THE INAUGURATION OF
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Fourth President of Dordt College
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OCTOBER 19, 2012
ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.
B.J. HAAN AUDITORIUM
CEREMONY

Prelude:  **Now Thank We All Our God**  
J. S. Bach/V. Fox

**Presto from Organ Concerto No. V**  
G. F. Handel

**Chorus and Fanfare from Ihr lieben Christus, freut euch nun**  
D. Buxtehude

Procession:  **Trumpet March in D**  
William P. Rowan

Charles Veenstra, Ph.D., Marshal  
Board of Trustees

Delegates from Learned Societies and Institutions of Higher Learning  
Members of the Transition Team  
Faculty Members  
Platform Party

An Anthem of Praise  **Praise to the Lord**  
Arr. F. Melius Christiansen  
Text: Joachim Neander  
Tune: Ernewerten Gesangbuch

Welcome  
Wayne Kobes, Ph.D.  
*Chair of Faculty*

Prayer  
Aaron Baart, M.Div.  
*Dean of Chapel*

*A Psalm of Praise*

Leader:  Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!
All:  You have set your glory in the heavens.

Leader:  When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,  
the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,
All:  what is mankind that you are mindful of them,  
human beings that you care for them?

Leader:  You have made us a little lower than the angels,
All:  and crowned us with glory and honor.

Leader:  You made us stewards of everything you have made;
All:  you have put everything under our feet.
Leader: You have made us the keepers of creation,
All: unfolders of its riches, agents of its renewal:
Leader: rocks and trees, geology and biology,
All: stars and numbers, physics and math,
Leader: language and images, linguistics and literature,
All: color and sound, art and music.
    Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Based on Psalm 8

*A Hymn of Adoration          *The First Place*          Matthew Westerholm
Music found on page 11

The Community's Welcome:

The Campus Community
    Aanna Stadem, Dordt College, Class of 2013
The Collegial Community
    Hubert Krygsman, Ph.D., President, Redeemer University College
The Local and State Community
    Dennis Walstra, Mayor, Sioux Center
The Community of Kingdom Ministries
    Gail Jansen, J.D., Attorney at Law

The Investiture of the President
    Lloyd VanderKwaak, Ph.D.
    Chair, The Board of Trustees

The Laying-On of Hands

An Anthem of Trust          *Thou Wilt Keep Him in Perfect Peace*          H. Alexander Matthews
    The Dordt College Concert Choir

The Presentation of the Presidential Medallion
    Lloyd VanderKwaak, Ph.D.

The President’s Inaugural Address
    Erik Hoekstra, Ph.D.
    “On the Edge of Our Seats”
A Song of Response:  

**God of Wisdom, Truth, and Beauty**  
Text: Jane Parker Huber  
Tune: Nettleton  

Music found on page 12

The Community’s Prayer

**President:** Lord, we praise you for your continued hand of blessing and your provision for Dordt College. May every word, deed, and thought on this campus honor you.

**All:** To God alone be the glory!

**President:** Lord, may your kingdom come! May our study, work, and play always be a faithful participation in your redemption of all things.

**All:** To God alone be the glory!

**President:** Lord, may your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. May our work be used here and around the world as you continue making all things new.

**All:** To God alone be the glory!

**President:** Soli Deo Gloria!

**All:** To God alone be the glory!

*A Song of Celebration:  

**Come, People of the Risen King**  
Keith and Kristyn Getty  
Stuart Townend

Music found on page 13

The Charge to the President and to the People:  

Lloyd VanderKwaak, Ph.D.

*Psalm and Doxology  

**Psalm 100**  
Text: William Kethe, Thomas Ken  
Tune: New Doxology

Music found on page 14

Recessional:  

**Siyahama ("We Are Marching in the Light of God")**  
John A. Behnke

Postlude:  

**Trumpet Recessional**  
William P. Rowan

President Erik and Dr. Barb Hoekstra will greet guests immediately following the ceremony at a reception in the Recreation Center.
PARTICIPANTS

Platform Party
Dennis Hoekstra, Ph.D., President Emeritus, Trinity Christian College
Kenneth Bootsma, Ph.D., President Emeritus, Trinity Christian College
John B. Hulst, Ph.D., President Emeritus, Dordt College
Carl E. Zylstra, Ph.D., President Emeritus, Dordt College
Wayne Kobes, Ph.D., Chair of the Dordt College Faculty and Professor of Theology
Aanna Stadem, Dordt College Senior, Class of 2013
Hubert Krygsman, Ph.D., President, Redeemer University College
Dennis Walstra, Mayor, Sioux Center, Class of 1973
Gail Jansen, J.D., Former Chair of the Board of Trustees, Class of 1974

Musicians
Brian De Young, organ and piano
Leendert van Beek, organ
Dordt College Concert Choir
Benjamin Kornelis, Director
Nathan Vruwink, violin
Jinny Seo, cello
Matt DeJong, guitar
Darin Lammers, percussion

Brass Ensemble
Christina Harbaugh, Peter Kuipers, Jason Stuhrenberg, Alex Woods, trumpet
Stephanie Fynaardt, Ruth Mahaffy, horn
John Stam, Devin Veenstra, trombone
Leanna Bentz, euphonium
Emil Talen, tuba

Banners
Joanne K. Alberda, M.F.A, Professor of Art Emerita

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Evan Vanden Bosch, Board of Trustees
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Complete as this program went to press.

