

WAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY

Divinity School



Class of 2008

The Hooding Service

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The Commencement Ceremony

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PRELUDE: *Suite Gothique*..... Léon Boëllmann

1. Introduction – Choral

Donald L. Armitage, University Organist

2. Minuet Gothique

3. Pierre a Notre-Dame

FACULTY PROCESSIONAL: Trumpet Tune in D Major William Rowan

GRADUATES PROCESSIONAL: *God is Here* Martha Munizzi

Sabrina Gilchrist, Barbara Calvin, Clare Johnson,
Matt Johnson, Reggie Mathis and the Sacred Dance Ministry

WELCOME Eileen Ayuso

* HYMN: “All Creatures of our God and King” LASST UNS EFREUEN

All creatures of our God and King,
Lift up your voice and with us sing,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Thou burning sun with golden beam,
Thou silver moon with softer gleam,
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong,
Ye clouds that sail in heaven along,
O sing ye! Alleluia!
Thou burning sun with golden beam,
Thou lights of evening, find a voice!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou flowing water, pure and clear,
Make music for thy Lord to hear,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Thou fire so masterful and bright,
That givest us both warmth and light,
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou fertile earth, that day by day
Unfoldest blessings on your way,
O sing ye! Alleluia!
The flowers and fruits that in thee grow,
Let them God’s glory also show!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless
And worship God in humbleness.
Oh, praise him! Alleluia!
Oh, praise the Father, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit, Three in One,
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Leader 1: We have come to this space to affirm and celebrate the roles that you, our families and friends, have taken in response to our call. You have supported us, challenged us, nurtured us and guided us through the years of our journey. You have shared in our achievements, our sacrifices, our struggles and our setbacks, and you now share in our joys. We honor you as you have honored us.

All: We give thanks to God for families and friends.

Leader 2: We have come to this space to recognize and thank you, the faculty and staff of this Divinity School. You have welcomed us and showed us the paths that you have made, inviting us to forge paths of our own making with your wisdom. You have inspired us to become independent and interdependent thinkers, learning from within ourselves, from our peers, and from the knowledge of those who have come before us. You have supplied the foundation that will uphold us in years to come. We celebrate you as you have celebrated us.

All: We give thanks to God for faculty and staff.

Leader 1: We have come to this space, fellow graduates, to cheer one another on, to mark this as a time to dance. Together we entered this phase of our lives, uncertain and hopeful. We have become a community of shared wisdom, shared fellowship and shared dreams. As we lean into the ambiguity of the future, we embrace you as you have embraced us.

All: We give thanks to God for those who journey with us.

Leader 2: We have come to this space to join those who are graduates of the Wake Forest University Divinity School, who have gone on and forged the path that we now follow. You stepped courageously from this stage to the stage of the community, the church, and the world; and we are inspired by your example. As we join the ranks of alumni, we welcome you as you welcome us.

All: We give thanks to God for our Alumni.

Leader 1: We have come to this space to recognize and thank you, first- and second-year students, our fellow travelers on this journey. You entered these halls after us, and you will remain after we have left them. Together we have become a part of this institution, and we take with us the fond memories of the lives we have shared together here. You have sojourned with us in study, in late nights, in valued friendships, and in all the beauty and distress that is this Divinity School. As we leave, we go assured that we are entrusting this place to capable hands; and so we bless you, as you have blessed us.

All: We give thanks to God for the student community.

Leader 2: We have come to this sacred space to honor you, mentors and pastors. You have shared seasons with us, challenging, encouraging, guiding and teaching. Through your witness and word, we have been inspired to answer our calls. Now as we are released into the world, ready to be the hands and feet of God, we would like to recognize God in you as you have recognized God in us.

All: We give thanks to God for mentors and pastors.

Leader 1: We have come to this sacred place to pay homage to our transnational family – the human collective to which we are bound in joy, anguish, loss and triumphs. Though we are apart and your names and numbers remain a mystery, we are grateful for that pastoral hand placed just so and that gentle voice echoing stillness in the storm. For awakening in us a breathless wonder, we lift you up just as you have given wings to our most fervent hopes and dreams.

