



THE COVENANT SCHOOL

THE CLASS OF TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-THREE
COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

THE EIGHTEENTH OF MAY, TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-THREE



“Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto Thy name give glory.”
- Psalm 115:1a

SENIOR CLASS OF 2023

LAURA GRACE DAWSON*	KAITLIN HOPE SWANN ⁺	ANNA LYNN MYERS*
<i>Samford University</i>	<i>Baylor University</i>	<i>Auburn University</i>
AARON JAMES GRAFT	HARVEY DAVID WALZ III*	WILLIAM DANIEL ORR [^]
<i>Gap Year</i>	<i>Texas A&M University</i>	<i>University of Wyoming</i>
MERCER YORK KERLIN	WILLIAM BRADEN WEISS*	KATHRYN ELIZABETH PETERSON [^]
<i>Texas A&M University</i>	<i>Texas A&M University</i>	<i>Samford University</i>
GRAYSON ERICK COLLINS KUEBLER [^]	JACKSON ALFONSO [^]	SYDNEY ROSE WEATHERFORD
<i>Samford University</i>	<i>Baylor University</i>	<i>Belmont University</i>
BLAINE THOMAS LAW [^]	PIERSON WELLMAN DAVIS [^]	EMMA GILLESPIE WILSON [^]
<i>Baylor University</i>	<i>University of Oklahoma</i>	<i>Texas A&M University</i>
ROBERT GRANT MOBLEY	JONATHAN WILLIAM KERN [^]	SOPHIA CAROLINE WRIGHT ⁺
<i>Biola University</i>	<i>Wheaton College</i>	<i>Samford University</i>
ANDREW DUKE PATTISON ⁺	SIMEON DIVINAGRACIA MEZGER	JOSHUA RUSSELL BARTO
<i>Baylor University</i>	<i>Gap Year</i>	<i>Oklahoma State University</i>
HARRISON GRANT ROWLAND	SCARLETT ELIZABETH SIDLEY [^]	MOLLY CLAIRE BOVENKAMP*
<i>Samford University</i>	<i>Samford University</i>	<i>Samford University</i>
LUCY CATHERINE WEDEBERG [^]	JENNA MARGUERITE SMITH ⁺	CHLOE ELIZABETH FOX [^]
<i>Appalachian State University</i>	<i>Baylor University</i>	<i>University of Arkansas</i>
COLLIN JACOB WEINMANN ⁺	LILY MOORE TAGGART*	LILY GRACE GIBSON [^]
<i>Texas A&M University</i>	<i>University of Mississippi</i>	<i>Baylor University</i>
KAITLIN ANNE COLLINS [^]	LAUREN LEE TEETES*	EDWARD GRIFFITH GRAHAM
<i>Texas A&M University</i>	<i>Texas A&M University</i>	<i>Samford University</i>
NAOMI ABIGAIL DANIELS*	BRYNN RENEE WILSON [^]	TYLER CRAWFORD LONG
<i>Rice University</i>	<i>Texas A&M University</i>	<i>Samford University</i>
ALLYSON PAIGE DZINA*	COLSON ANDREW ZAK*	ANDREW DARREN MORGAN*
<i>Baylor University</i>	<i>Texas A&M University</i>	<i>Biola University</i>
LUKE MICHAEL FESLER*	WESLEY ROBERT ANDERSON ⁺	AVERY RUTH PROUSE ⁺
<i>Clemson University</i>	<i>Samford University</i>	<i>Samford University</i>
CALEB BENJAMIN HOOK*	JAKE FLETCHER BLACK [^]	NOAH YONGCHUN THOMASON*
<i>Westmont College</i>	<i>Samford University</i>	<i>University of Texas at Austin</i>
EMERSON ELLIOT MCGEE [^]	REED JACKSON LEE GRAHAM [^]	MADISON JAMES WINBLOOD [^]
<i>Hope College</i>	<i>Texas A&M University</i>	<i>Biola University</i>
MARK CHARLES SPANGLER*	JENNA CLAIRE MCCLENDON ⁺	
<i>University of Texas at Austin</i>	<i>Savannah College of Art & Design</i>	

