

THE COLLEGE

Since 1916, Montreat College has established a strong tradition of Christian higher education. With seven campuses in Asheville, Black Mountain, Charlotte, Morganton, Raleigh, Rocky Mount, 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.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Graduation photos are available for purchase from Sunday Grant Photography: www.pictage.com/1325959.

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

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Montreat, NC 28757
www.montreat.edu



MONTREAT COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT

In the ninety-seventh year of the College
Saturday, the fifteenth day of December
In the year of our Lord two thousand twelve
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

The First Noël
Traditional / arr. McMichael

String Trio
Robin Bentley, violin
Caroline Mellard, cello
Dr. Benjamin Smith, violin
Adjunct Professor of Music

Selections by
18th century American composers

Dr. Eunice W. Stackhouse,
piano
Professor of Music

Medley of Traditional Scottish Marches

*THE PROCESSIONAL

Amazing Grace
John Newton

Mr. Connell Sanderson, bagpipes

*THE INVOCATION AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

Rev. Dr. John Ellington
Interim College Chaplain

*THE SCRIPTURE READING

Mrs. Monica Konarski-Fusetti
Instructor of English

THE WELCOME

Dr. Dan Struble
President

THE STUDENT ADDRESSES

School of Professional and Adult Studies
School of Arts and Sciences

Mrs. Debra Woody
Ms. MK Bellamy

THE MONTREAT COLLEGE CHOIR

Jesus Is My Lord, My Master and Savior
composer unknown

Mr. Timothy Wilds, Director
Assistant Professor of Music

Shaped-Note tune: JEWETT (Amazing Grace)
R.F.M. Mann

I Know the Lord Has Laid His Hands On Me
spiritual

THE COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

“Loving God Completely,
Loving Ourselves Correctly,
and Loving Others Compassionately”

Dr. Kenneth Boa
*President of Reflections Ministries
and Author*

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 the 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.

THE MACE AND THE BANNER

Designed and created by Art Professor Emeritus James D. Southerland, M.F.A., Artist-in-Residence

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:

Arts, Letters, Humanities White
BusinessLight Brown
Communication Maroon
Divinity/Theology Scarlet
Education Light Blue
Environmental Education Russet/Light Blue
Fine Arts Brown
History White
Law Purple

Library Science Lemon Yellow
Music Pink
NursingApricot
Philosophy Dark Blue
Physical EducationSage Green
PsychologyGold
Science/PhysicsGold
Social Work.....Citron Yellow

COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER

Dr. Kenneth Boa

Dr. Kenneth “Ken” Boa is engaged in a life-ministry of relational evangelism and discipleship, teaching, writing, and speaking. He holds a bachelor of science degree from Case Institute of Technology, a master of theology degree from Dallas Theological Seminary, a doctorate from New York University, and a doctor of philosophy degree from the University of Oxford in England.

Dr. Boa is the president of Reflections Ministries, an organization that seeks to encourage, teach, and equip people to know Christ, follow Him, become progressively conformed to His image, and reproduce His life in others. He is also the president of Trinity House Publishers, a publishing company that is dedicated to the creation of tools that will help people manifest eternal values in a temporal arena by drawing them into intimacy with God through a better understanding of the culture in which they live each day.

Some of Dr. Boa’s recent publications include *Conformed to His Image*, *20 Compelling Evidences that God Exists*, *Face to Face-Volumes 1 and 2*, *Augustine to Freud*, and *Faith Has its Reasons*.

He is also a contributing editor to *The Open Bible* and *The Leadership Bible*, and the consulting editor of the *Zondervan NASB Study Bible*.

HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENT

Dr. Donald R. Mitchell

*Awarded posthumously
Received by his wife, Mrs. Grace Mitchell*

Dr. Donald R. Mitchell was born and educated in New Zealand where he taught school until moving to Lima, Peru. There he worked at St. Andrews College for nine years. He earned his doctorate from Princeton Theological Seminary in New Jersey, then served as dean at Montreat College in North Carolina, vice president of Wheaton College in Illinois, and president of King College in Bristol, Tennessee. After retirement from King College in 1989, he served as an interim minister for ten Presbyterian and Baptist Churches in Kings Mountain, Gastonia, Charlotte, and Monroe.

