



CONVOCATION & CELEBRATION
FOR THE CONFERRING OF
CERTIFICATES, DIPLOMAS & DEGREES



MAY 11TH, 2021
SPECIAL ONLINE PRESENTATION
VANCOUVER, BC

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THANK-YOU

Vancouver School of Theology is grateful to everyone who shared in the leadership in today's Convocation ceremony. VST gives special thanks to this evening's musicians: music director Lonnie Delisle, musicians Rupert Lang, Santa J. Ono and Calvin Yang, singers Kim Hardy, Lucy Smith, Margaret Ferguson, Deirdre Rogers, Bruce Hoffman, Ray Horst, Byron Hanson, Jake Gramit, Sabrielle McCurdy-Foreman, Jason Nickel and Lindsay Warnock. Convocation this year required a special measure of coordination and resourcefulness. Many thanks to Anita Fast, Registrar, Hunter Mueller, IT Manager, and Ian Sheh, Creative Officer, who gathered and produced the convocation recording.

The School offers degree programs for those wishing to study full-time or part-time to enhance and develop their lay and ordained ministries in public and pastoral leadership, or to further their academic study at the basic or advanced levels. The Master of Divinity by Extension is the first ATS accredited program in North America that enables Indigenous students to study and learn in their home communities.

VST's variety of courses and seminars can be audited, or taken for certificate, degree or diploma credit. Workshops, public lectures, and guest speakers from all over the world offer exciting continuing education opportunities for people of all ages and interests. Watch our website for the latest information, www.vst.edu.

VST is accredited by The Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada (ATS), and holds the Educational Quality Assurance designation from the British Columbia Ministry of Advanced Education. The School is affiliated with the University of British Columbia and is located on the university's campus.

CONVOCATION

The Board of Governors, faculty and graduands hope this evening will represent a celebration of readiness for ministry, academic achievement and commitment to the mission of Jesus Christ in the world. The partnership of families, friends, churches, Indigenous and other religious communities is gratefully acknowledged.

GATHERING

PRELUDE - I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

by Rupert Lang

Ensemble: Kim Hardy, Lucy Smith, Margaret Ferguson, Deirdre Rogers, Bruce Hoffman, Ray Horst, Byron Hanson & Jake Gramit

WELCOME TO MUSQUEAM TERRITORY

Melaney Gleeson-Lyall (Point)
Musqueam, Coast Salish

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Rev. Dr. Raymond Aldred

THANKS FROM THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD

Michael Francis

HYMN - WHEN IN OUR MUSIC GOD IS GLORIFIED

Lyrics: Fred Pratt Green © 1972 Hope Publishing Company

Music: “Engelberg” tune by Charles Villiers Stanford (1904)

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Rev. Dr. Richard Topping

PROCLAMATION

READING - JOHN 6:24-35

Chanil Lee

INTRODUCTION OF CONVOCATION SPEAKER

Martha Cameron

CONVOCATION ADDRESS

Manna in the Wilderness

Rev. Professor Deborah van Deusen Hunsinger

MUSICAL REFLECTION

PRELUDE FROM FIVE PIECES FOR 2 VIOLINS AND PIANO

By Dmitri Shostakovich

Cello: Santa J. Ono

AWARDING OF CERTIFICATES, DIPLOMAS, & DEGREES

Mr. Iain Black (Chancellor) & Ms. Anita Fast (Registrar) presiding.

SAUDER SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

CERTIFICATE IN LEADERSHIP EXCELLENCE 2020 & 2021

Jason Byassee Marie Paul Lydia Ruenzel

Roberto DeSandoli Jonathan Pinkney Jennifer Sharlow

Janet Eastwood Martin Pommerenke Jason Wood

Frances Kitson Gail Rodger Avery Paxton Wrenne

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DIPLOMA IN DENOMINATIONAL STUDIES

Chanil Lee Shin Hwang

Seungho Sean Lee

DIPLOMA IN THEOLOGICAL STUDIES

Frederick Kofi Ametepé Hokani Paul

Jae Eun Moon

DIPLOMA IN INDIGENOUS AND INTERRELIGIOUS STUDIES

Lauren Theresa Mosadum Randall Sanders

MASTER OF ARTS IN INDIGENOUS AND INTERRELIGIOUS STUDIES

Katherine Margaret Fisher

MASTER OF ARTS IN THEOLOGICAL STUDIES

Samuel Andri Shauna Kubossek

Janet Elizabeth Robbins Eastwood James McDevitt

Shihwa Hwang-Meza

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Leslie Buerschaper Pam Martin

Alisha Yvonne Fung Cara Jacqueline Pryor

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Gabrielle Katrina Heidinger Murray K. Pruden

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Reverend Douglas Goodwin (Citation presented by Ed Searcy)

Professor Santa J. Ono (Citation presented by Gail Murphy)

Rabbi Marcia Prager (Citation presented by Laura Duhan Kaplan)

DOCTOR OF DIVINITY (HONORIS CAUSA) 2021

Mr. Rupert Lang (Citation by Peter Elliott)

PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Murray Pruden & Robin Galey

SENDING FORTH

SUNG BLESSING - THE PEACE OF GOD

BY DAVID SQUIRES

Quartet: Sabrielle McCurdy Foreman, Lindsay Warnock,
Jason Nickel & Lonnie Delisle

BENEDICTION AND BLESSING

Rev. Dr. Patricia Dutcher-Walls

POSTLUDE - ALLELUIA PSALLAT

by Peter Aston

Rupert Lang, organ

RECEPTION

PLEASE JOIN THE GRADUATES AT A VIRTUAL RECEPTION IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING CONVOCATION