



Convocation Ceremony

## McMaster Divinity College

May 24, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.



McMaster Divinity  
College

McMaster Divinity College's  
*Sixty-fourth*  
and  
McMaster University's  
*Six hundred  
and ninth*  
*Convocation*

## PRINCIPALS & DEANS

### CANADA BAPTIST COLLEGE

1838–1843 . . . . . Benjamin Davies  
 1843 . . . . . Robert Alexander Fyfe  
 1844–1849 . . . . . John M. Cramp

### CANADIAN LITERARY INSTITUTE

1860–1878 . . . . . Robert Alexander Fyfe  
 1878–1881 . . . . . John Torrance

### TORONTO BAPTIST COLLEGE

1881–1889 . . . . . John H. Castle

### McMASTER UNIVERSITY

1889 . . . . . Daniel A. McGregor  
 1890–1892 . . . . . Calvin A. Goodspeed  
 1892–1895 . . . . . Theodore H. Rand  
 1895–1903 . . . . . Oates C. S. Wallace  
 1903–1928 . . . . . John H. Farmer  
 1928–1931 . . . . . Howard P. Whidden  
 1931–1937 . . . . . John MacNeill  
 1939–1952 . . . . . Harold S. Stewart  
 1952–1957 . . . . . Nathaniel H. Parker

### McMASTER DIVINITY COLLEGE

1957–1966 . . . . . Nathaniel H. Parker  
 1966–1978 . . . . . Ivan C. Morgan  
 1978–1989 . . . . . Melvyn R. Hillmer  
 1989–2000 . . . . . William H. Brackney  
 2001– . . . . . Stanley E. Porter

## CHANCELLORS OF McMASTER UNIVERSITY

1887–1890 . . . . . Malcolm MacVicar  
 1892–1895 . . . . . Theodore H. Rand  
 1895–1905 . . . . . Oates C. S. Wallace  
 1905–1911 . . . . . Alexander C. McKay  
 1911–1922 . . . . . Abraham L. McCrimmon  
 1922–1941 . . . . . Howard P. Whidden  
 1941–1950 . . . . . George P. Gilmour  
 1950–1955 . . . . . E. Carey Fox  
 1955–1960 . . . . . Roy L. Kellock  
 1960–1965 . . . . . Charles P. Fell  
 1965–1971 . . . . . D. Argue C. Martin  
 1971–1977 . . . . . Lawrence T. Pennell  
 1977–1986 . . . . . H. Allan B. Leal  
 1986–1992 . . . . . John H. Panabaker  
 1992–1998 . . . . . James H. Taylor  
 1998–2007 . . . . . Melvin M. Hawkrigg  
 2007–2013 . . . . . Lynton R. Wilson  
 2013–2019 . . . . . Suzanne B. Labarge  
 2019– . . . . . Santee Smith / Tekaronhiákhkwa

## PRESIDENTS OF McMASTER UNIVERSITY

1949–1961 . . . . . George P. Gilmour  
 1961–1972 . . . . . Henry G. Thode  
 1972–1980 . . . . . Arthur N. Bourns  
 1980–1990 . . . . . Alvin A. Lee  
 1990–1995 . . . . . Geraldine A. Kenney-Wallace  
 1995–2010 . . . . . Peter J. George  
 2010–2019 . . . . . Patrick Deane  
 2020– . . . . . David H. Farrar



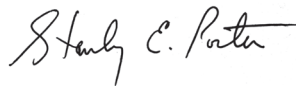


## MESSAGE FROM STANLEY E. PORTER



I wish to congratulate all of McMaster Divinity College's graduands on reaching this important day. Our prayer for you as you came to McMaster Divinity College was that you would reach this day knowing the Word of God, being transformed into Christ's image, and prepared for doing the work of ministry. We hope that you have experienced the fruit of this prayer. We now pray that you will leave this seminary and graduate school better equipped to take your place as a Christian leader. Some of you are heading towards vocational ministry, others into teaching ministry, and still others into various kinds of valuable Christian service. Whatever God has in store for you, we trust that your time here has been one of deep spiritual, personal, and academic development, so as to become the person whom God will continue to use in His work in the world.

Although this occasion marks the completion of much work, effort, and sacrifice, it also marks the beginning of so much more. As you pursue your Christian vocation, we wish God's greatest blessings on you and your endeavours. In all that you do, whether the times are hard or easy, trying or trouble-free, we trust that they will be rewarding as you answer a genuine call to follow the Lord Jesus Christ and work to His glory. We want you to know that our continued prayers, concern, and interest will go with you. We would love to hear from you again regarding how God is working in your life and using you for His purposes.



