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The 119th Annual
COMMENCEMENT
of
Cedarville University
CLASS *of* 2015

SATURDAY, THE SECOND DAY OF MAY
TWO THOUSAND AND FIFTEEN
AT TEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING

DODEN FIELD HOUSE
CEDARVILLE UNIVERSITY
CEDARVILLE, OHIO

"The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me."

John 17:22-23 ESV

WELCOME TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE CLASS OF 2015

Today is the celebration of the 119th commencement of Cedarville University. In 1887, God led five men to found Cedarville College. They envisioned an institution that would provide an outstanding education with a biblical worldview. That purpose continues at Cedarville University 128 years later.

This group of seniors walking across the stage today has endured some challenging times and some joyous occasions. Through them all, they have demonstrated a strong faith in God, a strong sense of calling, and a determination to finish what they started. To all the family and friends who are here to celebrate with them, we welcome you to this ceremony. These graduates reflect well upon the parents, grandparents, mentors, and local churches that have invested into their lives.



Joy and I, along with the Cedarville family, congratulate the class of 2015. We know that you will transition into the workplace or graduate school taking the bold message of the Gospel of Jesus Christ with you. Sometimes transition can be difficult and even scary. Let me encourage you with the words of the Lord found in Joshua 1:7-9:

“Only be strong and very courageous, being careful to do according to all the law that Moses my servant commanded you. Do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left, that you may have good success wherever you go. This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success. Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go.”

I pray God’s blessings upon you as you embark upon the mission to which you have been called, for the Word of God and the Testimony of Jesus Christ.

By Faith,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Thomas White".

Thomas White, Ph.D.
President, Cedarville University

THOMAS WHITE BIOGRAPHY

Thomas White became President of Cedarville University on July 1, 2013. His desire is to lead Cedarville University in training students to love the Word of God and have a passion for fulfilling the Great Commission of Jesus Christ.

A systematic theologian by training with a focus on the doctrine of the Church, Dr. White has served in many roles in the local church, preached itinerantly, and owned and operated multiple karate schools in South Carolina. He earned Doctor of Philosophy and Master of Divinity degrees from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Wake Forest, North Carolina, and Bachelor of Arts and Associate of Arts degrees from Anderson University in Anderson, South Carolina.

Prior to coming to Cedarville, Dr. White served as Vice President for Student Services and Communications, as well as Associate Professor of Systematic Theology, at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas.

Dr. White is married to Joy (Martin) White, who earned a Master of Divinity degree in women's studies and a Master of Theology degree in systematic theology from Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary. She has authored a commentary on Acts and served as the Women's Studies Coordinator at Southeastern Seminary. The Whites have two young children, Rachel and Samuel, and enjoy their two dogs.



CLASS SONG

Oceans

Verse One

You call me out upon the
waters
The great unknown where feet
may fail
And there I find You in the
mystery
In oceans deep
My faith will stand

Chorus One

And I will call upon Your
name
And keep my eyes above the
waves
When oceans rise
My soul will rest in Your
embrace
For I am Yours and You are
mine

Verse Two

Your grace abounds in deepest
waters
Your sovereign hand
Will be my guide
Where feet may fail and fear
surrounds me
You've never failed and You
won't start now

Chorus

Bridge x 3

Spirit lead me where my trust
is without borders
Let me walk upon the waters
Wherever You would call me
Take me deeper than my feet
could ever wander
And my faith will be made
stronger
In the presence of my Savior

Chorus Two

I will call upon Your Name
Keep my eyes above the waves
My soul will rest in Your
embrace
I am Yours and You are mine

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Prelude

Variations: It Is Well

Andrew McFarlane

Brass Choir
Charles Pagnard, M.M.
Conductor

*Processional

Pomp and Circumstance
Brass Choir

Edward Elgar

*Invocation

Lorne Scharnberg
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Welcome Address

Thomas H.L. Cornman, Ph.D.
Vice President for Academics, and Chief Academic Officer

Scripture Reading

John 17:22-23
Murray Murdoch, Ph.D.
Senior Professor of History

Commencement Address

Thomas White, Ph.D.
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Presentation of Class Gift

Phillip Hord
Class President

Acceptance of Gift

Thomas White, Ph.D.

