



# UNIVERSITY OF DIVINITY

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*Graduation Address  
delivered by*

**The Reverend James Winderlich**

**THE CEREMONY** of conferring degrees and awarding diplomas and certificates is a time-honoured ritual performed at universities throughout the world. It is the moment when awards are formally made, and is a celebration of the achievements of the graduands.

Graduation ceremonies at the University of Divinity celebrate the academic excellence of our students, honour our collegiate structure and reveal the richness of the many Christian traditions which shape our identity.

The ceremony begins with the procession of the University's academic staff, doctoral graduands, distinguished guests, and members of the University's Council, ending with the University Mace and the Chancellor.

As befits a University of Divinity, the first part of the ceremony includes prayer, song, and a reading from scripture.

The formal graduation commences in the second part of the ceremony, when the Chair of the Academic Board certifies to the Chancellor that all graduands listed in the program, whether present or absent, have completed the requirements of their awards as established by the Council and the Academic Board.

Candidates for coursework awards are then presented to the Chancellor, grouped by Colleges and Schools, followed by candidates for research masters' degrees and doctoral awards.

The guest speaker delivers an address, and, following a final song and prayer, the ceremony concludes with the academic procession, now augmented by the new graduates.



WELCOME.

TONIGHT WE GATHER AT ADELAIDE WEST UNITING CHURCH,  
TO WITNESS THE GRADUATION OF 64 STUDENTS.

On behalf of the Council of the University, I am delighted to welcome each graduand to tonight's ceremony. We honour your academic achievements in theology, ministry, education, and more.

It is a particular pleasure tonight to welcome our guest speaker, The Reverend James Winderlich.

At this ceremony, each of you becomes a member of the alumni community of the University of Divinity. Our alumni are found in every corner of the globe, serving their churches and communities in extraordinary ways. As you join them, I trust that you will draw more on your attributes as a graduate of the University, as you continue to learn, articulate, communicate, engage and serve.

I thank all who have come tonight in support of our graduands, including family, friends, colleagues, and members of the University Council and the staff of its Colleges. Your support is invaluable to our graduands and to the University as a whole as it seeks to address the issues of our contemporary world through critical engagement with Christian theological traditions.

*Dr Graeme Blackman AO FTSE FAICD*

*BD 1993, MTheol 2006*

*Chancellor*



*The University Mace, dedicated 2017*



## ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS

### ACADEMIC PROCESSION

Please stand for the procession

### WELCOME TO COUNTRY

Uncle Allen Edwards

### WELCOME

*The Chancellor,*

**Dr Graeme Blackman AO FTSE FAICD**

### OPENING HYMN

Love divine, all loves excelling

### OPENING PRAYER

**The Reverend Lynne Aird**

*Minister, Adelaide West Uniting Church*

### SCRIPTURE READING

**Isaac Stewart Prior**

**BMin 2023**

Matthew 28:16-20

*Reader:* This is the Word of the Lord

*Response:* **Thanks be to God**



## ABOUT THE SPEAKER

The Reverend James Winderlich has served for more than 32 years as a pastor in congregations of the Lutheran Church, and for nine years as Principal of Australian Lutheran College.

Born in Papua New Guinea, James relocated to Australia with his family as a child. Following high school, James worked for three years as a clerk for a building firm. This was a time of vocational discernment for him. In 1985, he moved to Adelaide to commence formal preparation at Luther Seminary to become a pastor in the Lutheran Church of Australia.

Upon graduation, James was assigned to parishes in Queensland where he also served as a part-time police chaplain and helped establish the Fraser Coast Palliative Care Service. In 1996, James and his family returned to South Australia to posts in Paringa and then to Pilgrim Lutheran Church in Magill. While at Pilgrim, James began his service as Board Chair of Finke River Mission. This lasted for eight years.

In 2007, James commenced his service at St Stephen's Lutheran Church, in Adelaide. During this time he engaged in multi-cultural ministry with Nuer Sudanese and Chinese-speaking communities.

Since his appointment as Principal of Australian Lutheran College in 2014, James has been instrumental in implementing the Board's vision and leading the College through challenging times, including the COVID-19 pandemic. James concludes his appointment at the College in 2023 to return to congregational ministry.