*Stanley E. Porter, PhD  
President and Dean, McMaster Divinity College*

## McMASTER DIVINITY COLLEGE

McMaster Divinity College is heir to an educational tradition that reaches back to 1838. In 1881, William McMaster, a wealthy merchant, banker, and Senator of the Dominion of Canada, urged the creation of a theological school in Toronto, eventually helping to found Toronto Baptist College through his generous financial support. In 1887, this institution, which had provincial degree granting powers, joined with Woodstock College to become McMaster University. After relocating from Toronto to the current campus in west Hamilton in 1930, the University separated from the Divinity College in 1957. McMaster University was reorganized, transferring governance of the institution from the Baptist Convention of Ontario and Quebec to a privately chartered, publicly funded arrangement. McMaster Divinity College, as a separately and independently chartered college, though affiliated with the University, continues the legacy of Toronto Baptist College to this day. With its own Senate and Board of Trustees, MDC is freestanding and responsible for its own governance and finances. However, it remains situated at the heart of the McMaster University campus. McMaster Divinity College currently offers the Master of Theological Studies, Master of Divinity, Doctor of Practical Theology, Master of Arts, and Doctor of Philosophy degrees, as well as Graduate Certificates in Spiritual Care, Spiritual Formation, Worship Studies, Church Leadership, Biblical Languages, and Christian Studies.

# COVID-19 SAFETY POLICY

Thank you for joining us for our Convocation Ceremony. We are committed to protecting the health and safety of all attendees and reducing the transmission of COVID-19. To do so, we have limited the capacity of our event and encourage you to use the additional space to safely distance yourself from other guests. We respectfully ask that you please wear a mask at all times during the ceremony. Sanitizing stations have been strategically placed throughout the Concert Hall and can also be found at our reception table at the entrance.

Immediately following the ceremony, we will be hosting a reception at McMaster Divinity College. All are welcome to join us as you feel comfortable. Refreshments will be located in Cullen Hall and Hurlburt Hall, with additional seating space in our Gallery, Chapel, and other classrooms. Please use these additional spaces to reduce crowding in refreshment areas and take the opportunity to explore our recently renovated building, including the artwork that is part of our MDC Artist Series/2022. Masks may be temporarily removed to eat and drink but are required at all other times while inside our building.

We thank you for your commitment to making this a safe and enjoyable event for everyone.

# ORDER OF EXERCISES

Musical Prelude, the Graduand Procession, The Academic Procession, The President's Procession  
*The audience will rise as the Processions enter L. R. Wilson Concert Hall.*

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National Anthem\*

*Led by Dr. Wendy J. Porter, Associate Professor of Music and Worship, McMaster Divinity College*

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Welcome and Opening of Convocation Ceremony

*Dr. Stanley E. Porter, President and Dean, McMaster Divinity College*

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Opening Prayer and Responsive Scripture Reading—Psalm 103\*

*Led by Dr. Michael P. Knowles, Professor of Preaching, McMaster Divinity College*

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Praise to the Lord, the Almighty\*

*Led by Dr. Wendy J. Porter*

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The Presentation of Degrees and Certificates by Authority of the McMaster University Senate

*Dr. Stanley E. Porter*

*and*

*Dr. Phil C. Zylla, Vice President Academic, McMaster Divinity College*

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Graduand Reflection

*Faith Shuthei Lau (MDiv)*

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Graduand Reflection

*Darlene Michelle Seal (PhD)*

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*ORDER OF EXERCISES (CONTINUED...)*

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Recognition of Dr. Mary L. Conway as Associate Professor Emerita of Old Testament, McMaster Divinity College  
*Dr. Mark J. Boda, Professor of Old Testament, McMaster Divinity College*

Award Acknowledgment  
*Dr. Mary L. Conway, Associate Professor Emerita of Old Testament, McMaster Divinity College*

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10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord)\*  
*Led by Dr. Wendy J. Porter*

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The Trustee Address  
*David Huctwith, Chair, Board of Trustees, McMaster Divinity College*

Presentation of the President's Gold Medal Awards for Academic Excellence  
*Dr. Stanley E. Porter*

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The President's Address  
*Dr. Stanley E. Porter*

Commissioning of Graduates  
*Dr. Phil C. Zylla*

Prayer of Commissioning  
*Dr. Cynthia Long Westfall, Associate Professor of New Testament, McMaster Divinity College*

