

# Inauguration Ceremony

<b>Prelude</b>	Messiah College Wind Ensemble Bradley J. Genevro, D.M.A., <i>Conductor</i>
<b>Fanfare and Inaugural Procession*</b>	Messiah College Brass Choir William J. Stowman, D.M.A., <i>Conductor</i>  <i>Fanfare composed by Messiah College Professor Emeritus William Higgins, Ph.D., for the Inauguration of President Kim S. Phipps</i>  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
<b>Welcome</b>	Eunice F. Steinbrecher <i>Chair, Messiah College Board of Trustees</i>
<b>Greetings</b>	The Honorable Patricia H. Vance <i>Pennsylvania State Senator</i>  The Honorable Todd R. Platts <i>U.S. Congressman</i>
<b>Invocation</b>	D. Ray Heisey, Ph.D. <i>Professor Emeritus, Kent State University</i>
<b>Hymn*</b>	<i>Be Thou My Vision</i> Led by Damian Savarino, M.M. <i>Lecturer in Music, Messiah College</i>

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<b>Scripture Reading</b>	Ronald G. Johnson, Ph.D. <i>President, Malone College</i>
<b>Prayer of Thanksgiving</b>	Betty Hall Jones, Ph.D. <i>Associate Professor, University of Georgia</i>
<b>Special Music</b>	<i>The Dream Isaiah Saw</i> by Glenn Rudolph Messiah College Concert Choir Linda L. Tedford, M.M., <i>Director</i> Philip Graybill, <i>Soloist</i>
<b>Reading</b>	Brooke Phipps
<b>Introduction of President Phipps</b>	D. Kelly Phipps, J.D.
<b>Inaugural Address</b>	Kim S. Phipps, Ph.D. <i>Eighth President of Messiah College</i>
<b>Response to the Address</b>	Paul Nisly, Ph.D. <i>Professor of English, Messiah College</i>
<b>Charge to the President</b>	Richard Hughes, Ph.D. <i>Distinguished Professor of Religion and History, Pepperdine University</i>
<b>Installation of the President*</b>	Eunice F. Steinbrecher

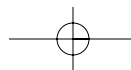
**Ms. Steinbrecher:**  
Please stand together and join in this responsive litany, reading the part of the community that you represent.

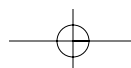
**Ms. Steinbrecher:**  
We have gathered today to affirm Dr. Kim S. Phipps who has been chosen to serve as the eighth president of Messiah College. Over the past seven years, we have witnessed her outstanding work as academic dean, provost, and interim president. I am pleased to publicly acknowledge 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 we 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 Garis, 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

*Please remain standing until the recessional is complete.*

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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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