

OLIN T. BINKLEY CHAPEL SOUTHEASTERN BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

INTERDENOMINATIONAL COMMUNITY SERVICE IN APPRECIATION OF THE SOUTHEASTERN BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

7:30 p.m., November 16, 1987 Binkley Chapel

Organ Prelude

Word of Welcome

Opening Prayer (unison)

"O God, by your Holy Spirit you give to some the word of wisdom, to others the word of knowledge, and to others the word of faith: We praise your Name for the gifts of grace manifested in your servants: the students, staff, and faculty of Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, and we pray that your churches may never be destitute of such gifts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen."

*Opening Hymn (10):

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" Lobe den Herren

Prayer of Confession

Words of Absolution

Reading of the 1646 Baptist Confession:

Also we confess, that we know but in part, and that we are ignorant of many things which we desire and seek to know.

And if any shall do us the friendly part, and shew us from the Word of God that we see not, and we shall have cause to be thankful to God and to them.

But if any man shall impose on us anything that we see not to be commended by our Lord Jesus Christ, we should rather....die a thousand deaths, than to do anything....against the light of our consciences.

*Hymn (265)

Words of Celebration DR. Lolley

Candlelight Service and the Sharing of Peace

*Scripture Reading DR. Brown

(As candles of the congregation are lit, then each person in turn lights the candle of the person next to them, while sharing the phrase, "God's Peace be with you."

*The Litany of Light

Speaker: God's Light lives within us.

People: And is reflected from us.

Unison: Let us live in the Light of the Lord!

- EXTINGUISH CANDLES -

Prayer for Peace and Living the Light

*Closing Hymn:

"In Unity We Lift Our Song" Ein Feste Burg (to the tune of "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God")

In unity we lift our song of grateful adoration

For brothers brave and sisters strong

What cause for celebration.

For those whose faithfulness has kept us through distress,

Who've shared with us our plight, Who've held us in the

night,

The blessed congregation.

For stories told and told again to every generation, To give us strength in times of pain, To give us consolation.

Our spirits to revive to keep our dream alive, When we are far from home and troubling seasons come; How firm is our foundation.

For sacred scriptures handed down, a blessed trust and treasure,
Which give us hope when hope is gone
And make us weep with pleasure.
And when our eyes grow blind and death is close behind,
We shall recite them still whose words our hearts can fill
With hope beyond all measure.

For God our way, our bread, our rest, Of all these gifts the Giver. Our strength, our guide, our nurturing breast Whose hand will yet deliver.

(over)

Who keeps us till the day when night shall pass away When we shall meet the Son, when all our work is done, And we shall sing forever.

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*Benediction

*Dismissal: Speaker: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Participants: Willard Brown, Jr., Wake Forest Baptist Church; Michael Hawn, SEBTS; Ben Johnson, SEBTS; Enoch Kearney, Spring Street Presbyterian Church; Randall Lolley, SEBTS; Jack Radford, Wake Forest United Methodist Church; Martha Abshire Simmons, the Wake Forest community; Ted Voorhees, St. John's Episcopal Church.

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