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        Alumnus

1847 The University of Iowa .................................... Chester Rzonca
        Associate Provost and Dean, Division of Continuing Education

1848 Geneva College .............................................. Gary Vander Plaats
        Associate Professor of Business

1852 University of Dubuque ...................................... Mark D. Ward
        Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of the College

1853 Central College ............................................... Deb Bruxvoort
        Director of Academic Computing

1858 Iowa State University ..................................... Larry H. Ebbers
        University Professor

1860 Wheaton College ............................................... Jeffrey C. Moes
        Sr. Pastor of Sunnybrook Community Church, Sioux City, Iowa

1861 Luther College ............................................... Sally Oakes Edman
        Alumna
        Laird R. O. Edman
        Alumnus

1871 Bethel University ........................................... Kenneth L. Petersen
        Professor of Biological Sciences

1872 Doane College ................................................. Marilea Thiem
        Director of Events

1876 Calvin College ............................................... Dale Cooper
        Chaplain Emeritus

1876 Calvin Theological Seminary ................................ James A. De Jong
        President Emeritus

1882 Hastings College ............................................. Dennis Trotter
        President

1882 Northwestern College ..................................... Gregory E. Christy
        President

1882 St. Ambrose University .................................... Jim McClintock
        Alumnus

1883 Houghton College .......................................... Brian T. Hazlett
        Alumnus

1885 Dakota Wesleyan University ................................ Amy Novak
        Provost and Executive Vice President
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Dr. Erik Hoekstra is the fourth president of Dordt College. Born in Grand Rapids, Michigan, Dr. Hoekstra received his bachelor’s degree in history and philosophy from Trinity Christian College, his master of business administration degree in international management from The Rotterdam School of Management of Erasmus University in the Netherlands, and his Ph.D. in organizational learning and human resource development from Iowa State University.

Prior to being appointed as president of Dordt College, Dr. Hoekstra was involved in leadership development, executive coaching, organizational consulting, industrial construction, wholesale distribution and retail management, as well as teaching business courses at Dordt College, and, most recently, serving as provost at Dordt College. As an outgrowth of these experiences, he has co-authored publications on coaching, delegation, servant leadership, and change management.

During Dr. Hoekstra’s time as provost, programs in nursing, engineering, and agriculture have grown substantially, and new programs in worship arts, construction management, and actuarial science were launched. Athletic programs have grown in size and quality, as have international programs and international student enrollment. Dr. Hoekstra played a key partnership role with the Office of Student Services to design and build Kuyper Apartments, an award-winning student residence hall that opened in 2010.

He has reshaped the academic structure of the college, chaired the Enrollment Management Team, and worked closely with the Office of Advancement and the president on the recently completed Beyond Jubilee: Vision 2020 Campaign.
Dr. Hoekstra is passionate about Dordt College and the education it offers to students. He is an innovator who champions the college’s historical roots as it moves forward in today’s cultural context. As president, Dr. Hoekstra wants people to find Dordt College an intriguing and inviting Christian college that is humbly and hospitably Reformed.

“The core of our educational mission will always be to glorify God as a distinctively Christian, operationally excellent college that attracts quality faculty members, eager students, and enthusiastic supporters,” he says. He is committed to helping Dordt College maintain a vibrant mission; providing strong leadership; cultivating excellent, mission-oriented faculty members; and overseeing the college’s ongoing financial stability.

Dr. Hoekstra is also passionate about bringing joy and meaning to work. He strives to “create an environment where those who are being led are being served.” Doing so, he believes, not only creates the conditions where people can thrive in fulfilling their calling, but also makes a stronger institution. He has been actively involved in leadership training over the past several years and expects to continue to do so in the years ahead.

Dr. Hoekstra is married to Dr. Barb Hoekstra, an education professor at Dordt College with a bachelor’s degree from Trinity, a master’s from Western Michigan University, and an Ed.D. from the University of South Dakota. Their family is a blend of biological and adopted children and includes Arie, 17; Max, 16; Karl, 15; and Zoe, 13.

THE PRESIDENTIAL MEDALLION

The Dordt College Presidential Medallion was commissioned by the Board of Trustees to symbolize the authority of the president to act on behalf of the college’s board and its supporting Christian community.

The medallion is a cast reproduction of the Dordt College seal which bears the words Soli Deo Gloria, meaning “to God alone be the glory.” The same inscription is imprinted on the institution’s cornerstone. The Dordt seal was adopted in 1958. It uses the open Bible and the cross upon a shield to convey visually that Dordt College is firmly based in the Word of God and that victory is through the cross of Christ.

President Hoekstra will wear the medallion for formal academic occasions such as convocation and commencement. The presidential medallion will be passed on to each new president at inauguration.
Dordt College is infused with the energy and excitement of an institution that is still young and the confidence of an institution that is already well-established. Through God’s blessing and the hard work of his servants dedicated to Christian higher education, Dordt College has grown from the small beginnings of five faculty members, 35 students, and one building, to a vibrant institution of 80 faculty and approximately 1,400 students living and learning on a modern, well-equipped 150-acre campus.

