BATES COLLEGE

ALUMNI MEMORIAL SERVICE

JUNE 11, 2017
THE PETER J. GOMES CHAPEL
Order of Celebration

“To live in this world, you must be able to do three things: To love what is mortal; to hold it against your bones knowing your life depends on it; and when the time comes to let it go, let it go.”
— Mary Oliver, “In Blackwater Woods”

Organ Prelude

Adagio e Dolce
(From the Trio Sonata No. 3 in D minor by Johann Sebastian Bach)

Words of Welcome and Call to Memorial

The Rev. Brittany Longsdorf, Multifaith Chaplain

Gathering Hymn*

“Come Down, O Love Divine”
(Words: Bianco da Siena; trans. Richard Frederick Littledale. Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams)

1 Come down, O Love divine, seek thou this soul of mine,
2 O let it freely burn, till earthly passions turn
3 And so the yearning strong, with which the soul will long,

and visit it with thine own ardor glowing;
to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;
shall far outpass the power of human telling:

O Comforter, draw near, with in my heart appear,
and let thy glorious light shine ever on my sight,
for none can guess its grace, till Love create a place

and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.
and clothe me round, the while my path is illumining.
where in the Holy Spirit makes a dwelling.

*If you are able, please rise.
Reading

Excerpt from the sermon of the Rev. Peter Gomes ’65 at the Bates Alumni Memorial Service, June 13, 2010
Don Miller ’67

We are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, and in our day, and in our time, we will join them. What the young aspire to, what we still aspire to, these are the things that define who we are in this beloved community of memory and hope. And my hope is that we will never fail in that ambition. For, you see, it is our duty to remember.

Duty is a peculiarly Batesie word. You know it, and I know it. It is our duty to remember, to recall that which was, and to preserve the best of that for the time to come. The young, while they are young, may not get it. They get so little. But their time is coming, and some of them will learn from some of us that this duty to remember is not onerous. In many ways it is joyful.

So when we come back and engage in our duty to remember those gone before us, we in some sense are made whole again. Our classmates come back to us. Our experience is complete because of them and with them. And they are given new life in this place, which continues to give life to us and to others.

Musical Interlude

“Allein Gott in der Höh’ sei Ehr’”
(“Alone, God, in Highest Heavens” by Johann Sebastian Bach)

Reflection from the Class of 1992
Karen Finocchio Lubeck

Reflection from the Class of 1967
Pam Johnson Reynolds

Reading

“The soil is the great connector of lives, the source and destination of all. It is the healer and restorer and resurrector, by which disease passes into health, age into youth, death into life. Without proper care for it we can have no community, because without proper care for it we can have no life.”

—Wendell Berry, The Unsettling of America: Culture and Agriculture

Homily

The Rev. Brittany Longsdorf, Multifaith Chaplain

Anthem

“Earth Song”
(By Frank Ticheli)

Sing, Be, Live, See...This dark stormy hour,
The wind, it stirs. The scorched earth cries out in vain:
O war and power, you blind and blur.
The torn heart cries out in pain, in pain.
But music and singing have been my refuge,
And music and singing shall be my light.
A light of song, shining strong: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Through darkness and pain and strife,
I’ll sing, I’ll Be, Live, See...Peace. Peace.
Introduction to the Procession of Flowers
The Rev. Raymond Clothier, Associate Multifaith Chaplain

Procession of Flowers
You are invited to bring your flower forward and place it on the Memorial Wall in memory and honor of a beloved friend, family member, classmate, or colleague who has died.

“At the End of the Year”
(By John O’Donohue)
Susan Daillaire Lagueux ’67

One: The particular mind of the ocean
Filling the coastline’s longing
Many: With such brief harvest
Of elegant, vanishing waves
One: Is like the mind of time
Opening us shapes of days.
Many: As this year draws to its end,
We give thanks for the gifts it brought
One: And how they become inlaid within
Where neither time nor tide can touch them.
Many: The days when the veil lifted
And the soul could see delight;
One: When a quiver caressed the heart
In the sheer exuberance of being here.
Many: Surprises that came awake
In forgotten corners of old fields
One: Where expectation seemed to have quenched.
Many: The slow, brooding times
When all was awkward
One: And the wave in the mind
Pierced every sore with salt.
Many: The darkened days that stopped
The confidence of the dawn.
One: Days when beloved faces shone brighter
With light from beyond themselves;
Many: And from the granite of some secret sorrow
A stream of many tears loosened.
One: We bless this year for all we have learned,
For all we loved and lost
All: And for the quiet way it brought us
Nearer to our invisible destination.