Class Song

Oceans

Michael Pettus - vocals and acoustic guitar
Abigail Israel - vocals
Samuel DeLoye - keyboards
Clayton Sell - electric guitar

CONVOCATION

Presentation of Candidates

Thomas H.L. Cornman, Ph.D.

**Conferral of Degrees

Thomas White, Ph.D.

Presentation of Awards

Thomas White, Ph.D.

Prayer of Dedication

Lori Huckaby, M.Ed., Class Adviser
Assistant Professor of Sport Business Management

*Alma Mater

The Spirit of This Place Chambers/Bethel

Lyle J. Anderson, Ph.D.

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*Let the spirit of this hallowed place
Be kindled from above,
And the joy of serving Christ our Lord
Increase in Christian love.
O, Cedarville, your call fulfill
And to our God be true!
Then we who truly seek His will
And come to you
May learn to shine for Him in all we do.*

*Benediction

Paul H. Dixon, D.D., LL.D., Ed.D.
Chancellor

Recessional

Triumphal March from Aida Giuseppe Verdi
arr. Dennis L. Horton

Brass Choir

Postlude

*Please remain in place until the academic
procession has left the building.*

**Congregation standing*

***Please hold your displays of support until
all degrees have been conferred.*

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The following members of the class of 2015 received awards during the annual Honors Day Chapel.

Tehseen Adel
The Creation Research Award
for Chemistry

Jerry R. Bailey
The James T. Jeremiah Award

Joy A. Brammer
The Music Contribution Award

Mary K. Browning
The James R. Phipps
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The Excellence in Music
Research Award

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The Daniel Award

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Business Faculty Senior Scholar
Award

John M. Filcik
The Harold R. Green Christian
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Alanna C. Franklin
The Dr. Merlin and Ruth Ager
Education Award

Christina P. Gall
The Creation Research Award
for Environmental Science

Erica C. Graham
The Creation Research Award
for Biology

Cori E. Grom
The Arline Littleton Auto
Award

Andrew B. Gutberlet
The Oxford University Press
Awards - Christian Education
and Youth Ministries

Andrew B. Gutberlet
The Zondervan Theology
Award

Jordan M. Hitt
The Creation Research Award
for Chemistry Education

William A. Hinks
"The Marinus Hazen, Jr.
Memorial Scholarship"

Ericka L. Kistler
The CRC Press Chemistry
Award

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for Molecular and Cellular
Biology

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for Physics

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The Harold R. Green Christian
Ministries Award

Paul J. McMichael
The David G. Canine Award

Paul J. McMichael
The Oxford University Press
Awards - Preseminary

Emma E. Patterson
The Music Contribution Award

Rebecca J. Taylor
The Creation Research Award
for Mathematics Education

Jay T. White
The Creation Research Award
for Mathematics

Michael J. Wood
The Outstanding Future Music
Teacher Award

THE ACADEMIC REGALIA

The colorful academic regalia dates from the first European universities in the Middle Ages. Academic costume has been in use in the United States since colonial times and is traditionally used for graduation convocations. The mortarboard is the standard cap. The tassel color, as established by an intercollegiate commission, indicates the subject field.