*Summa Cum Laude *Magna Cum Laude ^Cum Laude

SENIOR TRIBUTE PRESENTERS

JOHN DAWSON
History Department Faculty

KENNY MARCHETTI,
M.HUM., M.A., TH.M.
English Department Faculty

MICHAEL UNRUH, M.A.
English Department Chair

MICHAEL GOLDEN, TH.M.
Theology Department Chair

AMBER WHITEHEAD, M.A.
Language Department Chair

COMMENCEMENT PROGRAMME

PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL

*Highland Cathedral
Pomp and Circumstance March No.1*

ROEVER/KORB
ELGAR

INVOCATION

Amy W. Anderson
Board of Trustees Chair

SCRIPTURE READING

Philippians 1:6-7,9-11

Lily Taggart
Senior Class President

WELCOME AND RECOGNITION

Robert Littlejohn, Ph.D.
Head of School

CONFERRING OF DIPLOMAS

Robert Littlejohn, Ph.D.
Head of School

Christopher Schmidt, Ph.D.
Rhetoric School Head

HYMN

Lead On, O King Eternal

HYMN 269

SALUTATORY ADDRESS

Molly Bovenkamp

CONFERRING OF DIPLOMAS

MUSICAL SELECTION

Be Thou My Vision, ARR. SORENSON

Covenant Singers

VALEDICTORY ADDRESS

William Weiss

CONFERRING OF DIPLOMAS

CLOSING PRAYER

Tony Long
Former Covenant Trustee and Senior Dad

SCHOOL SONG

Non Nobis Domine
*Non nobis, Domine, Domine, non nobis Domine,
Sed nomini, sed nomini, Tuo da gloriam.*
(PLEASE STAND)

DOYLE

RECESSIONAL

Lift High the Cross

HYMN 826

POSTLUDE

CRUCIFER

ANNABEL WALKER

MUSICIANS

MARY PRESTON

ORGANIST

DON SHANNON

BAGPIPER

KAREN CLARK

DIRECTOR

BANNER BEARERS

MIMI BROWN

HAYDEN MOORE

WYLIEKATE WHITEHEAD

USHERS

GEORGIA ANDERSON

LISETTE BUTLER

PEYTON GANSS

EMMA HOWELL

HUDSON JENSEN

NOLAN LEAL

RYDER MCFARLANE

GIGI SCULLY

BRADY SHAHAN

WILL SPERRING

LUKE THOMASON

CHARLOTTE TOMPKINS

CLASS SHIELD BEARERS*

CLASS OF 2027 CHLOE THOMAS

CLASS OF 2026 CHARISSE ABILOGUN

CLASS OF 2025 LUKE HARPER

CLASS OF 2024 LOGAN RICE

CLASS OF 2023 WILLIAM WEISS

ACADEMIC REGALIA

The symbolism of academic regalia dates back to twelfth-century Europe. Until early in the last century, the gowns were worn during classes from secondary school onward, as is still the tradition at Oxford University. Today the gowns are reserved for particular convocations and processions only. Hoods, draped over the shoulders and down the back, indicate the academic discipline, the degree-granting institution, and level of mastery an academician has attained. The mortarboard caps represent the practical wisdom and constructive applicability of the degreed achievement. The tassels represent the appropriate adornment of knowledge and understanding. They are fastened to the center of the caps and are worn in the left front quadrant until a degree is awarded and then they are shifted to the right front quadrant following commencement. The colored cords and medallions signify the wearers' membership in various honor societies.

*The tradition of each class bearing a shield began in May 2004 when the class of 2010 presented a custom-made shield as a gift to the Grammar School upon their rise from the Grammar School into the Logic School. This tradition has since moved to the eighth grade class as they matriculate to the Rhetoric School. These shields represent a legacy of love and encouragement for the lower grades to follow.

MISSION STATEMENT

To glorify God by equipping students with the tools necessary to pursue a lifetime of learning so that they may discern, reason, and defend truth in service to our Lord, Jesus Christ.