



2012 BACCALAUREATE SERVICE

Sunday, May 6 | 10 a.m. | Richardson Performing Arts Center

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude Mr. Alan Malaby
Voluntary on Ellacombe: "I Sing the Almighty Power of God"

*The Call to Worship Isaac Chua

Leader: Graduates, faculty, staff, families and friends, come and worship the Lord.

People: We come to celebrate the goodness of the Lord today.

Leader: As Christ is the true vine, we find life by remaining in him.

People: Through pruning, growth and remaining in the true vine, we find the fullness of life.

Leader: O God, great is your faithfulness in giving us strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow.

People: Living God, as we take this next step of faith, may we remain in you, so that we might be people who bear much fruit.

*Song of Praise Senior Praise Team
"How Great Is Our God" - Chris Tomlin

*Prayer of Invocation Dr. Dawn Pleas-Bailey

Scripture Dr. W. Richard Merriman, Jr., *President*
John 15:1-5

Words of Witness Mr. Lucas McConnell

Words of Witness Ms. Carol Gardner

Special Music Senior Ensemble
"The Lord Bless You and Keep You" - John Rutter

Words of Witness Mr. David Cannady

Words of Witness Ms. Verna Jokomo

Charge Rev. Ashlee Alley, *Campus Minister*

*Closing Hymn Senior Ensemble
"Great Is Thy Faithfulness" - Chisolm/Runyan

*Benediction Rev. Alley

Postlude Mr. Malaby
"Epilogue" - Norman Gilbert

***Please Stand**

SONGS OF PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

How Great Is Our God

The splendor of the King, clothed in majesty

Let all the earth rejoice

All the earth rejoice

He wraps himself in Light

And darkness tries to hide

And trembles at His voice

And trembles at His voice

How great is our God, sing with me

How great is our God, and all will see

How great, how great is our God

Age to age He stands

And time is in His hands

Beginning and the end

Beginning and the end

The Godhead Three in One

Father Spirit Son

The Lion and the Lamb

The Lion and the Lamb

How great is our God, sing with me

How great is our God, and all will see

How great, how great is our God

Name above all names

Worthy of our praise

My heart will sing

How great is our God

Name above all names

Worthy of our praise

My heart will sing

How great is our God

How great is our God, sing with me

How great is our God, and all will see

How great, how great is our God

You Never Let Go

Even though I walk
Through the valley of the shadow
of death
Your perfect love is casting out fear
And even when I'm caught
In the middle of the storms of this life
I won't turn back I know You are near

And I will fear no evil
For my God is with me
And if my God is with me
Whom then shall I fear
Whom then shall I fear

Oh no You never let go
Through the calm and through
the storm

Oh no You never let go
In ev'ry high and ev'ry low
Oh no You never let go
Lord You never let go of me

And I can see a light that is coming
For the heart that holds on
A glorious light beyond all compare
And there will be an end to
these troubles
But until that day comes
We'll live to know You here on the earth

And I will fear no evil
For my God is with me
And if my God is with me
Whom then shall I fear
Whom then shall I fear

Oh no You never let go
Through the calm and through
the storm

Oh no You never let go
In ev'ry high and ev'ry low
Oh no You never let go
Lord You never let go of me

Yes I can see a light
That is coming for the heart
that holds on
And there will be an end to
these troubles

But until that day comes
Still I will praise You
Still I will praise You

Yes I can see a light
That is coming for the heart
that holds on
And there will be an end to
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But until that day comes
Still I will praise You
Still I will praise You

Oh no You never let go
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Oh no You never let go
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Oh no You never let go
Lord You never let go of me

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father
There is no shadow of turning with Thee
Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not
As Thou has been Thou forever wilt be

Great is Thy faithfulness!
Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love

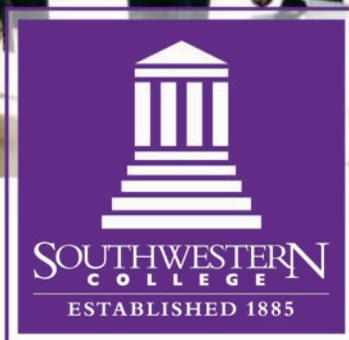
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Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth
Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside

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Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me



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