

CHRISTOPHER NEWPORT UNIVERSITY



BACCALAUREATE SERVICE

THE FREEMAN CENTER  
GAINES THEATRE  
NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA

SATURDAY, MAY TWELFTH, TWO THOUSAND AND TWELVE  
EIGHT O'CLOCK A.M.

# THE BACCALAUREATE SERVICE

PRELUDE MUSIC

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN

**CNU Voices**

WELCOME

**Mrs. Rosemary Tribble**

\*THE INVOCATION

**Mr. John Hopke**  
*Catholic Campus Minister*

FIRST LESSON

**Foundation**

**Njiba Kasonga**  
*Class of 2012*

SILENT REFLECTION

SPECIAL SELECTION

**CNU Voices**

SECOND LESSON

**Celebrations**

**Nathaniel Morris**  
*Class of 2012*

SILENT REFLECTION

THIRD LESSON

**Legacy**

**Sarah Cribb**  
*Class of 2012*

SILENT REFLECTION

THE BACCALAUREATE REFLECTION

**William Mears**  
*Class of 2012*

\*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

**Jennifer Wittenberg**  
*Class of 2012*

Leader: Let us bring our prayers before our Lord who loves, inspires and sustains us.  
For nations of the world and their leaders,  
that hearts will be open to forgiveness and reconciliation  
and justice and peace for all people.  
Let us pray to our God.

People: *Hear our prayer.*

Leader: For our nation, our leaders and our people,  
that we will commit ourselves anew to working together to ensure

*\*Those who are able are requested to stand*

equal access for all to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

Let us pray to our God.

*People: Hear our prayer.*

**Leader:** For all who parent us,  
for our families and extended families,  
that they will know what a blessing they are in our lives.  
Let us pray to our God.

*People: Hear our prayer.*

**Leader:** For the community that is Christopher Newport University,  
that teachers, coaches, professors, staff, administrators, counselors,  
campus ministers and friends know how much we appreciate  
their support and encouragement.  
Let us pray to our God.

*People: Hear our prayer.*

**Leader:** For those of us graduating this day,  
that we use all we have learned here to extend your reign, Lord,  
by serving the poor, healing the earth, creating justice and  
seeking the peace that only loving you can bring.  
Let us pray to our God.

*People: Hear our prayer.*

**Leader:** For the incoming class of 2016, and all who follow in our footsteps,  
that Christopher Newport will be a place of challenge, understanding,  
growth and blessing.  
Let us pray to our God.

*People: Hear our prayer.*

**Leader:** For those unspoken prayers deep within our hearts,  
we pray silently to the holy one whom we call by many names.

*All: Amen.*

**THE CLOSING**

**Mrs. Rosemary Tribble**

**THE CLOSING HYMN**

**CNU Voices**

**\*THE ALMA MATER**

**Senior & Alumni Ensemble**

**\*THE BENEDICTION**

**Mr. John Hopke**

**THE POSTLUDE**

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## ALMA MATER

Knowledge, truth, eternal wisdom,  
Alma Mater we adore.  
Your sons and daughters walk the pathway  
Trodden by those who came before.

With passion, loyalty, and courage,  
We wave the silver and the blue.  
Our Alma Mater shining brightly,  
Hail, all hail, to CNU.

Arr. A. R. Forte



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