THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

for the

OPENING OF THE 138th ACADEMIC YEAR

of

CONCORDIA SEMINARY

ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

with the Installation of

Francis C. Rossow

Richard J. Schultz

Gregory K. Smith



September 3, 1976

8:00 p.m.

Wyneken Chapel

In Nomine Jesu Christi

THE ORGAN VOLUNTARIES

Sept Danceries (Selected)

Trumpet and Organ
Claude Gerraise
arranged by Marie-Claire Alain

Concerto in G Major

J. S. Bach

THE ORGAN PRELUDE AND PROCESSIONAL

Concerto in B^b for Trumpets and Orchestra (1st movement)

Antonio Vivaldi arranged by G. F. Ghedini

THE HYMN OF PRAISE

- 1. All praise to God, who reigns above, The God of all creation, The God of wonders, pow'r, and love, The God of our salvation!
 With healing balm my soul He fills, The God who every sorrow stills, To God all praise and glory!
- 2. What God's almighty pow'r hath made His gracious mercy keepeth; By morning dawn or evening shade His watchful eye ne'er sleepeth; Within the kingdom of His might, Lo, all is just and all is right, To God all praise and glory!
- 3. I cried to Him in time of need:
 Lord God, oh, hear my calling!
 For death He gave me life indeed
 And kept my feet from falling.
 For this my thanks shall endless be;
 Oh, thank Him, thank our God, with me, —
 To God all praise and glory!

"All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above"

- 4. The Lord forsaketh not His flock, His chosen generation; He is their Refuge and their Rock, Their Peace and their Salvation.
 As with a mother's tender hand He leads His own, His chosen band, To God all praise and glory!
- 5. Ye who confess Christ's holy name, To God give praise and glory!
 Ye who the Father's power proclaim, To God give praise and glory!
 All idols under foot be trod,
 The Lord is God! The Lord is God!
 To God all praise and glory!
- 6. Then come before His presence now And banish fear and sadness;
 To your Redeemer pay your vow And sing with joy and gladness:
 Though great distress my soul befell,
 The Lord, my God, did all things well, —
 To God all praise and glory!

THE VERSICLES AND GLORIA PATRI

V: O Lord, open Thou my lips.

R: And my mouth shall show forth Thy praise.

V: Make haste, O God, to deliver me.

R: Make haste to help me, O Lord.
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:
world without end. Amen. Hallelujah!

Praise the Lord! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

Great are the works of the Lord, studied by all who have pleasure in them.

Full of honor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures for ever.

He has caused his wonderful works to be remembered;

the Lord is gracious and merciful.

He provides food for those who fear him;

he is ever mindful of his covenant.

He has shown his people the power of his works, in giving them the heritage of the nations.

The works of his hands are faithful and just;

all his precepts are trustworthy,

they are established for ever and ever,

to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.

He sent redemption to his people;

he has commanded his covenant for ever. Holy and terrible is his name!

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; a good understanding have all those who practice it. His praise endures for ever!

Glory be to the Father. . .

THE LECTIONS

The Old Testament Lesson

Isaiah 6:6-8

V: But Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us.

R: Thanks be to Thee, O Lord!

The New Testament Lesson

2 Peter 1:2-11

V: But Thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us.

R: Thanks be to Thee, O Lord!

THE HYMN OF CONSECRATION

1. One Thy Light, the Temple filling, Holy, Holy, Holy Three! Meanest men and brightest angels Wait alike the word from Thee; Highest musings, lowliest worship, Must their preparation be.

"One Thy Light, the Temple Filling"

2. Now Thou speakest, hear we trembling, -From the glory comes a voice, Who accepts th' Almighty's mission? Who will make Christ's work his choice? Who for us proclaim to sinners, Turn, believe, endure, rejoice?

- 3. Here are we, Redeemer, send us! But because Thy work is fire And our lips unclean and earthly, Breathe no breath of high desire, Send Thy seraph from the altar, Veiled, but in his bright attire.
- 4. Cause him, Lord, to fly full swiftly With the mystic coal in hand, Sin-consuming, soul-transforming Faith and love will understand. Touch our lips, Thou wondrous Mercy, With Thine own keen healing brand.
- 5. Thou didst come that fire to kindle; Fain would we Thy torches prove, Far and wide Thy beacons lighting With th' undying spark of love.
 Only feed our flame, we pray Thee, With Thy breathings from above.
- 6. Now to God, the soul's Creator, To His Word and Wisdom sure, To His all-enlightening Spirit, Patron of the frail and poor, Three in One, be praise and glory Here and while the heavens endure.

THE SERMON

"The Prize is Right!"

Phil. 3:13-14

Forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

THE OFFERING (for our Lord's work at Concordia Seminary)

The Voluntary

Sonata in B^b for Trumpet and Strings, Henry Purcell

THE RITE OF INSTALLATION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE OPENING OF THE ACADEMIC YEAR

THE SALUTATION

V: The Lord be with you.