All: Thank you, God, for guardians known and unknown.

Written by Erin Gordon, Azurée Johnson, Rebekkah Logan, and Beth Woodard

PRAYER	Azurée Johnson
OLD TESTAMENT READING: Isaiah 42:1-4	Seth Bledsoe
EPISTLE READING: Romans 8:18-25.....	Erin Gordon
MUSICAL REFLECTION: Lord, Here am I.....	John Ness Beck Christine Ebert, Emily Hull, Clare Johnson, Matt Johnson, Charles Smith
GOSPEL READING: John 3:1-17	Terri Engle
INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER.....	Jason Matlack
ANTHEM: The Servant Song	Richard Gillard The Divinity School Choir Laura Jane Kist, Director
COMMUNITY ADDRESS: “Masters of Divinity: Servants of God Loving God’s Creation”	Craig Atwood John Comenius Visiting Professor of Moravian Studies & Director of Public Theology Programs
HYMN: “Let Your Hearts Be Broken”.....	WYE VALLEY
<p>Let your heart be broken for a world in need – Feed the mouths that hunger, soothe the wounds that bleed; Give the cup of water and the loaf of bread – Be the hands of Jesus, serving in his stead.</p> <p>Here on earth applying principles of love – Visible expression God still rules above, Living illustration of the Living Word To the minds of all who’ve never seen and heard.</p> <p>Blest to be a blessing, privileged to care, Challenged by the need apparent everywhere, Where the world is wanting fill the vacant place, Be the means through which the Lord reveals his grace.</p> <p>Add to your believing deeds that prove it true – Knowing Christ as Savior, make him Master too; Follow in his footsteps, go where he has trod, In the world’s great trouble risk yourself for God.</p> <p>Let your heart be tender and your vision clear – Rouse yourself to action, serve God far and near. Let your heart be broken by another’s pain, Share your rich resources – give and give again.</p>	
HOODING OF THE GRADUATES.....	Douglass Bailey, Jill Crainshaw, James Dunn, Kevin Jung, Bill Leonard, Diane Lipsett, Veronice Miles, Frank Tupper, Neal Walls

CEREMONY OF AFFIRMATION AND COMMISSIONING

Dean Leonard: As we conclude this ceremony, we affirm and commission not only our graduates but all who have shared and continue to share in this journey as brothers and sisters in unity with God. Please stand and join us in this affirmation and commissioning, each group responding in turn.

Dean Crainshaw: We call on you, families and friends. Without you they would not be here. Will you continue to demonstrate the love, support, and encouragement that has brought your loved ones to this day? Will you guide, uphold and stand by them in the days ahead?

Families & Friends: We will, with God's help and guidance.

Dean Leonard: We call on you, faculty and staff. Will you uphold your affection for these graduates as they in turn become leaders, following your example? Will you celebrate, assist and affirm these graduates in their futures as servant leaders?

Faculty & Staff: We will, with God's help and guidance.

Dean Crainshaw: We call on you, students, in the passion and commitment of the call that brought you here and will see you through. Will you continue to honor the life of the community and welcome those who will join you this fall, as uncertain and hopeful as these graduates once were? Will you support, befriend, and love them?

Students: We will, with God's help and guidance.

Dean Leonard: We call on you, pastors and mentors, as these students go into the world of ministry. Will you, enriched by these relationships, continue to open your places of service and worship for others to come and share in ministry? Will you continue to develop in relationship with these students, who are now your colleagues? Will you continue to witness, lead and follow?

Pastors & Mentors: We will, with God's help and guidance.

Dean Crainshaw
and Dean Leonard: Go out in peace – students, graduates, friends – as instruments of grace and goodness, justice and reconciliation. Be wise as serpents; innocent as doves. Turn the other cheek; go the extra mile; speak truth to power; be of good courage; find room for joy. We are glad you came. You give us hope. Amen.