Dr. Mitchell was a lifelong student, scholar, and champion of Christian higher education. Under his leadership as dean of Montreat College, the Board of Trustees made a deliberate decision to affirm its commitment to biblical truth and to the promotion of the integration of faith and learning in the classroom. A former student writes, that Dr. Mitchell was a mentor, who, with his wife, Grace, opened their home and hearts to shelter, encourage, and support students. Dr. Mitchell led with wisdom, humility, and above all, a compassionate example. Many enjoyed his lively mind, quick wit, and gentle spirit. He was loved as a preacher, a pastor to all, a strong administrator, and a generous friend.

On May 28, 2011, Dr. Mitchell, age 85, passed away of bone cancer. He is survived by his wife, Grace, two daughters, Marion, of Black Mountain, and Alison Camponi (Montreat alum), a son-in-law, and grandson, all of Salisbury, North Carolina.

*THE HYMN

All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name (CORONATION)
Edward Perronet/Oliver Holden

Led by Mr. Wilds

Verse 1

*All hail the power of Jesus’ name!
Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown Him Lord of all;
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown Him Lord of all!*

Verse 2

*Ye chosen seed of Israel’s race,
Ye ransomed from the fall,
Hail Him who saves you by His grace,
And crown Him Lord of all;
Hail Him who saves you by His grace,
And crown Him Lord of all!*

Verse 3

*Let every kindred, every tribe,
On this terrestrial ball,
To Him all majesty ascribe,
And crown Him Lord of all;
To Him all majesty ascribe,
And crown Him Lord of all!*

Verse 4

*O that with yonder sacred throng
We at His feet may fall!
We’ll join the everlasting song,
And crown Him Lord of all;
We’ll join the everlasting song,
And crown Him Lord of all!*

THE CONFERRAL OF HONORARY DEGREE

Mr. Bernard H. Wright, Jr.
Chairman, Board of Trustees

THE PRESENTATION OF GRADUATES

Dr. Marshall Flowers, Jr.
Senior Vice President and Provost
Assisted by Mrs. Keri Boer
Director of Records and Registration

THE CONFERRAL OF DEGREES

Dr. Struble

*THE COLLEGE HYMN

Betty Ferrell/John Dykes

Led by Mr. Wilds

*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.*

*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.*

*THE PRAYER FOR THE GRADUATES

Dr. Hub Powell
Associate Professor of Business

*THE RECESSIONAL AND THE POSTLUDE

Medley of Traditional Scottish Marches

Mr. Sanderson

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.

Today’s Commencement ceremony is being webcast live and can be viewed at the following link: www.montreat.edu/broadcasts.

CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATION

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE

Kristen Herman Benfield, <i>With Honors</i> ¹	Diego Fernando Maldonado	Jonathan Lee Rowland ²
Daisy Saravella Brewer	Felicia Shantel Oliver ¹	Kutaka Uhuru Ruffin ¹
Melicia A. Harvey	Christina Joy Owen	Connor Louise Southern-Brown
Cheryl Pauling Howard	Regan Lanish Porter	Melvena Rose Swimmer
Valicia Michele Jones ¹	Jarrett Daniel Rhinehart	Leslie Dionne Williams
Sheila Marie Lyles ¹	Adrena Heard Richardson ¹	Sophia Javara Williamson ¹
Everett Lee Lynch ¹	Zarrin Chantol Roseboro	Carey Day Young, <i>With Honors</i> ¹