Reading of Names
After the reading of the names, we will observe a moment of silence as the bell tolls in memory of the deceased.
Gina Ciobanu ’17, Roland Davis ’92, Wyland Leadbetter ’67, and the Rev. Leslie Stewart Simonson ’67

Choral Response
“Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life”
(Music: Richard Delong, Words: George Herbert)

Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life:
such a way as gives us breath;
such a truth as ends all strife;
such a life as killeth death.
Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength:
such a light as shows a feast;
such a feast as mends in length;
such a strength as makes his guest.
Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart:
such a joy as none can move;
such a love as none can part;
such a heart as joys in love.
Prayers for the Dead

The Mourner’s Kaddish
Rachel Minkovitz ’19

Translation
Exalted and hallowed be God’s great name in this world of Divine creation.
May God rule in our own day, in our own lives, and in the life of all Israel; and let us say, Amen.
Let the Holy One’s great name be blessed forever and ever,
praised and honored, extolled and glorified, adored, and exalted.
Supremely blessed be the Holy One, beyond all blessings and hymns, praises, and consolations,
that may be uttered in this world; and let us say, Amen.
For us and for all Israel, may the blessing of peace and the promise of life come true; and let us say, Amen.
May the One who causes peace to reign in the heavens let peace descend upon us, upon all Israel,
and upon the whole world; and let us say, Amen.

Excerpt from “The Prophet”
(By Kahlil Gibran)
Stephanie Young Abbott ’67

For what is it to die but stand naked in the wind
And to melt into the sun?
And what is it to cease breathing,
But to free the breath from its restless tides,
That it may rise and expand and seek God unencumbered?
Only when you drink from the river of silence
Shall you indeed sing.
And when you have reached the mountain top,
Then you shall begin to climb.
And when the earth shall claim your limbs,
Then shall you truly dance.

From “The Discourse on Happiness”
(Trans. by Thich Nhat Hahn)
S. Richard Kilbourne ’67

To live in a good environment,
to have planted good seeds,
and to realize that you are on the right path —
this is the greatest happiness.

To have a chance to learn and grow,
to be skillful in your profession or craft,
practicing the precepts and loving speech —
this is the greatest happiness.

To be able to serve and support your parents,
to cherish your own family,
to have a vocation that brings you joy —
this is the greatest happiness.
To live honestly, generous in giving, to offer support to relatives and friends, living a life of blameless conduct — this is the greatest happiness.

To live in the world with your heart undisturbed by the world, with all sorrows ended, dwelling in peace — this is the greatest happiness.

The College Hymn*
“O God, Beneath Thy Guiding Hand”
(Music: Duke Street. Words: Leonard Bacon, 1838)

O God, beneath thy guiding hand,
Our exiled forebears cross’d the sea;
And when they trod the wintry strand,
With pray’r and psalm they worship’d Thee.

Thou heards’t, well-pleased, the song, the prayer;
Thy blessing came; and still its power
Shall onward, through all ages, bear
The memory of that holy hour.

Laws, freedom, truth, and faith in God
Came with those exiles o’er the waves;
And where their pilgrim feet have trod
The God they trusted guards their graves.

And here Thy name, O God of love,
Their children’s children shall adore,
Till these eternal hills remove
And spring adorns the earth no more.

Benediction*
The Rev. Raymond Clothier, Associate Multifaith Chaplain

Organ Postlude**
Toccata
(from Organ Symphony No. 5 by Charles Marie Widor)

The Rev. Brittany Longsdorf, Multifaith Chaplain
The Rev. Raymond Clothier, Associate Multifaith Chaplain
Bagpipe music by Kate Savidge

Special thanks to all those who helped with today’s service.