Written by Erin Gordon, Azurée Johnson, Dean Bill Leonard, Rebekkah Logan, and Beth Woodard

BENEDICTION:Herbert Miller

SUNG BENEDICTION: *A Gaelic Blessing*..... John Rutter
The Divinity School Choir

* RECESSIONAL: *Toccata (Suite Gothique)* Léon Boëllmanns

**Everyone is invited to stand.*

Please join us for a reception honoring the graduates in the Green Room, Reynolda Hall, directly across the Quad.

***If you will be attending the Divinity School Commencement Ceremony on
Monday, May 19, please keep this program and bring it with you.***

STUDENT MARSHALS

John Carter
Meg Finnerud
Brooks Johnson
Becky Memmelaar
Nancy Redd
Eddie Self

GRADUATION COMMITTEE

Carolyn Ashburn
Eileen Ayuso
Terri Engle
Erin Gordon
Laura Gundel
Janice Huesman
Azurée Johnson
Jason Matlack
Stephanie Swanson
Jonathan Watt
Amy West
Beth Woodard
Craig Atwood, *faculty advisor*

ON THE STOLES: Traditionally, each graduating class of the divinity school has chosen stoles in a liturgical color. The Class of 2008 continues this tradition, choosing green stoles in continuity with Ordinary Time. The tree symbolizes our unity of purpose though varied in our expressions. We extend our gratitude to Mrs. Tammy Fuller, mother to Tripp, Alecia, and Steven Fuller for her work in making the stoles.

ON THE GIFT FROM THE GRADUATING CLASS: The Class of 2008 presents to Wake Forest University Divinity School a donation for the Divinity School Endowment. The graduating class is also making a donation to the Wake Forest University Chapel Committee with which the committee will purchase liturgical elements for the chapel series. Several items are also being produced by our students and will be included in this gift. Some of these items include a woven altar cloth by Erin Gordon and a cross made by the husband of student Terri Engle.



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PRELUDE The Stratford Brass Quintet

PROCESSIONAL: Fanfare Jean Joseph Mouret

INVOCATION Frank Tupper

ANTHEM: Arise, Shine Allen Pote
The Divinity School Choir
Laura Jane Kist, Director; Ray Ebert, piano

WELCOME Veronice Miles

SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 139:1-14 Kevin Jung, Larretta Rivera-Williams

O Lord, you have searched me and known me.
You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away.
You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways.
Even before a word is on my tongue, O Lord, you know it completely.
You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.
Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it.
Where can I go from your spirit? Or where can I flee from your presence?
If I ascend to heaven, you are there; if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there.
If I take the wings of the morning and settle at the farthest limits of the sea,
even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me fast.
If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me, and the light around me become night,"
even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day, for darkness is as light to you.
For it was you who formed my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb.
I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; that I know very well.

ANTHEM: Order My Steps Glenn Burleigh

REMARKS: "Has Everyone Been Served?" Bill Leonard

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF AWARDS Jill Crainshaw
Donna Haley
Bill Leonard

* DIVINITY SCHOOL HYMN: "Draw Us Together and Make Us One" (page 11) GLENN HEWITT

* BENEDICTION: Bill Leonard

* RECESSIONAL: Prelude from *Te Deum* Marc Antoine Charpentier

**The congregation is invited to stand.*

STUDENT AWARDS

The Katherine Amos Christian Education Award is an award given by the North Carolina Christian Education Association in honor of Dr. Amos' work in Christian education at the Divinity School and with the Association of Theological Schools.

The Jerry M. Crainshaw Preaching Award was established by the Crainshaw family in memory of Jerry M. Crainshaw, a strong supporter of the art of preaching. It is for members of the graduating class of the Wake Forest University Divinity School. Recipients must be outstanding preachers, as determined by the Dean of the Divinity School in consultation with the school's homiletics faculty.

