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FRIDAY, MAY 17, 2024, 4:30 P.M.  
CHRIST CHAPEL



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In the spirit of global citizenship and community, Gettysburg College welcomes you in each language currently offered for study:

أهلاً وسهلاً

*Arabic*

欢迎

*Chinese*

Welcome

*English*

Bienvenue

*French*

Willkommen

*German*

χαίρετε

*Greek*

Benvenuti

*Italian*

ようこそ

*Japanese*

Salvete

*Latin*

Bem-vindos

*Portuguese*

Bienvenidos

*Spanish*

Gettysburg College was founded on April 7, 1832, by anti-slavery theologian Samuel Simon Schmucker. Five years later, the institution (then known as Pennsylvania College) moved into Pennsylvania Hall, built on land provided by Thaddeus Stevens, whose illustrious career in Congress included authorship of the 14th Amendment, which guaranteed full civil rights to citizens of all states.

When the Civil War erupted, the College stood in its midst. Elements of two great armies swept through campus on July 1, 1863, the first day of the decisive Battle of Gettysburg. Pennsylvania Hall became a hospital for hundreds of soldiers from both North and South.

On November 19, 1863, townspeople, students, and faculty marched to hear President Abraham Lincoln hallow the National Cemetery with his *Gettysburg Address*. David Wills, an 1851 graduate, invited Lincoln to deliver “a few appropriate remarks.”

Almost a century later, President Dwight D. Eisenhower settled in Gettysburg after leaving the White House in 1961 and served on the College’s Board of Trustees. He wrote his memoirs in what is today the College’s Admissions Office.

Today, Gettysburg College is a vibrant learning community that has produced prominent graduates in a wide variety of fields, including former White House Counsel Fred Fielding ’61, U.S. Congressman Ron Paul ’57, Nobel Prize-winning cancer researcher Michael Bishop ’57, former NAACP President and CEO Bruce Gordon ’68, five-time Oscar-nominated cinematographer Owen Roizman ’58, Chair of the Global Partnership for Education Carol Bellamy ’63, Newbery Medal-winning Maniac Magee author Jerry Spinelli ’63, leading sleep researcher Mary Carskadon ’69, McKnight Foundation President Kathryn Wolford ’79, and Emmy-award winning actor, stylist, author, and fashion guru Carson Kressley ’91.

**PRELUDE**

Toccato from Suite 1 for Organ  
*Florence Beatrice Price*

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**PROCESSIONAL**

Festal March  
*Florence Beatrice Price*

Rev. Dr. Kellie Turner, *organist*

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**PRESIDENT'S WELCOME**

Robert W. Iuliano  
*President*

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**LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

Chaplain Bright  
*Director of Religious and Spiritual Life/College Chaplain*

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**INVOCATION, PRAYER OF REMEMBRANCE, AND POURING OF LIBATION**

Chaplain Bright  
*Director of Religious and Spiritual Life / College Chaplain*

Alexis Jones '24

*See page 7 for the full list of family members and friends in our prayers*

## FIRST SACRED READING (Jewish)

Hannah Repole '24

Shema

שְׁמַע יִשְׂרָאֵל יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ יְיָ אֶחָד

*Sh'ma Yisra'eil Adonai Eloheinu Adonai ehad.*

Hear, Israel, the Lord is our God, the Lord is one.

Shehecheyanu

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה, יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ, מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, שְׁהַחֲיֵנוּ  
וְקִיַּמְנוּ וְהִגִּיעַנוּ לְזִמְנוּ הַזֶּה.

Transliteration

*Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam,  
shehecheyanu, v'kiy'manu, v'higiyanu laz'man hazeh.*

Translation

Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of all,  
who has kept us alive, sustained us, and brought us to this season.

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## FIRST SENIOR ADDRESS

Everett Gillis '24

## SECOND SACRED READING (Gospel) Matthew 5:13-16

John Riccardi '24

13 “You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored?  
It is no longer good for anything but is thrown out and trampled under foot.

14 “You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid.

15 People do not light a lamp and put it under the bushel basket; rather,  
they put it on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house.

16 In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see  
your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.”

## MUSICAL SELECTION

Concerto for 4 violins in G major, TWV 40:201

*Georg Philipp Telemann (1681-1757)*

Largo e staccato

Allegro

Dr. Elly Toyoda \*, *violin I*

JJ Jordan '24, *violin II*

Leah McCann '24, *violin III*

Julia Wass '24, *violin IV*

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## SECOND SENIOR ADDRESS

Nosimat Salami '24

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## THIRD SACRED READING (Quranic)

Kaly E. Conde, '24

رَبَّنَا آتِنَا مِن لَّدُنكَ رَحْمَةً وَهَيِّئْ لَنَا مِنْ أَمْرِنَا رَشَدًا

“Rabbanaa aatinaa mil ladunka rahmatan wahayyi’ lanaa min amrinaa rashadaa”

“Our Lord, grant us mercy from Yourself and prepare for us from our affair right guidance.”