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS

Ebony Nicole Battle	Nathan Eugene Dimmock	Jason Wayne Myers, <i>Cum Laude</i>
Laura Kristen Bradley	Robert M. Gaddy	Kayla Basto Nielsen
Robert Chase Brouthers, <i>Cum Laude</i>	Jeana Gwen Grindstaff, <i>Cum Laude</i> ¹	
Taylor Patton Cook	Alyssa Marie Kaufman, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Michele Dorsey Allgood, <i>Cum Laude</i>	Steve Larry Getsay	Stephanie Winona O'Shields, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> ¹
Bonita Feaster Awuah, <i>Cum Laude</i> ¹	Susan Shena Giboney, <i>Cum Laude</i>	Nicholas Evan Patton
Kenneth Baeszler, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Ellen Marie Goodman	Paul Nathanael Plunkett ²
Kurt Seeley Baumgarten, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Cynthia Sanders Hall ¹	Mark Anthony Rabon, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>
Mary Katherine Bellamy, <i>Cum Laude</i>	Everlyn F. Harris Wright, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> ¹	Donnie Dennis Rhodes
Ronald Bruce Belvin, Jr., <i>Cum Laude</i> ¹	Sandra Ann Holtz, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Charles Anthony Shepherd ¹
Stephen Scott Bialkowski, <i>Cum Laude</i> ¹	Lisa Ann Hunter, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> ¹	Priscilla Rene Silva
Deborah L. Browning, <i>Cum Laude</i> ¹	Lametria McCree Jackson, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	Ellie Victoria Smith, <i>Cum Laude</i>
John Jason Burch, <i>Cum Laude</i>	Abike Y. Johnson	Kimberly Denise Staley
Joseph L. Butler	Angelyn Denise Johnson, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> ¹	Bruce Stephen Stone ²
Misty Reeder Carpenter, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Walter Clarence Kidd, <i>Cum Laude</i>	Stephanie Margith Irene Stone
Leigh Naves Cathy, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> ¹	Rosalyn Denise Killian, <i>Cum Laude</i> ¹	Stephanie Danette Tanzy ¹
Spencer Ingraham Clark	Curtis Allen Lawrence, Sr.	Marsha Justice Thomas, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> ¹
Veronica Brockmeier Crowe, <i>Cum Laude</i>	Scott David Louis	Christian Rex Tonkins ²
Cynthia Lynn Davis, <i>Cum Laude</i> ¹	Ivy Logan Martin	Cody Adam Walker
Barbara J. Dodge, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> ¹	Seth Rickman McCleary	William Francis Wilkinson, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> ¹
Deborah Jo Dunn	Katherine Hilary McGary	Chenetta Michelle Williams ¹
Haley Marie Eddy	Jamie Renee Mollison, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Craig Anthony Wilson
Lauren Ashley Edwards, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Terrell Mosley ¹	Nathanael Shane Wise, <i>Cum Laude</i> ¹
Althea D. Gaston ²	Sandra Denise Norville, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> ¹	Debra Miller Woody, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Delores Banks	Courtney McRae Harris, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	Justina Denise Muniz
David John Bostick, <i>Cum Laude</i>	Cassandra Carroll Hill, <i>Cum Laude</i>	Mark Stephen Taylor
Christopher G. Epley, <i>Cum Laude</i>	Stacey Lee Johnson ¹	Brittany Combest Thames, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> ¹
Ashley Wilson Harkrader, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	William Gray Mouille, <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	David Ray Warren, <i>Cum Laude</i>

¹Conferred August 2012

²Pending Conferral in May 2013

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION

Allison Bryant Brown ¹	Emily Joy Dunkerton	Elsie L. Lee
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CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE IN MANAGEMENT AND LEADERSHIP

Yvonne Lucille Brown	Kiauna Shalonda Byers	Virgie Norman Fewell
Pamela Lindsay Jones		

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The listing of Candidates for Graduation reflects information determined to be correct at the time of printing, but may not be the official list of degree candidates certified for graduation.

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. Baccalaureate degree 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’ List (3.90 GPA or above) for six consecutive semesters.

Lauren Edwards

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.

Lauren Edwards

Pinnacle (bachelor degree) and **Spire** (associate degree) **Honor Societies** for 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 College, 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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Bonita Feaster Awuah
Misty Reeder Carpenter
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Angelyn Denise Johnson
Rosalyn Denise Killian
Sandra Denise Norville
Debra Miller Woody

Spire Honor Society

Kristen Herman Benfield
Diego Fernando Maldonado
Connor Louise Southern-Brown