

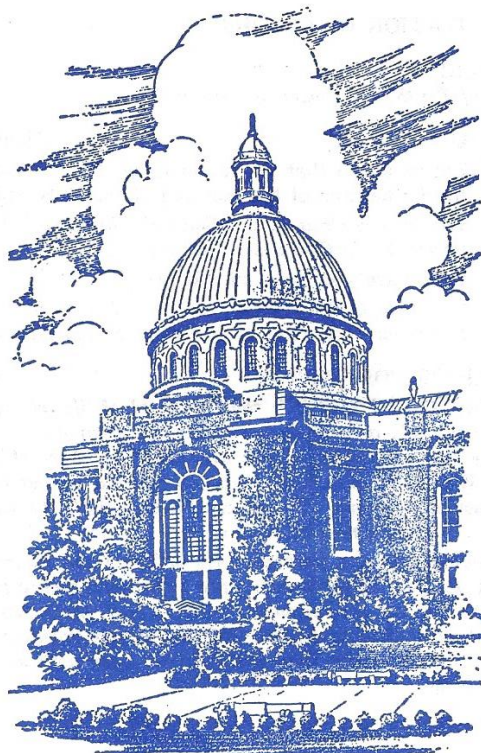
Protestant Baccalaureate Service

FOR THE CLASS OF 1980

United States Naval Academy Chapel

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The Naval Academy Protestant Service

Only he deserves power who every day justifies it.

—Dag Hammarskjöld

Order of Worship

THE ORGAN PRELUDE

"Te Deum"

James Dale

Jean Langlais

THE CHURCH CALL

MU 1 Larry Stone, USN

*THE PRESENTATION OF COLORS

*THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"O God of Truth, the Power of Nations"

No. 199

Toulon

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Chaplain Burt

Chaplain: Let us affirm that we gather as we live, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: *We are the Church, the Body of Christ, called and committed to do God's work in God's world.*

Chaplain: Why have you come to this place?

People: *To know God's presence, to hear His word for us, and to prepare ourselves to live as free men and women.*

†THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We confess, O God, that it is the threshold of life which stirs our deepest anxieties. We are concerned about the unknown . . . we are frightened by the untried . . . we are upset by those things never experienced. We would prefer our world turned out by our design and within our own dimensions. We are comfortable with the gouge, with the routine . . . with a no risk style of life.

But we admit that is a faithless form of living and contrary to our call in Christ. Forgive us for wanting life to be safe, secure and stable. Forgive us for making commitments without cost, plans without consequence, and work without hazard. Forgive us our faithlessness . . . when You have been more than faithful . . . through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

†THE PROMISES OF GOD AND LORD'S PRAYER

*THE VENITE (Psalm 95) & GLORIA PATRI (Choir & Congregation)

(Congregation please sing verses in italics.)

O come, let us sing unto the Lord, let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.

Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving; and show ourselves glad in him with Psalms.

For the Lord is a great God; and a great King above all gods.

In His hand are all the corners of the earth; and the strength of the hills is His also.

The sea is His, and He made it; and His hands prepared the dry land.

O come let us worship and fall down, and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For He is the Lord our God; and we are the people of His pasture, and the Sheep of His hand.

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; let the whole earth stand in awe of Him.

For He cometh, for He cometh to judge the earth; and with righteousness to judge the world, and the peoples with His truth.

THE EPISTLE LESSON

Romans 12:1-14

Midn 1/c Thomas Sloan, USN

THE ANTHEM

The Antiphonal Choir

"Come, Let us Join our Cheerful Song"

Krapf

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 22:15-33

Rear Admiral William P. Lawrence, USN

*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost; born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.—Amen.

THE CALL TO PRAYER

Chaplain: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Chaplain: Let us pray . . .

†THE PRAYERS

Chaplain Pierce

The Pastoral Prayer

The Prayer for the Naval Academy

The Midshipmen's Prayer

Midn 1/c Dan Herrscher, USN

Almighty Father, whose way is in the sea, whose paths are in the great waters, whose command is over all and whose love never faileth; Let me be aware of Thy presence and obedient to Thy will. Keep me true to my best self, guarding me against dishonesty in purpose and in deed, and helping me so to live that I can stand unashamed and unafraid before my shipmates, my loved ones, and Thee. Protect those in whose love I live. Give me the will to do my best and to accept my share of responsibilities with a strong heart and a cheerful mind. Make me considerate of those entrusted to my leadership and faithful to the duties my country has entrusted in me. Let my uniform remind me daily of the traditions of the Service of which I am a part. If I am inclined to doubt, steady my faith; if I am tempted, make me strong to resist; if I should miss the mark, give me courage to try again. Guide me with the light of truth and keep before me the life of Him by whose example and help I trust to obtain the answer to my prayer, Jesus Christ our Lord.—Amen.

THE CORINTHIAN BLESSING

II Corinthians 13:14

*THE HYMN OF PREPARATION

No. 437

"Faith of Our Fathers"

St. Catherine

THE BACCALAUREATE SERMON—	Chaplain Bedingfield
THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM <i>“Behold Now Praise the Lord”</i>	The Chapel Choir Titcomb
†PRAYER FOR NAVY & MARINE CORPS	Chaplain Black
THE PRAYER RESPONSE <i>“Eternal Father”</i> (1st stanza, congregation)	No. 196 Melita
*THE RETREAT OF COLORS	
THE RECESSIONAL HYMN <i>“America the Beautiful”</i>	No. 200 Materna
†THE BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE	
THE ORGAN POSTLUDE <i>“Grand Choeur en Dialogue”</i>	James Dale Eugene Gigout

* The congregation standing.

† The congregation seated or kneeling for prayer.

Please keep center aisle clear until the Superintendent, Commandant and Academic Dean and their parties depart chapel.

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WELCOME

A special welcome to the parents, friends and families of the Class of '80. May the joy of this special week be a lasting memory and blessing always.

ABOUT TODAY'S SERVICE

The Divine Service in which we share this morning is one that has evolved gradually since the establishment of the Naval Academy in 1845. Many of the liturgical elements of the service are quite familiar to all Protestant Churches, while others are unique to the Academy Chapel. The Prayer for the Naval Academy was introduced by Chaplain H. H. Clark, Senior Chaplain, 1896-1911. The Prayer for Midshipmen was written by Chaplain W. N. Thomas, Senior Chaplain, 1933-1945. The tradition of including the Navy Hymn (*“Eternal Father Strong to Save . . .”*) in the Order of Worship began in 1879 with Lieutenant Commander C. J. Train, USN, who at that time directed the Midshipmen's Choir. An interesting part of our worship is the dipping of our country's Colors before the Altar. In similar manner the Church Pennant is flown above the National Ensign when Divine Services are held at sea. These acts are symbolic of the priority of allegiance we all owe to Almighty God—the one and only power to whom our nation is subject.

As the 1145 Protestant Divine Service follows closely upon the conclusion of the Baccalaureate Service may we ask that the congregation exit by all available doors.

ORGAN RECITAL

This afternoon at 1500 there will be a demonstration of the Chapel pipe organ by Chapel Organist James Dale. Following a brief description of the organ and its history, Mr. Dale will present a “Pops” concert featuring works by Bach, Vierne, Debussy, Lemare, and Tchaikovsky. The public is cordially invited to attend.