(Surah Al-Kahf, 18:10)<sub>1</sub>

رَبِّ زِدْنِي عِلْمًا

“Rabbi zidnee ‘ilmaa”

“My Lord, increase me in knowledge.” (Surah Taha, 20:114)

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## THIRD SENIOR ADDRESS

Ellabelle Pedersen '24

## FOURTH SACRED READING (Dharmic)

Dr. Patturaja Selvaraj \*

### Lord Ganesha Mantra:

Oh God with curved trunk, large body whose aura is like light of millions of sun,  
illuminate my mind with wisdom, please make my entire work obstacle free,  
forever and who is the destroyer of all troubles, I bow respectfully to the  
lotus feet of Vigneshwara Ganesha.

### Gayatri Mantra:

We meditate on the glory of the Creator;  
Who has created the Universe;  
Who is worthy of Worship;  
Who is the embodiment of Knowledge and Light;  
Who is the remover of all sin and ignorance;  
May S/He enlighten our intellect.

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## MUSICAL SELECTION

Concerto for 4 violins in G major, TWV 40:201

*Georg Philipp Telemann (1681-1757)*

Adagio

Vivace

Dr. Elly Toyoda \*, *violin I*

JJ Jordan '24, *violin II*

Leah McCann '24, *violin III*

Julia Wass '24, *violin IV*

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## HOMILY

Chaplain Bright

*Director of Religious and Spiritual Life/College Chaplain*

**MEDITATION**

Adoration

*Florence Beatrice Price*

Rev. Dr. Kellie Turner, *organist*

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**BENEDICTION**

Chaplain Bright

*Director of Religious and Spiritual Life / College Chaplain*

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**THE ALMA MATER**

*F.E. Reinartz 1924, text by P.S. Gilbert 1922*

Sally L. Fetterman '24, *soprano*

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**RECESSIONAL AND POSTLUDE**

Come, O Fount of Every Blessing

*Robert Robinson, 1758; alt*

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**ORGANIST**

Rev. Dr. Kellie Turner

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**STRING QUARTET**

*Director: Elly Toyoda \**

JJ Jordan '24

Leah McCann '24

Julia Wass '24

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**VOCALIST**

Sally L. Fetterman '24

*\* Gettysburg College Faculty*



Today as we celebrate together, we remember these family members  
and friends in our prayers and hold them in our hearts.

Salma Ahmed	Madison Gowland
Taskia Alam	Félix Ygnacio Hernández Peña
Dorothy (Meme) Ashcraft	Victoria Hocrine
Sudha Barot	Joseph Holahan
Ameet Barot	Brenda Kasperski
Jahanara Begum	Lee Koets
Mary Brady	Christopher Komst - Father
Ed Burgstahler	Leon Larson
Alcira Carrasquilla	Elizabeth 'Betty' McDermott
Leon Chaparian	Carole (Memom) Meyer
Jane Chapin	Curvin (Butch) Myers
Bruce D. Connell, Sr.	Gary Pawling
Patricia (Mao) Cordray	Paris Peet
Mary Dinh	Carol Petrosky
Lillian Dishman	Azizur Rahman Kahn
Michale "Opie" Donohoe	Harun Ar Rashid
Diane Dougherty	Danny Repole
Eric Dougherty	Papa Gene Repole
Charlene Felton	Bill Rosenblum
Joe Femino	Lev Rozenfeld
Claire Fenner	Shirley Schlick
Phil Firestone	Thomas Smith
Sandra Firestone	Marie Vaccaro
Sara Abdulqadir Gifford	David Wein
Debbie Gowland	James Robert (Bob) Wingert, Jr. '54
George Gowland	Stan Zimmerman

## IN MEMORIAM

Gettysburg College remembers the following individuals of our College community who have touched the lives of many through their service to others.

### **Terence Troy Datcher '90**

*Board of Trustees  
Chairman of the Board, The Gold Flora Corporation*

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### **Charlene Evonne Felton**

*Support Staff  
Dining Services*

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### **Sara Abdulqadir Gifford**

*Assistant Director  
International Student Services  
Ph.D. candidate, IUP*

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### **Catherine Quinn Perry**

*Digital Projects and Collections Manager  
Musselman Library/Special Collections and College Archives*

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