chaplain

* THE SCRIPTURE READINGDr. Cynthia M. Howell
Associate Professor of English

THE WELCOME Dr. Dan Struble
President

THE STUDENT ADDRESSES

School of Professional and Adult Studies Ms. Melissa Baker

School of Arts and Sciences Ms. Emily Myers

THE MONTREAT COLLEGE CHOIR

“Jesus Loves Me” Bradley Phillips

“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms” arranged by Geordie Roberts
Mr. Timothy Wilds, Director
Assistant Professor of Music

THE COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

“Good News for an Urbanizing World”Dr. Robert D. Lupton
Founder and President, FCS Urban Ministries

* THE HYMN

“O Worship the King”Robert Grant/Johann Michael Haydn
Led by Mr. Wilds

Congregation will join in singing:

Verse 1

O worship the King, all glorious above,
O gratefully sing God’s power and God’s love;
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,
Pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.

Verse 2

O tell of God’s might, O sing of God’s grace,
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space,
Whose chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,
And dark is God’s path on the wings of the storm.

Verse 3

Thy bountiful care what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;
It streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,
And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

Verse 4

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail;
Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end,
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend.

* Please stand, if able.

COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

Dr. Robert D. Lupton

Bob Lupton has invested almost 40 years of his life in inner-city Atlanta. In response to a call that he first felt while serving in Vietnam, he left a budding business career to work with delinquent urban youth. Bob, his wife Peggy, and their two sons sold their suburban home and moved into the inner-city where they have lived and served as neighbors among those in need. Their life’s work has been the rebuilding of urban neighborhoods where families can flourish and children can grow into healthy adults.

Bob is a Christian community developer, an entrepreneur who brings together communities of resource with communities of need. Through Focused Community Strategies (FCS) Urban Ministries – a non-profit organization which he founded – he has developed two mixed income subdivisions, organized a multi-racial congregation, started a number of businesses, created housing for hundreds of families, and initiated a wide range of human services in his community. He is the author of the books, *Toxic Charity*, *Theirs is the Kingdom*, *Return Flight*, *Renewing the City*, *Compassion, Justice and the Christian Life* and the widely circulated “Urban Perspectives,” monthly reflections on the Gospel and the poor. Bob has a Ph.D. in Psychology from the University of Georgia. He serves as speaker, strategist, and inspirer with those throughout the nation who seek to establish God’s Shalom in the city.

HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENT

Dr. C. Larry Wilson

Charles Larry Wilson was born on April 28, 1934 in Tryon, North Carolina. He earned his B.S. at Springfield College in 1956 and accepted a teaching and coaching position at Skaneateles High School in New York. He earned his M.S. at the State University of New York at Cortland in 1961 and his Ph.D. from Florida State University in 1971.

Dr. Wilson moved to Montreat in 1965 and began his long and distinguished career in this mountain cove both with the College and the Mountain Retreat Association, where he was Director of Recreation until 1977. He was Chairman of the Health, Physical Education and Recreation Department and Director of Athletics while coaching basketball, baseball, track, cross country, soccer, tennis, and gymnastics. For two years, he was Director of Financial Aid (1977-1979). He served as the Dean of Students from 1973 to 1986 and then as the Vice President/Dean of the College from 1986 to 1993.

Dr. Wilson’s long list of civic and charitable services include membership in the Montreat Presbyterian Church since 1965, where he has served as an Elder and Clerk of the Session; leadership with the Boy Scouts of America; East Buncombe County Chairman of the United Way; member of the Land-of-Sky Regional Council; Chairman, new Charles D. Owen High School Committee; member and past president, Black Mountain Rotary Club; and Commissioner, Town of Montreat.

Among his many accomplishments at Montreat College not cited above: he chaired the committees that built Newell Field and the Belk Campus Center; expanded the physical education and wilderness programs and degrees; conducted the first chapter of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes; expanded athletics from one team to 12; initiated the four-year athletic program and membership in the Tennessee-Virginia Athletic Conference, which is now known as the Appalachian Athletic Conference; and chaired the committee to move the college from a 2-year to a 4-year institution. Dr. Wilson was inducted into the 2000 Cavalier Hall of Fame.

