Inauguration Ceremony

Prelude
Messiah College Wind Ensemble
Bradley J. Genevro, D.M.A., Conductor

Fanfare and Inaugural Procession*
Messiah College Brass Choir
William J. Stowman, D.M.A., Conductor

Fanfare composed by Messiah College Professor Emeritus
William Higgins, Ph.D., for the Inauguration of
President Kim S. Phipps

Order of the Procession
MESSIAH COLLEGE FLAG
INTERNATIONAL FLAGS OF THE STUDENT BODY
DELEGATES AND LEARNED SOCIETIES
SCHOOL FLAGS
MESSIAH COLLEGE COMMUNITY OF EDUCATORS
MESSIAH COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
PLATFORM PARTY AND PRESIDENT PHIPPS

Welcome
Eunice F. Steinbrecher
Chair, Messiah College Board of Trustees

Greetings
The Honorable Patricia H. Vance
Pennsylvania State Senator
The Honorable Todd R. Platts
U.S. Congressman

Invocation
D. Ray Heisey, Ph.D.
Professor Emeritus, Kent State University

Hymn*
Be Thou My Vision
Led by Damian Savarino, M.M.
Lecturer in Music, Messiah College

* Denotes Audience Standing

Scripture Reading
Ronald G. Johnson, Ph.D.
President, Malone College

Prayer of Thanksgiving
Betty Hall Jones, Ph.D.
Associate Professor, University of Georgia

Special Music
The Dream Isaiah Saw
by Glenn Rudolph
Messiah College Concert Choir
Linda L. Tedford, M.M., Director
Philip Graybill, Soloist

Reading
Brooke Phipps

Introduction of President Phipps
D. Kelly Phipps, J.D.

Inaugural Address
Kim S. Phipps, Ph.D.
Eighth President of Messiah College

Response to the Address
Paul Nisly, Ph.D.
Professor of English, Messiah College

Charge to the President
Richard Hughes, Ph.D.
Distinguished Professor of Religion and History,
Pepperdine University

Installation of the President*
Eunice F. Steinbrecher

Ms. Steinbrecher:
Please stand together and join in this responsive litany, reading the part of the community that you represent.

Ms. Steinbrecher:
We have gathered today to affirm Dr. Kim S. Phipps who has been chosen to serve as the eighth president of Messiah College. Over the past seven years, we have witnessed her outstanding work as academic dean, provost, and interim president. I am pleased to publicly acknowledge her gifts and celebrate her inauguration as president. Therefore, at this time, I am prepared to hear the affirmations of the College community.

Ms. Steinbrecher:
As members of the board of trustees, charged with the overall governance of Messiah College, what is your response?

Board of Trustees:
We pledge to support and pray for Dr. Phipps as she leads the College in her role as president.

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Ms. Steinbrecher:
As the community of educators, administrators, staff, and students of Messiah College, who have daily and varied responsibilities on campus, what is your response?

The Campus Community:
We pledge to support and pray for Dr. Phipps as she leads the College in her role as president.

Ms. Steinbrecher:
As Messiah College alumni, friends, family, and members of the extended community, who in your various roles relate to the College, what is your response?

The Extended Community:
We pledge to support and pray for Dr. Phipps as she leads the College in her role as president.

Ms. Steinbrecher:
Dr. Phipps, you have heard the affirmation and support of the board of trustees, the campus community, and members of the larger community gathered here this morning. In light of these affirmations and support, are you prepared, in the presence of the witnesses gathered today on this campus, to commit yourself to this new trust and responsibility?

Dr. Phipps:
I covenant with this College and those gathered here to faithfully execute the duties of president of Messiah College. With the gracious help of God and this wonderful community I will seek to provide visionary leadership that will enable Messiah College to fulfill its unique and compelling mission.

Ms. Steinbrecher:
Dr. Phipps, may you dignify your office with wisdom, leadership, devotion, compassion, hospitality, and godliness, and so fulfill the confidence we have placed in you. We pledge to you our praying hearts, discerning minds, and supporting hands that you may live together unto the praise and glory of God and betterment of humankind through our commitment to this academic community. And now, with the full confidence of the board of trustees, joined by the affirmations of all those gathered here today, we believe that you will continue to lead this College with wisdom and courage. Dr. Kim S. Phipps, in the presence of God and this gathering, and by the authority of the board of trustees, I declare that you are the President of Messiah College. We entrust you to God’s never-failing direction, care, and love.

Presentation of the Presidential Stole
Eunice F Steinbrecher
D. Ray Hostetter, Ph.D.
Sixth President of Messiah College

Inaugural Prayer of Blessing
Eldon Fry, D.Min.
College Pastor

Special Music
Fanfare for an Uncommon President
Composed by Richard Roberson, Ph.D.,
Dean, Messiah College School of the Arts,
for the Inauguration of President Kim S. Phipps
Messiah College Brass Choir

Presentation of Presidential Gifts
Brethren in Christ Church
Warren Hoffman, D. Min.
Moderator, Brethren in Christ Church

Messiah College Parents Council
Eugene Spencer
Chair, Parents Council

Messiah College Alumni Council
Jeffrey Horst
Chair, Alumni Council

Messiah College Students
Maggie Arnold
President, Messiah College Student Government Association

Messiah College Staff Council
Kelli Kraus
Chair, Messiah College Staff Council

Messiah College Administrative Council
Michael Blount
Vice-Chair, Messiah College Administrative Council

Messiah College Community of Educators
David Vader, Ph.D.
Chair, Messiah College Community of Educators

Messiah College Board of Trustees
Mark Gars, Ed.D.
Vice-Chair, Messiah College Board of Trustees

Hymn*
Praise to the Lord, the Almighty
Led by Damian Savarino

Spoken Benediction*
The Reverend Charles Mills

Choral Benediction*
The Lord Bless You and Keep You
by Peter Lutkin
Messiah College Concert Choir

Recessional*
Messiah College Brass Choir

Following the inauguration ceremony, all guests are invited to attend a complimentary Community Luncheon in Hitchcock Arena, located on the ground floor of Sollenberger Sports Center.

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