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Be Thou My Vision\*  
*Led by Dr. Wendy J. Porter*

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Dismissal of Convocation Ceremony  
*Dr. Stanley E. Porter*

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Recessional

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*Immediately following the ceremony, a reception, to which all are invited, will be held at McMaster Divinity College. Please review our COVID-19 Safety Policy on page 4 regarding the reception.*

# THE PRESENTATION OF DEGREES BY AUTHORITY OF THE McMASTER UNIVERSITY SENATE

*Dr. Stanley E. Porter*

## MASTER OF DIVINITY

*Presented by Dr. Phil C. Zylla*

Minchan Cheon	<i>AA (Seoul Institute—South Korea)</i>
Jungik Leonard Choi	<i>BA (Toronto)</i>
Eric James Dunnett	<i>BA (McMaster), BEd (Toronto)</i>
Lindsay Kathleen Hart	<i>BSc (Hons) (McMaster)</i>
Faith Shuthei Lau	<i>BMus (Wheaton)</i>
Hobbe Smit	<i>BSc (Redeemer), MMath (Waterloo)</i>
Jeffrey Stephen Webb	<i>BSc (Hons) (Brock)</i>
Benjamin Harrison Wimmers	<i>BSc (McMaster)</i>
Thesis: A Biblical Worldview for Christian Identity and Participation in God's Reconciliation of All Things	

## MASTER OF THEOLOGICAL STUDIES

*Presented by Dr. Phil C. Zylla*

Mandy Lee Head	<i>BMus (Windsor), MA (Wayne State), CertCS (McMaster Divinity)</i>
Joshua Herbert	<i>Diploma (HIET—India)</i>
Amanda Marie Hildebrandt	<i>BASc (Guelph), BEd (Wilfrid Laurier)</i>
Ben Daniel Joubert	<i>BA (Ambrose)</i>
Andrew Theo Klumpenhauer	<i>BA (Guelph), BRS (Vanguard)</i>
Melanie Susanne Koch	<i>BSW (Western)</i>
Rene Sam Koshy	<i>BA (Kristu Jayanti—India)</i>
Christina MacBean	<i>BA (Laurentian)</i>
Paul David Mittelstaedt	<i>BTh (Summit Pacific)</i>
Fernando Buair Noronha	<i>BBA (FAE Centro Universitario—Brazil), BTh (Faculdade Fidelis—Brazil)</i>
Bruce Preston	<i>BA (York), MA (Brock)</i>
Privu Ioan Raca	<i>BTh (Bucharest—Romania)</i>
Sara Dawn Russell	<i>BA (Hons) (Toronto), Cert (Durham)</i>
Djuro Samac	<i>BTh (Sherbrook)</i>



# **THE PRESENTATION OF DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES BY AUTHORITY OF THE McMASTER DIVINITY COLLEGE SENATE**

*Dr. Stanley E. Porter*

## **MASTER OF THEOLOGICAL STUDIES**

*Presented by Dr. Phil C. Zylla*

Amanda Bedard

## **DOCTOR OF PRACTICAL THEOLOGY**

*Presented by Dr. Phil C. Zylla*

Stephen David Barkley

*BTH (Master's), MDiv (Tyndale)*

Dissertation: Charismatic Prophecy in the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada: An Old Testament Perspective

Gregory Reader

*MDiv (Tyndale)*

Dissertation: A Study of Christian Witness in the Field of International Development

## DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (CHRISTIAN THEOLOGY)

*Presented by Dr. Phil C. Zylla*

Traci Lea Birge

*BA (Roberts Wesleyan), BA (Roberts Wesleyan), MA (Northeastern)*

Dissertation: Everyone Has An Angle: Exploring the Complexity of Supporting Characters Using the Storyworld of Judges 10:6–12:7

Shin Yee Cynthia Chau

*BSSc (Hons) (Hong Kong Baptist), MDiv (Alliance–Hong Kong), MA (McMaster Divinity)*

Dissertation: Thematic, Axiological, and Rhetorical Formations: A Discourse and Intertextual Analysis of Jude and 2 Peter

Caroline Anne Cutler

*BSW (Windsor), BEd (Windsor), MTS (McMaster Divinity)*

Dissertation: Laying Aside the Elder Wand: Resisting Empire and Tyranny in Mark 10:32–45

Jae Cheon Jung

*BA (Southwestern), MDiv (Southwestern)*

Dissertation: Determining Purpose through Metafunctional Meanings: A Discourse Analysis of Two Speeches in Acts 2 and 17