Dr. Wilson says that he has tried to live his life according to the “three M’s: Master, Mission, Mate.” He and his wife, Judy, live in Montreat and have four children and twelve grandchildren. Their daughter, Susan, and her husband, Chuck, have served on the Montreat College Board of Visitors.

THE ACADEMIC PROCESSION

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 with the longest-serving faculty member bearing the mace. 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.

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.

CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATION

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF ASSOCIATE IN SCIENCE

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| Jennifer Perkins Adams ¹ | Dorothy Watts Martin | Michael Fitzgerald Smith ¹ |
| Lynnette Lail Bollinger ¹ | Harriet Eugenia McCauley | Crystal Michele Sparks ¹ |
| Mary Barnwell Brewer | Lucretia Tinisha Neal ¹ | Chastity Dawn Spivey ¹ |
| Annette Brown ¹ | Iris Lucina Perez ¹ | Shavone H. Thomas ¹ |
| Sandra K. Chapman ¹ | Temot Zena Rattler | Rita G. Todd |
| Sparkles Valencia Farrar ¹ | Janell Rattler ¹ | David Ray Warren |
| Glenice Carr Horsley ¹ | Leanne Dirkse Schuller, <i>With Honors</i> | Deanna Shantel Washington ¹ |
| Carmaie M. Huntley ¹ | R. Jerry Shaver ¹ | Laura Denise Waters ¹ |
| Reu Dell Kelley ¹ | Diane Marie Sherlin ¹ | Monica LaVerne Wilson |
| Ernest Eugene Marshall ¹ | LaKissia Nicole Slowiaczek ¹ | |

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS

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| Jonathan Wade Ammons | Claire Marie Dubois, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> | Kimberley Joy Turner, <i>With Distinction</i> |
| Caitlin Brianne DeBoer ² | Krystalynne Rose Schultz, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> | Brandon Dacre Williams, ¹ <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> |

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

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| Autumn Nicole Adams | Ellen Marie Goodman ² | Emily Nicole Myers, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> |
| Chaecie Antoinette Bullock ² | Brock Robert Gudeman | Casey Quarterman |
| Jesse Gray Carmichael, ¹ <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> | Dylan Nathaniel Hensley | Hannah Kaye Reed |
| Brady Isaac Carter | Christopher Ryan Henson | Kimberly Denise Staley ² |
| Allison K. Cornelius, <i>Cum Laude</i> | Daniel Jamar Kennedy ² | Rafael Leonardo Velasquez |
| Matthew Mitchell Davis | Kylie Ellen Knight | Leonard Warren Walker, <i>Cum Laude</i> |
| Evan R. Dykes, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> | Jamie Lynne Lokken | |
| Colton Tyler Gera, <i>Cum Laude</i> | Colby Tyler Monaghan | |

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

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| Melissa Lee Baker, <i>With Distinction</i> | Argentina Robinson Harris ¹ | Rosanna Fox Mulcahy, ¹ <i>Cum Laude</i> |
| Gregory Lee Cathcart, ¹ <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> | Jomo Kenyatta Henry | Wanda Landingham Stewart, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> |
| Samuel Lee Chaney, Jr. | Rufus Carl Kearney | Andrea Lynn Vasiliou, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> |
| Ronald Michael Bradlaw Cobbledick, ¹ <i>Cum Laude</i> | Courtney Brett Keene | Stephanie Logan Winslow, <i>Cum Laude</i> |
| Patricia Baldwin Eller, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> | Tammy Hall McDowell, <i>Cum Laude</i> | Lynne Purser Wooten, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> |