R: And with thy spirit.

THE PRAYER FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR

R: Amen

THE COLLECT FOR PEACE

R: Amen.

THE BENEDICAMUS

V: Bless we the Lord.

R: Thanks be to God.

THE BENEDICTION

R: Amen.

THE CLOSING HYMN

"God the Father, Be Our Stay"

1. God the Father, be our Stay;

2. Jesus Christ, be Thou our Stay; etc.

Oh, let us perish never! Cleanse us from our sins, we pray,

3. Holy Ghost, be Thou our Stay; etc.

And grant us life forever.

Keep us from the Evil One; Uphold our faith most holy, Grant us to trust Thee solely With humble hearts and lowly. Let us put God's armor on, With all true Christians running

Our heav'nly race and shunning The devil's wiles and cunning. Amen, Amen, this be done; So sing we, Hallelujah!

THE ORGAN POSTLUDE AND RECESSIONAL

Trumpet Finale (from the Baroque Suite)

Domenico Gabrieli Suite setting by Drummond Wolff

Soli Deo Gloria!

The Officiants:

The Rev. Herman C. Scherer, President

Missouri District of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

The Rev. Ewald J. Otto Chairman, Board of Control

The Rev. Prof. Roland A. Hopmann

Dean of Student Affairs

The Preacher:

The Rev. Prof. Ralph A. Bohlmann, President

The Organist:

Allen T. Goebbert, Second-year Seminarian

The Trumpeters:

Mrs. Nelda S. Cameron

David Winningham, Fourth-year Seminarian

The Crucifer:

Theodore W. Asta, Second-year Seminarian

The Banner Bearer:

Richard L. Burk, Second-year Seminarian

Everyone is invited to an informal reception after the service in the seminary Quadrangle. Refreshments will be served by the Seminary Guild.

FRANCIS C. ROSSOW, M.Div., M.A. Professor of Practical Theology, was graduated from Concordia College, Fort Wayne, Indiana, in 1944, and from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, in 1948. In 1959 he was awarded the M.A. degree from Michigan State University. His first call was as pastor of the parishes at Crosby, Fortuna, and Wildrose, North Dakota, from 1948 to 1949. The following ten years, 1949-59, he was pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church in Saginaw, Michigan. In 1959 he accepted the call to Concordia Senior College in Fort Wayne, Indiana, where he served as Professor of English, as Resident Counselor, and for the past year as Acting Dean of Students. In the Indiana District he served on the Commission on Fraternal Organizations for a number of years. Professor Rossow is the author of Broad is the Way, published in 1971. Twice he was named an Outstanding Educator of America. Mrs. Rossow is the former Eunice Bernthal. They are the parents of five children: Barbara Kay, Jane Marie, Susan Dorothy, Robert Francis, and James Steven.

RICHARD J. SCHULTZ, M.Ed., D.D., Professor of Practical Theology, is a 1940 graduate of Concordia College, Fort Wayne, Indiana, and a January, 1945 graduate of Concordia Seminary, St. Louis. He was awarded the M.Ed. degree from the University of Illinois in 1968. In 1970 Concordia Seminary awarded him the honorary Doctor of Divinity degree. From 1945 to 1947 he was Missionary-at-large for the English District, based at Los Angeles, California. Thereafter he was pastor of Pilgrim Church in Marysville, Michigan, from 1947 to 1953, and of St. John's Church in Orchard Park, New York from 1953 to 1962. For the following three years he served as Executive Secretary of Parish Education of the Eastern District until he accepted the call to Concordia Theological Seminary, Springfield, Illinois, in 1965. After serving on that school's faculty for five years, he was elected president of the institution in 1970. In 1974 he became pastor of Village Lutheran Church in Forked River, New Jersey, and Mission Developer for the New Jersey District. Dr. Schultz has been a member of the ALC/LCMS Commission on Fellowship, the Division of Theological Studies of the Lutheran Council in the USA, and the Commission on Theology and Church Relations. His published works include This is the Christian Faith, The Christian's Mission, and Now, the Good News, Dr. Schultz is married to the former Marion Deipser. Their children are: Mrs. Gloria Tribbett, Mrs. Diane Tribbett, Mrs. Barbara Corea, Susan Schultz, and Captain Frederick Boecher.

GREGORY K. SMITH, M.Div., Administrative Assistant, was graduated from Concordia College, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, in 1969, and from Concordia Senior College, Fort Wayne, Indiana, in 1971. Upon graduation from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, in 1975, he received the M.Div. degree. During the past school year he was enrolled in the Seminary's School for Graduate Studies; he is currently a candidate for the S.T.M. degree. Rev. Smith was ordained in his home congregation, Pilgrim Lutheran Church in Decatur, Illinois, on June 1, 1975. During the past year he has been a pastoral assistant at Zion Lutheran Church in Bunker Hill, Illinois.