Dordt College began in 1953 as Midwest Christian Junior College. The impetus for a new college was primarily the need for qualified teachers for Christian day schools in the area. When doors opened in 1955, the 35 students and five faculty members held classes in a new four-classroom building set on a former mink farm and surrounded by fields of crops.

Around the time the institution became a four-year college, its name was changed to Dordt College in honor of the historic Reformed synod held in Dordrecht, the Netherlands, in 1618-1619, a synod which emphasized the sovereignty of God through his electing grace.

Over the past six decades, Dordt College’s remarkable growth in size, offerings, and reputation has led us to exclaim in humble amazement, “What hath God wrought!” The college’s first four-year B.A. degrees were awarded to a graduating class of 58 in 1965. The college grew rapidly in the ’60s and ’70s, with enrollment climbing above 1,200. During this time the number of faculty grew as well; many faculty members, intending to teach here only a few years, became thoroughly committed to the college mission and remained for their entire careers.

Although the initial academic emphasis was on teacher education, Dordt College has greatly expanded its offerings to include programs in such diverse areas as agriculture, nursing, engineering, social work, criminal justice, biotechnology, construction management, international business, and theatre management. Dordt College is not only preparing students to serve in a wide variety of careers and occupations, but also to understand that those fields are under God’s sovereign care and important in his kingdom.

The three former presidents of Dordt College have provided leadership and commitment to a distinct vision for Christian higher education. Rev. B.J. Haan, who served as first president of the college until his retirement in 1982, worked tirelessly to lay the foundation that is today more clearly articulated in “The Educational Task of Dordt College.” Dr. J.B. Hulst, a founder and early dean of students, was as ardently committed to that vision as his predecessor and supervised the development of a strategic plan for the future of the college, titled “Renewing the Vision.” Dr. Carl E. Zylstra, the first non-founder president, presented as his inaugural theme in 1996 “Living the Vision,” urging faculty and students to make the continuing educational vision concrete in their teaching, learning, and living.
The First Place

Jesus, the perfect picture of the unseen God.
Victor, over sin and death you triumphed.

Maker of things we cannot comprehend. Wisdom, the earth disp
First-born, you've shown us life beyond the grave. Bride-groom, we long for
plays your strength and beauty, Sovereign, yes every
you in expectation. Jesus, your church re-

throne knows you are God. Every inch of this universe be-
joices to proclaim.

longs to you, O Christ, for through you and for you it was made. Your cre-

a-tion endures by the order of your hand. So

you must have in all things the first place.
God of Wisdom, Truth, and Beauty

1. God of wisdom, truth, and beauty, God of spirit, fire, and soul, God of order, love, and duty, God of purpose, plan, and goal; grant us wit, all life enhancing, God of every yearning heart: challenge us with all the human race: may our visions ever growing, breath of life, eternal strength, Holy us with quests of spirit, truth revealed in myriad ways, word or knowledge be extended for the whole creation's good, hunger fragments of our living, fit us to your finest scheme. Now for -

2. God of drama, music, dancing, God of story, sculpture, art, God of every living creature, God of all the human race: may our holding, God of reaching, God of power beyond each throne: take the order, love, and duty, God of purpose, plan, and goal; grant us wit, all life enhancing, God of every yearning heart: challenge us with all the human race: may our visions ever growing, breath of life, eternal strength, Holy us with quests of spirit, truth revealed in myriad ways, word or knowledge be extended for the whole creation's good, hunger fragments of our living, fit us to your finest scheme. Now for -

3. God of atom's smallest feature, God of galaxies in space, God of spiraling, filling height and depth and length. song for hearts that hear it, sketch and model forms of praise. banished, warfare ended, all the earth a neighbor- hood. given and forgiving, make us free to dare and dream.

4. God of science, history, teaching, God of futures yet unknown, God of spiraling, filling height and depth and length. song for hearts that hear it, sketch and model forms of praise. banished, warfare ended, all the earth a neighbor- hood. given and forgiving, make us free to dare and dream.
Come, People of the Risen King

Come people of the Risen King, who delight to bring Him praise; Come young and old from every land, men and women of the faith; Come all, and tune your hearts to sing to the Morning Star of grace. From the those with full or empty hands—find the richness of His grace. Over shifting shadows of the earth, we will lift our eyes to Him, where all the word, His people sing—shore to shore we hear them call the steady arms of mercy reach, to gather children in. Re- truth that cries in every age, "Our God is all in all." -joice, rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice! One heart, one voice; O Church of Christ, rejoice!
Psalm 100

1. All people that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheerful voice, Serve him with joy, his praises tell; come now before him and rejoice.

2. Know that the Lord is God in deed; he formed us all with our aid. We are the flock he comes to feed, the sheep who by his hand were made.

3. Because the Lord our God is good, his mercy is forever sure; his faithfulness above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

4. Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavens. Comes to feed, the sheep who by his hand were made. All times stood, and shall from age to age endure.
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