The Greek Language Award is given to the graduating senior who has demonstrated significant ability in the study of Greek. It is presented on recommendation of the faculty.

The Margaret Woodford Guthrie Prize is a graduation award established by Wiley C. Guthrie ('52) in memory of his wife. It is for members of the graduating class of the Divinity School. Recipients must have a superior scholarship record, a personality suited to the requirements of Christian ministry, and have effectively participated in the school's activities.

The John Thomas and Dorothy Porter Award in Vocational Formation and Community Ministry is presented to two graduating seniors who have demonstrated significant commitment to ministry in the broad context of Christian ministry. The Reverend Dr. John Thomas Porter was pastor of the Sixth Avenue Baptist Church, Birmingham, for 38 years. One of America's leading civil rights advocates, Porter was one of the first African Americans elected to the Alabama legislature in the civil rights era. Dorothy Porter is an outstanding musician and soloist, widely known throughout the United States.

The Ashley and Whitney Walker Award is named for the daughters of Dale Walker ('65) and is given to students who demonstrate academic excellence, initiative in ministerial pursuits, and particular concern for woman-centered topics from a theological perspective.



2008 GRADUATES

Senior Internships

Carolyn Williams Ashburn.....	Winston-Salem, NC
KBR Hospice Home Consultant: Rennie Adcock Winston-Salem, NC	
Eileen Mary Ayuso.....	Staten Island, NY
Green Street Church Consultant: Kelly P. Carpenter Winston- Salem, NC	
Laura Ashley Barclay	Richmond, KY
Crisis Control Ministry Consultant: Susan Parker Winston-Salem, NC	
Will Webster Eads	Pilot Mountain, NC
First Baptist Church of Pilot Mountain Consultant: Gene Sherrill Pilot Mountain, NC	
Lori Renee English	Asheville, NC
Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center Department of Pastoral Care Consultant: Daniel Miles Winston-Salem, NC	
Alecia Dawn Fuller	Winston-Salem, NC
First Christian Church Consultant: Maria Stinnett Winston-Salem, NC Knollwood Baptist Church Preschool Consultant: Chris Norman Winston-Salem, NC	
Erin Eaddy Gordon.....	Roanoke, VA
Green Street Church Consultant: Kelly P. Carpenter Winston-Salem, NC	
Gilbert George Gulick.....	Tampa, FL
First Baptist Church Consultant: Tim Cannon High Point, NC	
Laura Kathryn Gundel	Cornelius, NC
Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center Department of Pastoral Care Consultant: Mark Jenson Winston-Salem, NC	
Sara Elisabeth Hof	Rogers, AR
Wake Forest University Department of Religion Consultant: Steve Boyd Winston-Salem, NC	

Azuree Danielle Johnson	Philadelphia, PA
	Hospice and Palliative Care Center Consultant: Ken Bradstock Winston-Salem, NC New Bethel Baptist Church Consultant: Kendall D. Jones, Sr. Winston-Salem, NC
David Rees Mercadante	Trinity, NC
	Thomasville Friends Church Consultant: Mike Bodenheimer Thomasville, NC
James Amos Penuel III	Pittsville, MD
	Maple Springs United Methodist Church Consultant: Terry Matthews Winston-Salem, NC
Mark Anderson Reece, Jr	Elkin, NC
	Piney Grove Baptist Church Consultant: Kermit Gray Mt. Airy, NC
Stephanie Beth Swanson	Marengo, IL
	Wake Forest University Office of the Chaplin Consultant: Tim Auman Winston-Salem, NC
Jonathan Hardy Watt	San Antonio, TX
	Westminster Presbyterian Church Greensboro, NC
Henry Dockery Wilkinson	Winston-Salem, NC
	St. Paul's Episcopal Church Consultant: John Shields Winston-Salem, NC
Dean Rowland Willoughby	St. Petersburg, FL
	Kids' Cafe at Parkway UCC Consultant: Larretta Rivera-Williams Winston-Salem, NC