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN MANAGEMENT

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| Sandy Lee Barnhill, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> | Aliya Lateefah Henry, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> |
| Jennifer Clement Belk, <i>Cum Laude</i> | Sonia Corbin Hollie, <i>Cum Laude</i> |
| Kristen Marie Benson, <i>Cum Laude</i> | James Ellis Horton, Jr., <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> |
| Marage Romeo Blakeney, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> | Carolyn Owens Howze ¹ |
| Nakia LaCole Broom | Tabatha Dawn Hunter, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> |
| Pamela Howard Burris | Castell Bernice Hurley Jackson |
| Audrey C. Chisolm ¹ | Brenda Dianne Jennings, ¹ <i>Cum Laude</i> |
| Denise Lorraine Cothorn, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> | Marlene Angela Joshua-Henderson |
| Brenda H. Davis, <i>Cum Laude</i> | Yusha Yvonne King, <i>Cum Laude</i> |
| Rachel Marie Earnhardt, ¹ <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> | Shari Cook Kisamore, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> |
| Marie Elaine Ledbetter Felder, <i>Cum Laude</i> | Melissa Ann McAdams ¹ |
| Matthew David Ferguson, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> | Harley McCorkle |
| Krista Bass Gamble | Katherine Anne Melton |
| Michell Lee Gillespie | Bonita Wilkerson Moffitt ¹ |
| Andrew Wilburn Hamlin, <i>Cum Laude</i> | Jessica DelCarmen Montealegre, <i>Cum Laude</i> |
| Karen Michele Rathbone Harper, ¹ <i>Cum Laude</i> | Tracy Moore ¹ |

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN MANAGEMENT, CONTINUED

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| Mary Bagley Morgan | Thomas John Smith, ¹ <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> |
| Gerald Keith Parris, <i>Cum Laude</i> | Lillie McMullen Taylor ¹ |
| Denise Terrazas Perez ¹ | Ivan Dewayne Thomas, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> |
| Jeffrey John Powers, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> | Cynthia Kelly Thompson, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> |
| Deborah Rice Ramirez, <i>Cum Laude</i> | Robbie Tyson |
| Rene Mario Ramirez, ¹ <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> | Felicia Lavel Holliday W. Washington |
| Victor Alan Ray, ¹ <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> | Megan Ann Wilson, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> |
| Hannah Marie Lalemand Rice, <i>Cum Laude</i> | Hashaleena Nisa Wright |
| Barbara Olivia White Robbins, ¹ <i>Cum Laude</i> | Eric Glenn Woody, ¹ <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> |
| Concetta Genevieve Ruff, <i>Cum Laude</i> | Darlene McBrayer Young, ¹ <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> |
| Kyle Thomas Smith, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> | |

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF ARTS IN EDUCATION

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| Veronica Crawford Breeland ¹ | Lindsey Diane Hensley ¹ | Carrie Sue Rabuck |
| Jonathan Daniel Caskey ¹ | LaQuanda Marie Higgins ¹ | Laura Ann Rahal ¹ |
| Antoinette Plashette Coleman | Brianne Swain Holden ¹ | Erin Bridges Rogers |
| Shelva Regina Davis | Cynthia Joensen ¹ | Laura Elizabeth Stewart ¹ |
| Gray Thomas Donohoe ¹ | Lisa Barrie Levey ¹ | Dustin Barclay Terrel ¹ |
| Melissa Anne Doyle | Kathryn Audrey Martin ¹ | Kristyn Nicole Walgren ¹ |
| Leslie Marie Fendley | Kathleen Marie Pauly ¹ | |
| Amanda L. Foster | Megan A. Pridmore | |

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION

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| Kathryn Carlton Hicks | Kelly Lane Hedgepeth Ibrahim | Tanya Barber Poole |
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CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

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| Jeremy Keith Abee ¹ | Alicia Lynne-Bauer Hebert ¹ | Amber Gillam Moore |
| Bryant Kendrick Alexander | Jessica Jean Linder ¹ | Matthew Daniel Moore ¹ |
| Ismael Escorza Borges | Jeanna Denise Maines ¹ | Carol Jean Schindler |
| Richard Lee Bowling | Matthew Shawn Marlowe | Amy Marie Sheline |
| Amy Elizabeth Cates ¹ | Paul Lewis May | Derrick Michael Snyder |
| Thomas Lane Cathey ¹ | Timothy Chad McBride ¹ | Monica Dorene White |
| Darrin Gregory Duncan | Jennifer Nichole Ward Metcalf ¹ | William David Wilson ¹ |
| Jamel Alan Fayson | Djuana L. Mills ¹ | |

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE IN MANAGEMENT AND LEADERSHIP

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| David Paul Adams ¹ | Lynn Carol Fidler ¹ | Daniel Terry Thorpe ¹ |
| Toni Lynn Chamberlain ¹ | Justin Sean Frye ¹ | Patricia Shelton Wallin ¹ |
| Brooke Anne Davey ¹ | Tracy Heleen Penland ¹ | Julianne Marie Wilson ¹ |
| Octavia Samuels Dunbar | Lauren Carson Roberts ¹ | Eric Steven Wright ¹ |
| Ademola Olufunso Fapetu ¹ | Lora Lea Smathers ¹ | |

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.

