

WELCOME SERVICE



Brescia University
Fall Convocation 2020



INTRODUCTION

[STAND]

Leader: O God, (+) open our lips,

All: – **and our mouths will proclaim your praise.**

Leader: As this day moves into the afternoon, we join our prayers to those of Christ, our heavenly high priest. Glory be to the eternal God, to Jesus Christ, and to the Holy Spirit among us—

All: – **both now and forever. Amen. Alleluia!**

HYMN: *Please listen but do not sing unless it is safe to do so.*

We Gather Together



1. We gath - er to - geth - er to ask the Lord's bless - ing; He
2. Be - side us to guide us, our God with us join - ing, Or -
3. We all do ex - tol Thee, Thou Lead - er tri - um - phant, And



1. chas - tens and has - tens His will to make known; The
2. dain - ing, main - tain - ing His king - dom di - vine; So
3. pray that Thou still our De - fend - er wilt be. Let



1. wick - ed op - press - ing now cease___ from dis - tress - ing: Sing
2. from the be - gin - ning the fight___ we were win - ning: Thou,
3. Thy con - gre - ga - tion es - cape___ trib - u - la - tion: Thy



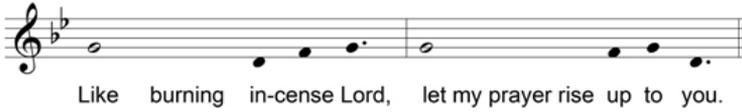
1. prais - es to His name;___ He for - gets not His own.
2. Lord, wast on our side, all___ glo - ry be Thine!
3. name be ev - er praised;___ O___ Lord, make us free!

Text: 12 11 12 11; *Wilt heden nu treden*; tr. by Theodore Baker, 1851-1934, alt.

Music: KREMSER, *Valerius' Nederlandsche Gebedenclanck*, Haarlem, 1626.

SIT while antiphon is sung by cantor.

Antiphon 1: Cantor



Psalm 133

Right Side: How good and how pleasant it is,
when friends and families dwell
together as one!

Left Side: Like fine oil on the head,
running down upon the beard,
Upon the beard of Aaron,
upon the collar of his robe.

Right Side: Like dew of Hermon coming down
upon the mountains of Zion.
There the Lord has decreed a blessing,
Life for evermore!

Left Side: Glory be to the eternal God, to Jesus
Christ,
and to the Holy Spirit among us--

Right Side: --both now and forever. Amen.
Repeat Canticle

Reading: Phil 2:1-3; Saint Angela Merici's Last Counsel: 1-2, 15, 20.

A Reading from Philippians and the Last Counsel of Saint Angela Merici.

“If there is any encouragement in Christ, any solace in love, any participation in the Spirit, any compassion and mercy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, with the same love, united in heart.... Humbly regard others as more important than yourselves...”

“My last word to you, by which I implore you even with my blood, is that you live in harmony, united together, all of one heart and one will. Be bound to one another by the bond of charity, esteeming each other, helping each other, bearing with each other in Jesus Christ. ...For I tell you, living all together thus united in heart, you will be like a mighty fortress, or a tower impregnable...And I shall always be in your midst, helping your prayers.

The Word of God and Saint Angela.

– **Thanks be to God.**

Reflection: Fr. Larry Hostetter, President of Brescia University

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Please remain seated.

Unity Ritual – From Many Places, One Class of 2024

Please Stand

Response: (Rom. 12:6a; St. Angela Merici, Tenth Legacy #12)

- We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, but we, who are many, are one body in Christ.
– **We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, but we, who are many, are one body in Christ.**
- Loving each other and living in harmony together are a sure sign that we are walking the path right and pleasing to God.
– **We, who are many, are one body in Christ.**
- Glory be to the eternal God, to Jesus Christ, and to the Holy Spirit among us.
– **We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, but we, who are many, are one body in Christ.**

Remain Standing

Canticle of Mary: *Cantor will sing antiphon.*



Right: I praise you, O God, with my whole being.
My spirit delights in you, God of Blessing, for
you love me in my lowliness.
Who am I to merit your attention?

Left: Every generation will call me blessed, for you
bestow on me great favors. From age to age
you show your tenderness to those who
hold your name in awe.

Right: In your strength you unmask all pride,
stripping the proud of their conceit. You
depose the powerful;
the poor and humble you uphold.

Right: You give in great abundance to the hungry
and send the rich away with empty hands.
Your mercy extends throughout the ages,
just as you once promised.

Right: Glory be to the eternal God,
to Jesus Christ,
and to the Holy Spirit among us

Left: --both now and forever. Amen.

Our Father

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in
heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us
our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
Amen.

Closing Prayer:

God of the nations, all are invited to your table, and in your
family no one is a stranger. Confirm in unity and truth the
people you gather together today. Bind us in mutual love
and direct our minds and hearts as we search for Truth,
that our prayer in Christ's name may be pleasing to you.
Grant this through that same Jesus Christ, who lives and
reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever
and ever.

--AMEN.

PLEASE BE SEATED

FINAL BLESSING

Alma Mater (*Please Listen*)

By James Massie, class of 1970

Bres - cia, Bres - cia al - ma ma - ter, Keep us faith - ful
to thine hon - or. Sci - ence, Cul - ture, and Re - li - gion.
Light our way. So - li De - o
Glo - ria. On - - - ward and up - ward
truth and hon - or light and learn - ing be with us for
e - ver on - ward Bres - cia, fill our spir - it
with the fire of life's en - deav - ors. In our heart, dear
Bres - cia love thee for - e - ver.

The image shows a musical score for the song "Alma Mater (Please Listen)". It consists of eight staves of music in 4/4 time, with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the notes. The score includes various musical notations such as quarter notes, eighth notes, and rests, along with phrasing slurs and a fermata over the final note of the last line.