*If you are able, please rise.
**Please be seated for the Postlude.
Mira Briggs Dow ’35  January 31, 2012
June Sawyer Stevens ’35  January 17, 2017
Charlotte Stiles Kuhn ’36  July 22, 2016
Virginia Harriman Baker ’38  November 7, 2015
Dorothy Kennedy Prince ’38  January 20, 2017
Dorothy Adler Bridges ’39  December 20, 2016
Trenor F. Goodell Jr. ’39  September 17, 2016
Sherman G. Shapiro ’39  December 30, 2016
Esther Strout Allen ’40, P’59, P’65  December 13, 2016
Virginia Yeomans Ansheles ’40  April 16, 2017
Joan Wells Dorman ’40, P’68, P’70  April 18, 2016
Leslie L. Thomas ’40  February 25, 2017
Percy T. Whitney ’40  July 7, 2016
Stella Clifford Gray ’41  May 31, 2016
Ruth Goss Leavitt ’41  August 2, 2016
William B. Lever ’41  June 26, 2016
Jeanne Bertocci McVeygh ’41  March 6, 2017
Winnifred Hansen Seaver ’41  March 25, 2017
David D. Nickerson ’42, P’67  October 13, 2016
Catherine Glazier Burnight ’43  April 4, 2016
Elia Santilli Carver ’43  November 10, 2016
Henry G. Corey ’43  October 23, 2016
John C. Stahlberger ’43  July 3, 2016
Edward L. Thomas ’43  March 21, 2017
Harold D. Wheeler ’43  March 7, 2017
Ann Dearborn Brewitt ’44  October 13, 2016
Hazel L. Deming ’44  April 4, 2016
Richard L. Keach ’44, P’79  March 1, 2016
Alfreda Lesniewski Brousseau ’49  November 7, 2015
Lorna MacGray Tuthill ’44  March 22, 2016
Rae Walcott Blackmon ’50, HC’51  November 13, 2016
Richard Stern ’49  February 17, 2018
Elaine Harvey Somerville ’49  June 29, 2016
Harry E. Porter ’50  August 9, 2016
Janice Prince Washburn ’47  April 21, 2017
Grace Lardner Manning ’48  September 2, 2016
Francis E. Richards ’48  July 17, 2008
Robert C. Woodward ’48  March 29, 2017
Arlene Bourne Begin ’49  November 21, 2016
Alfreda Lesniewski Brousseau ’49  October 13, 2016
Marilyn Bayer DeLaney ’49  November 1, 2016
Donna Golder Henderson ’49, P’82  September 2, 2016
Birgit Svane Libbey ’49  September 21, 2016
Samuel P. Sawyer ’49  May 4, 2016
Richard Stern ’49  January 28, 2017
Everett L. Tuttle ’49  August 9, 2016
Rae Walcott Blackmon ’50, P’77  September 28, 2016
Harold E. Porter ’50  August 10, 2016
Joyce Lyon Simpson ’50  November 13, 2016
Elaine Annas Bailey ’51, P’82  September 27, 2016
James W. Balentine ’51  January 28, 2016
Janet Wilbur Blake ’51  December 3, 2013
Charles E. Clark ’51, GP’00  January 9, 2017
Robert R. Crandall ’51  February 6, 2016
Nancy Brandes Flewellin ’51  February 13, 2017
William Hendricks Jr. ’51  March 21, 2017
Ralph S. Hoyt ’51  November 23, 2016
Stanford R. Inman ’51  August 16, 2016
Naomi Mckee Purkis ’51, P’80, P’82, P’87  February 13, 2017
Richard A. Westphal ’51  March 16, 2017
Susan Martin Ames ’52, P’82  August 20, 2016
John M. Dooling ’52  January 5, 2017
Barbara Ellis Hennessy ’52  April 26, 2017
Mary Berryment Needham ’52, P’76  December 16, 2016
Gary P. Somers ’52, GP’06, GP’09  September 23, 2016
Arthur F. Thurbur ’52  March 30, 2017
William M. Valinsky Jr. ’52  February 18, 2017
Robert E. Lennon ’53  December 8, 2014
Edward E. Malefakis ’53  August 22, 2016
Raymond D. Mutter ’53  November 29, 2016
David L. Welch ’53  July 11, 2016
Richard L. Whitham ’53  July 27, 2013
Audrey Bardos Allan ’54, P’83  October 30, 2016
Joan E. Slawsky ’54  April 2, 2017
Paul L. Callan ’54  August 17, 2008
Elizabeth Barber Dougherty ’54  October 13, 2016
Patricia Lawrence Humphrey ’54  December 2, 2016
Richard M. Liebe ’54  October 18, 2016
Mario B. LoMonaco ’54  February 5, 2017
Robert E. Simons ’54  December 7, 2016
Raphael Vena ’54  December 7, 2016
Myrna Milton Cook ’55  January 4, 2017