Senior Projects

Seth Allen Bledsoe	Kingsport, TN
	<i>"To what end?: The Relationship between Form and Content in Genesis 1:1-2:3"</i> Faculty Senior Project Advisor: Neal Walls
Terri Lynn Engle	Clemmons, NC
	<i>"Using Visual Arts to Enhance Spiritual Formation"</i> Faculty Senior Project Advisor: Kitty Amos
Brandn Quentin Green	Port Matilda, PA
	<i>"A Sociological & Theological Investigation of the Mexican Immigrant Experience"</i> Faculty Senior Project Advisor: Bill Leonard

Jason Isaac Matlack	Greenfield, OH
<i>"A Baptist Journey Towards the Supper: A Liturgical Analysis of an Observation of the Lord's Supper"</i> Faculty Senior Project Advisor: Jill Crainshaw	
Herbert Miller, II	Winston-Salem, NC
<i>"The Response of African American Churches to the AIDS Crisis in America"</i> Faculty Senior Project Advisor: Malika Roman-Isler	
Jerod Thomas Patterson.....	Buda, TX
<i>"The Politics of Mission: American Evangelical Foreign Missions and the Religious Right"</i> Faculty Senior Project Advisor: David Yamane & Bill Leonard	
Kevin Ray Sinclair.....	Richardson, TX
<i>"Youth Ministry in a Post-Mountain Dew Era: A Trinitarian-Christocentric-Liturgical Approach to the Seasons of Youth Ministry"</i> Faculty Senior Project Advisor: Craig Atwood	
Vincent Lee Webb.....	Heflin, AL
<i>"Must the Poor Be With Us Always?: Introducing Microcredit Lending Into the Christian Mission to Establish Economic Justice"</i> Faculty Senior Project Advisor: Kevin Jung	
Amy Marie West	Gloucester, VA
<i>"Take It With You: From Faith at Home to Faith on Your Own, A Reflective Study for College Freshmen"</i> Faculty Senior Project Advisor: Diane Lipsett	
David L. With	Kinston, NC
<i>"Preaching and Cognitive Disabilities: Towards a Homiletic of Hospitality"</i> Faculty Senior Project Advisor: Jill Crainshaw	
Beth M. Woodard	Jamestown, NC
<i>"Faith Enough: A Devotional for Beginners"</i> Faculty Senior Project Advisor: Sam Weber	
Mary Courtney Young.....	Wendell, NC
<i>"Revitalizing an Ancient Code: A Look at Food Ethics From Leviticus to the Present"</i> Faculty Senior Project Advisor: Jill Crainshaw	

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Senior Projects

Rebekkah Melchor Logan.....	High Point, NC
<i>"Gleaning Ruth: The Stranger Sojourner As Divine Instrument of Redemption"</i> Faculty Senior Project Advisor: Jill Crainshaw	
Garrett Lewis Vickrey	Richardson, TX
<i>"From Stranger to Family: Hospitality and the Kingdom of God as Influenced by the Ethics of Walter Rauschenbusch and T.B. Maston"</i> Faculty Senior Project Advisor: James Dunn	



Draw Us Together and Make Us One

Mary Louise Bringle, 2003

GLENN HEWITT 9.9.9.9.9.