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|---|---------------|
| arts, history, letters, languages | white |
| business, commerce..... | drab |
| communication..... | silver gray |
| criminal justice..... | navy blue |
| education | light blue |
| engineering | orange |
| fine arts | dark brown |
| journalism..... | maroon |
| music | pink |
| nursing..... | apricot |
| philosophy | royal blue |
| physical education, allied health..... | sage green |
| religion..... | scarlet |
| science, mathematics, psychology..... | golden yellow |
| social work, political science, public administration..... | citron |
| doctor of arts..... | gold |
| doctor of education..... | gold |
| doctor of pharmacy | olive green |
| doctor of philosophy..... | gold |
| doctor of theology..... | gold |

The length of the hood and the width of the velvet indicate the level of the degree. The doctor's hood is quite long, has two tails, and has five-inch-wide velvet. The master's hood is shorter than the doctor's and has three-inch-wide velvet. The bachelor's hood is shorter yet and has two-inch-wide velvet. The color of the velvet indicates the field of study. Blue indicates a doctoral degree. Dark brown indicates a Master of Arts degree. White indicates a Bachelor of Arts or a Master of Arts degree. Scarlet indicates a Bachelor of Divinity degree or a Master of Divinity degree. Yellow indicates a Bachelor of Science degree. The colors in the lining of the hood are the university colors.

The gown's traditional color is black. The distinguishing feature of the master's gown is the tippet sleeve. The doctor's gown has two distinguishing features. It is cut much fuller than the bachelor's or the master's gown and has velvet panels on the sleeves, around the neck, and down the front. These panels may be black or the color that symbolizes the subject field in which the degree was earned.

Some regalia represent academic awards that have been conferred from universities outside the United States, notably from Europe. Universities in Europe have not undergone the standardization in academic dress that was introduced in the United States. Each European university retains the right to design unique and distinctive regalia for its graduates. This results in a wide variety of hood and gown colors. The crest of the university may be woven into the hood or panels in the gown. Gowns are worn open, and formal attire is worn underneath the gown; women wear black skirts and white blouses, while men wear a formal suit or national costume.

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Students graduating with academic honors are wearing a gold cord. A student who earns a grade point average of 3.50 or better is graduated “with honor”; one who earns a grade point average of 3.75 or better is graduated “with high honor”; and one who earns a grade point average of 3.90 or better is graduated “with highest honor.” A student must be in residence at least two full years (60 semester hours) in order to qualify for honors.

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THE UNIVERSITY SEAL



Adopted in 1894, the seal reflects the commitment of the first Board of Trustees to the cause of Christ. Prominently displayed on the seal are the words “PRO CORONA ET FOEDERE CHRISTI,” translated “For the Crown and the Covenant of Christ,” as well as a crown to signify His preeminence. The trustees desired to emphasize that Christ was the One for whom Cedarville College existed.

The board of the Baptist Bible Institute, after taking over the operation of Cedarville in 1953, retained the original seal of the college, acknowledging that the desire of Cedarville’s founders was theirs as well. They then surrounded the seal with the motto of the Baptist Bible Institute, “For the Word of God and the Testimony of Jesus Christ,” to visually remind those who observed the seal of the common commitment by both institutions to Jesus Christ.

The seal was updated in 2000 when Cedarville College became Cedarville University.

The first part of the document discusses the importance of maintaining accurate records of all transactions. It emphasizes that every entry, no matter how small, should be recorded to ensure the integrity of the financial data. This includes not only sales and purchases but also expenses and income. The document also highlights the need for regular reconciliation to identify any discrepancies early on.

In addition, the document provides a detailed breakdown of the accounting cycle, from identifying the accounting entity to preparing financial statements. It explains how each step contributes to the overall accuracy and reliability of the financial records. The document also includes a section on the importance of internal controls to prevent errors and fraud.

The second part of the document focuses on the practical application of these principles. It provides a step-by-step guide to recording transactions in the general ledger. This includes instructions on how to use T-accounts to visualize debits and credits. The document also includes a sample journal entry and a partial ledger page to illustrate the process.

Finally, the document concludes with a summary of the key points discussed. It reiterates the importance of accuracy, regular reconciliation, and the use of internal controls. The document also provides a list of resources for further study and a glossary of key terms.



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