In Memoriam

Names of those who have passed away or those whose passing we have learned about in the last year
Barbara Frances B. Oliver  May 25, 2011
S. Basil Paras  March 20, 2017
Lorraine C. Peck  March 20, 2015
Mary B. Reynolds  October 18, 2016
Marvin A. Rich  November 12, 2007
Robert R. Scott  September 7, 2014
Robert Spitzer  December 25, 2015
W. Lee Stewart  July 2, 2011
Dale Thomas  June 18, 2016
Gertie P. Whitham  December 28, 2012
Irene G. Drake HC’35  October 9, 2002
Ruth S. Renaud HC’39  May 17, 2016
Louisa W. Day HC’43  July 15, 2008
Dorothy J. Milton HC’48  February 1, 2016
Marjorie C. Paley HC’49  December 20, 2008
Helen H. Patterson HC’51  August 8, 2016
Margaret L. Hamill GP’05  February 20, 2007

Honorary Degree Recipients
Dahlov Ipcar HC’91, D.F.A.’91
Gwendolyn L. Ifill LD’12

Parents and Grandparents
Joanna C. Benintende P’82  July 21, 2016
David M. Cargill P’80  July 14, 2016
Stefanie L. Friedman-Shea P’19  April 16, 2016
Ann L. Hunter P’85  December 1, 1983
Patricia R. Johnson P’04  January 14, 2017
H. Russell Kunz P’83  March 4, 2015
L. Kathleen Mandel P’89  November 25, 2014
David Payne P’90  July 25, 2014
Shirley O. Stetson HC’36, GP’01  May 20, 2016
Irving K. Stark P’76  May 15, 2015
Joanna B. Henderson P’78  March 15, 2015
Gordon G. Pasquale HC’50, P’80  December 15, 2016
Frank G. Pasquali HC’50, P’80  February 19, 2016
Edward H. Benintende P’82  May 31, 2013
John E. Howard P’86  June 24, 2014
Roger L. Knott P’89, P’90  August 28, 2008
Ira Miller P’97  March 31, 2009
Larry H. Snyder GP’97  June 18, 2016
Allan F. Arbus P’99  April 19, 2013
Peter Stavropoulos P’99  January 8, 2017
Cass Canfield Jr. P’00  July 30, 2013
Norman L. Peck P’00  April 16, 2016
Daniel J. McCarthy P’03  February 26, 2017
Alison R. Bernstein P’09  June 30, 2016

Staff (Current and Retired)
Frances V. Bailey  August 8, 2016
Robert Bowen  March 16, 2017
Maurice E. Carrier  August 22, 2016
Jack A. Goodwin  January 16, 2017
Kenneth Moore  March 17, 2017
Germaine J. Morin  January 11, 2017
Carl J. Rand  May 22, 2016
Theresa B. Shostak  July 28, 2016
Paul M. Scott  December 26, 2016
Katie L. Vale  November 27, 2016
Beatrice C. Verville  November 20, 2016
Walter L. Wood  May 26, 2016

Members of the Bates community who died after May 1, 2017, will be honored in 2018.