¹ Conferred August 2011 ²Pending Conferral May 2012

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GRADUATION HONORS

Montreat College associate and baccalaureate graduates are recognized with honors for achievement of a grade point average from 3.5 to 4.0, having completed a minimum of 60 hours in residence. Baccalaureate students with 45-59 hours earned at Montreat College with a minimum grade point average of 3.75, graduate “With Distinction.” Associate graduates with a grade point average of 3.75 and above are recognized “With Honors” and by wearing gold and white cords. Graduate honors are recognized by wearing gold cords and by the following definitions:

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

The **Scholarship Pin** is awarded to graduates receiving the bachelor’s degree who have fulfilled the requirements for Dean’s List (3.50-3.89 GPA) or Distinguished Scholars’ (3.90 GPA or above) for six consecutive semesters.

- Marage Romeo Blakeney
- Jesse Gray Carmichael
- Patricia Baldwin Eller
- Colton Tyler Gera

Alpha Chi Honor Society membership for the School of Arts and Sciences is based on good reputation and character, rank in the top ten percent of the junior and senior classes, and regular student status at Montreat College for no less than one academic year prior to election.

- Jesse Gray Carmichael
- Krystalynne Rose Schultz
- Kimberley Joy Turner

Pinnacle (bachelor degree) **and Spire** (associate degree) **Honor Societies** for adult students in the School of Professional and Adult Studies grant recognition for scholastic success and for community leadership. Undergraduate students must meet all the following requirements: minimum GPA of 3.5, at least 24 semester credits at Montreat, and a commitment to community service through meaningful and active participation in at least three community projects or organizations during their time as a Montreat College student.

Pinnacle Honor Society

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| Marage Romeo Blakeney | Tabatha Dawn Hunter |
| Gregory Lee Cathcart | Yusha Yvonne King |
| Rachel Marie Earnhardt | Dorothy Watts Martin |
| Patricia Baldwin Eller | Gerald Keith Parris |
| Andrew Wilburn Hamlin | Stephanie Logan Winslow |
| Sonia Corbin Hollie | |

Spire Honor Society

- Dorothy Watts Martin

THE CONFERRAL OF HONORARY DEGREEMr. Bernard H. Wright, Jr.
Chairman, Board of Trustees

THE PRESENTATION OF GRADUATESDr. Marshall Flowers, Jr.
Senior Vice President and Provost
Assisted by Ms. Merrill N. McCarthy, *Registrar*

THE CONFERRAL OF DEGREES Dr. Struble

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

Congregation will join in singing:

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| <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 GRADUATESDr. Andrew J. Bobilya
Associate Professor of Outdoor Education

* THE RECESSIONAL AND THE POSTLUDE
Medley of Traditional Scottish MarchesMr. Jones

Please remain in place until the last graduate has exited Anderson Auditorium. Thank you.

The robes worn by students this year are made from recycled, biodegradable materials.

VIDEO & AUDIO RECORDINGS

*This college event is being video and audio recorded. A DVD or CD** may be ordered through the Campus Store immediately after the event or online at: www.montreat.edu/bookstore. DVDs are \$20.00 and CDs are \$10.00. [**the audio CD only includes Commencement speaker and student addresses]*

PHOTOGRAPHS

*Graduation photos are available for purchase from Sunday Grant Photography.
To order photos, go to <http://www.pictage.com/1161699>.
To contact Sunday Grant directly, email sunday@sundaygrantphotography.com.*

CAMPUS STORE

The Campus Store, located on the first floor of the Belk Campus Center, is open today until 5:00 p.m.

* Please stand, if able.