Sally Ann Morris, 2003

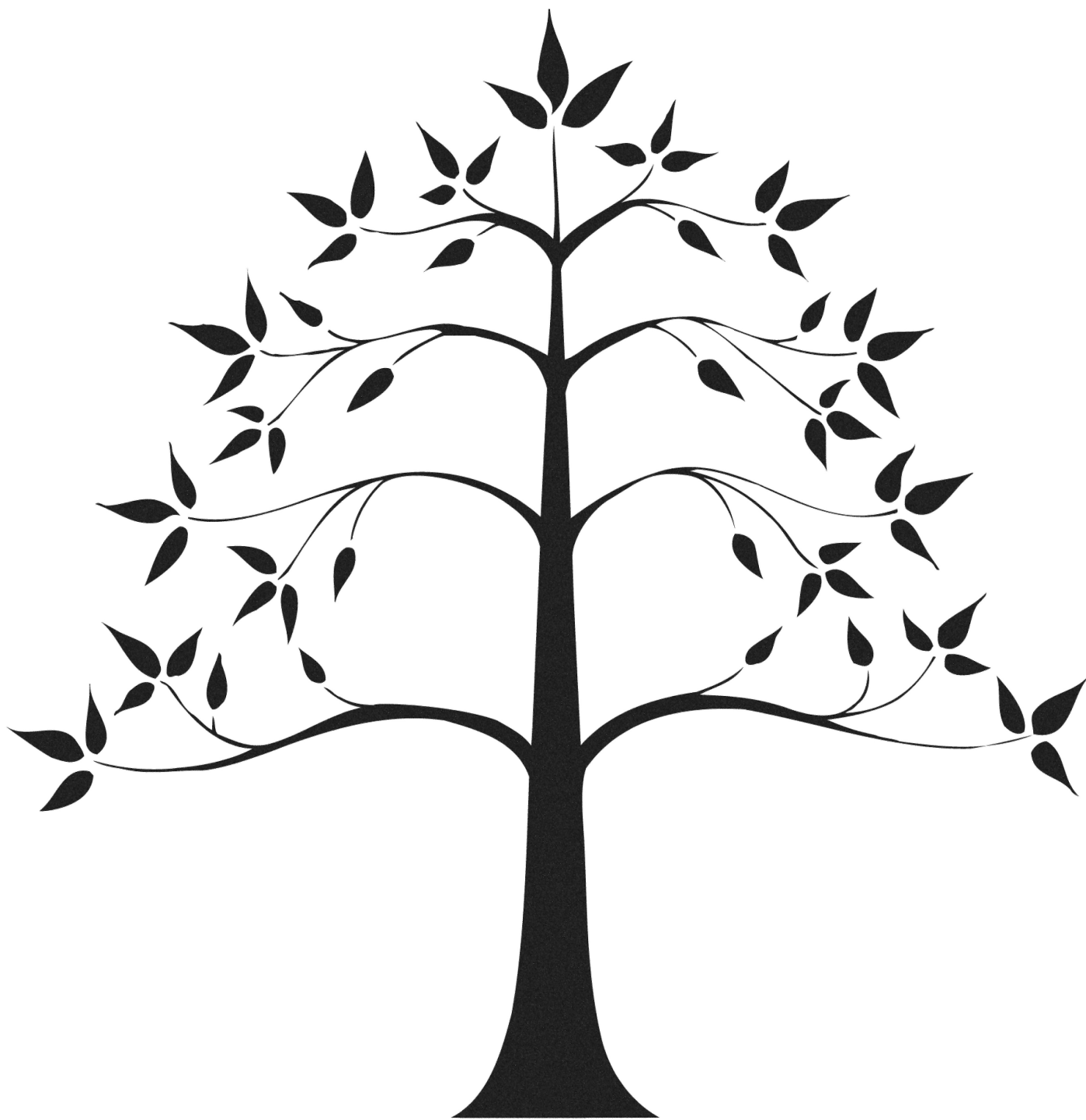
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1. Draw us to - geth - er and make us one—
 2. Sis - ters and bro - thers in com - mon cause,
 3. Fill us with breath of your Liv - ing Word;
 4. Min - i - stries honed for a chang - ing world,

tap - e - stries wo - ven of vi - brant strands, robed in a patch-work of
 draw us to - geth - er and make us one— fired by the Spir - it with
 form us in ser - vice to tend the earth. Draw us to - geth - er and
 stead - fast in work 'til Your will is done, 'til all cre - a - tion a -

rain - bow hues, col - ors re - fract - ing the pri - sm's bands.
 var - ied gifts, warmed by the Light of a sin - gle sun.
 make us one, joined in af - firm - ing all creat - ures' worth.
 bounds in love, draw us to - geth - er and make us one!

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