Doosuk Kim

*BPol (Chosun–South Korea), MDiv (Chongshin–South Korea), MA (McMaster Divinity)*

Dissertation: Intertextuality of Paul's Apocalyptic Discourse: An Examination of Its Cultural Relation and Heteroglossia

Dongjin Park

*BComm (Chung-Ang–South Korea), MDiv (Hapdong–South Korea), MA (McMaster Divinity)*

Dissertation: Martyn Lloyd-Jones, Baptism with the Spirit, and True Preaching

Adam Daniel Rudy

*BA (Hons) (Redeemer), MA (McMaster Divinity)*

Dissertation: The Cause of Righteousness and Freedom: Canadian Protestant Churches and the Second World War, 1939–1945

Darlene Michelle Seal

*BA (Ouachita Baptist), MA (Denver)*

Dissertation: "These Things Were Written for Us": Scriptural Re-Interpretation and Social Creativity in the Corinthian Letters

## GRADUATE CERTIFICATE OF CHRISTIAN STUDIES

*Presented by Dr. Phil C. Zylla*

Ruth Ann MacKenzie

Manuela Mora

Oscar Balebanga Benjamin

Michael Thomas Hum

*BA (St. Thomas)*

*BEd (Keyatta–Kenya)*

*BA (Tyndale)*

# ACADEMIC AWARDS

Jonathan Boerger  
*The John Billes Scholarship*  
*The Horace West Bursary*

Emma Clarke  
*The Lois Tupper Scholarship*  
*The William and Ines Watson Memorial Bursary*

Murray Finck  
*The Gordon S. Martin Memorial Scholarship*  
*The Irene McDormand Prize*

Edith Carolina Holguin Galvis  
*The William and Ines Watson Memorial Bursary*

Lindsay Hart  
*The Duncan R. MacNab Scholarship*

Sang Hyun Steven Jung  
*The John Billes Scholarship*  
*The Catherine Thomson MacAlpine Memorial Scholarship*

Faith Shuthei Lau  
*The Muriel Israel Prize*

Jae Seung Lim  
*Canadian Bible Society Prize*

Elizabeth Millar  
*The William and Ines Watson Memorial Bursary*  
*The Horace West Bursary*

Paul David Mittelstaedt  
*The Salmon and Esther Vining Memorial Prize*

Tamara Mitton  
*Margaret and Stanley Ford Scholarship*

Nathan Nadeau  
*The John Billes Scholarship*

Johannes Oberholzer  
*The Catherine Thomson MacAlpine Memorial Scholarship*

Katie Ogiba  
*The H. Winnifred Lang Scholarship*

Tammy Palumbo  
*The Harvey Pike Memorial Prize*

Annie Rani  
*The Edith Laurence McDermid Scholarship*

Doug Schonberg  
*The Ker Memorial Scholarship*

Deborah Stephan  
*The William and Ines Watson Memorial Bursary*

Leif Strand  
*The E. Frank Wright Scholarship*

Jacob Tomc  
*The John Billes Scholarship*  
*Margaret and Stanley Ford Scholarship*

James Tughan  
*The Reverend Fred Allen Jewell Scholarship*

Jolene Veenstra  
*Margaret and Stanley Ford Scholarship*  
*The Silas H. Lamb Bursary Fund*

Rachel Wall  
*The Gordon S. Martin Memorial Scholarship*  
*The Irene McDormand Prize*

Jocelyn Webber  
*Margaret and Stanley Ford Scholarship*

# HONOUR LIST

*Master of Theological Studies and Master of Divinity Programs*

## GRADUANDS

Eric James Dunnett

Ben Daniel Joubert

Andrew Theo Klumpenhauer

Faith Shuthei Lau

Bruce Preston

Sara Dawn Russell

Hobbe Smit

## IN-COURSE

William Adams

Robert Awil

David Bonnet

Natasha Crozier

Rachael Ernst

Jaysar Esteron

Prakash Jayakumar

Carmen Kinniburgh

Jonathan Limmer

Meghan Matthews

Dai Hong Min

Johannes Oberholzer

Kathryn Ogiba

Tammy Palumbo

Annie Rani

Sneha Reddy

Luke Ricker

Sarah Robinson

Robert Smith

Mark Sneath

Erin Steckley

Leif Strand

Michael Tabet

Nathan Turner

Jolene Veenstra

Rachel Wall

Jocelyn Webber

Heather Whitehead

Charissa Yavtucovich

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