*The Reverend James Winderlich*

*BTh, GradDipMin, GradDipHR, CertIVTAE, GCRM, MEd*

## LOVE DIVINE, ALL LOVES EXCELLING



1. Love divine, all loves excelling,  
joy of heav'n to earth come down,  
fix in us thy humble dwelling,  
all thy faithful mercies crown.  
Jesu, thou art all compassion,  
pure unbounded love thou art;  
visit us with thy salvation,  
enter every trembling heart.
2. Come, Almighty, to deliver,  
let us all thy life receive;  
suddenly return and never,  
never more thy temples leave:  
thee we would be always blessing,  
serve thee as thy hosts above,  
pray, and praise thee, without ceasing,  
glory in thy perfect love.
3. Finish then thy new creation,  
pure and spotless let us be,  
let us see thy great salvation,  
perfectly restored in thee:  
changed from glory into glory,  
till with thee we take our place,  
till we cast our crowns before thee,  
lost in wonder, love, and praise.

*Words: Charles Wesley 1707-1788*  
*Music: Rowland H. Prichard (1830)*  
*Together in Song 217(i)*

## HYMN

Here I am, Lord

## INTERCESSIONS

**Bethanie Jacinta Mann**  
**BMin 2023**

**Andrew William Mintern**  
**GCL 2023**

*Response: **Hear our prayer***

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and for ever. Amen.

## REFLECTIVE MUSIC

Adagio for Glass Harmonica  
W. A. Mozart

**Performed by Andrew Ampt**

## THE GRADUATION

## VALEDICTORY ADDRESS

**Matthew Philip Schubert**  
**MTh 2023**

## GRADUATION ADDRESS

**The Reverend James Winderlich**



## HERE I AM, LORD



1. I, the Lord of sea and sky,  
I have heard my people cry.  
All who dwell in dark and sin  
My hand will save.  
I who made the stars of night,  
I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear My light to them?  
Whom shall I send?

### *Refrain*

Here I am, Lord; is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night;  
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.  
I will hold your people in my heart.

2. I, the Lord of snow and rain,  
I have borne my peoples pain;  
I have wept for love of them.  
They turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone,  
Give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak my word to them.  
Whom shall I send?

### *Refrain*

3. I, the Lord of wind and flame,  
I will tend the poor and lame,  
I will set a feast for them.  
My hand will save.  
Finest bread I will provide  
Till their hearts are satisfied.  
I will give my life to them.  
Whom shall I send?

### *Refrain*

*Words: Isaiah 6*  
*Music: Daniel Schutte (1947)*  
*Together in Song 658*

## GRADUATION

The Chair of the Academic Board, **The Reverend Associate Professor Frank Rees**, certifies to the Chancellor that all graduands have completed the requirements of their awards.



### AUSTRALIAN LUTHERAN COLLEGE

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**Emma Allison Crafter** *Undergraduate Certificate in Divinity*  
**Justin Robert Pfrunder** *Undergraduate Certificate in Divinity*  
**Michael Jacob Pollnitz** *Undergraduate Certificate in Divinity*  
**Jessica Kate Prenzler** *Undergraduate Certificate in Divinity*  
**Benjamin John Roennfeldt** *Undergraduate Certificate in Divinity*  
**Zoe Jayne Van Den Berg** *Undergraduate Certificate in Divinity*  
**Carl Derek Eckermann** *Diploma in Theology*  
**Anthony John Fawcett** *Diploma in Theology*  
**Neville Lindsay Fishlock** *Diploma in Theology*  
**Jonathan Andrew Hopkins** *Diploma in Theology*  
**Thomas Benjamin Hutchings** *Diploma in Theology*  
**Yen-Jung Tung** *Diploma in Theology*  
**Luke Joseph Crouch** *Advanced Diploma in Theology and Ministry*

**Thomas Luke Kitson** *Bachelor of Ministry*  
**Bethanie Jacinta Mann** *Bachelor of Ministry*  
**Sean Pierce Hotinski** *Bachelor of Theology*  
**Thomas James Krahling** *Bachelor of Theology*  
**Gillian Rose Webb** *Graduate Certificate in Divinity*  
**Andrew Patrick Kelly** *Graduate Certificate in Leadership*  
**Bianca Jane Munzberg**  
*Graduate Certificate in Teaching Religious Education*  
**Pauline Margaret Alcock** *Graduate Diploma in Theology*  
**Daudi Lazarus** *Graduate Diploma in Theology*  
**Jacob Edgar Darren Fabich** *Master of Divinity*  
**Tania Kaye Fragnito** *Master of Education and Theology*  
**Matthew Philip Schubert** *Master of Theology*

### CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

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**Suraj Mattappallil Jose** *Diploma in Theology*  
**Blake John Crossley** *Bachelor of Theology*  
*and Advanced Diploma in Philosophy*  
**Edward Jonas Ibarra** *Bachelor of Theology*  
**Heather Anne Kennedy** *Bachelor of Theology*

**Thi Viet Nguyen** *Bachelor of Theology*  
**Jesington Logu Julious Logu** *Graduate Certificate in Divinity*  
**Filipe Cardoso Sarmento** *Graduate Diploma in Theology*  
**Tien Van Tran** *Master of Theology*

### EVA BURROWS COLLEGE

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**Rachal Enid Mills** *Undergraduate Certificate in Divinity*  
**Renata Davies** *Diploma in Theology*

**Renae Phillips** *Advanced Diploma in Theology and Ministry*  
**Alice Elizabeth Edge** *Bachelor of Ministry*



## PILGRIM THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

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**Benjamin John Waghorn** *Diploma in Theology*

**Jemma Kelly Whittaker**

*Graduate Certificate in Children and Families Ministry*

**Brent Michael Pelton** *Graduate Diploma in Divinity*

**Daniel John Slater** *Master of Theological Studies*

## ST ATHANASIUS COLLEGE

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**Marina Bassilios** *Graduate Certificate in Divinity*

## ST BARNABAS COLLEGE

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**Dean John McDonald** *Bachelor of Theology*

## ST FRANCIS COLLEGE

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**Shane Leonard St Reynolds** *Diploma in Theology*

## STIRLING COLLEGE

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**Linda Gayle Young** *Graduate Certificate in Divinity*

**Ruth Adamovics** *Master of Counselling*

## UNITING COLLEGE FOR LEADERSHIP AND THEOLOGY

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**Isaac Stewart Prior** *Bachelor of Ministry*

**Tatiana Gennadievna Wood** *Bachelor of Theology*

**Melanie Gladys Hechenberger** *Graduate Certificate in Theology*

**Abby Aurelie Zensea** *Graduate Certificate in Theology*

**Vicki Anne Webb** *Graduate Diploma in Spiritual Direction*

## WHITLEY COLLEGE

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**Kyla Jean Fullerton** *Advanced Diploma in Theology and Ministry*

**Richard John de Kleyn** *Graduate Certificate in Divinity*

**Lawrence Prasad** *Graduate Certificate in Spirituality*

**Nathan Samuel Tarjadi** *Master of Divinity*

## YARRA THEOLOGICAL UNION

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**Mariana Maria Terok** *Master of Theological Studies*



## SCHOOL OF PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE

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### LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

**Andrew William Mintern** (St Barnabas College)  
*Graduate Certificate in Leadership*

### PROFESSIONAL SUPERVISION PROGRAM

**Darryl James Bishop** *Graduate Certificate in Professional Supervision*  
**Cameron John Buchanan**  
*Graduate Certificate in Professional Supervision*

**Brian Leigh Holden** *Graduate Certificate in Professional Supervision*  
**Penelope Louise Martin** *Graduate Certificate in Professional Supervision*  
**Andrew Frank Menzies** *Graduate Certificate in Professional Supervision*  
**Erin Grace Spavin** *Graduate Certificate in Professional Supervision*  
**Aviva Kipen** *Graduate Diploma in Professional Supervision*

## HIGHER DEGREE BY RESEARCH

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### DOCTOR OF MINISTRY

(Conferred on behalf of the Adelaide College of Divinity)

#### Sally Shaw

*Uniting College for Leadership and Theology*

*Thesis: A Creative Workshop: Bringing Christian Faith and  
Creation Care Together*

*Supervisor: Dr Bob Teasdale*

*This thesis examines the increasing motivation of Christians to address and respond to the climate and environmental crisis. Based on extensive literature review, it adopts multiple ways of knowing with a focus on experiential approaches and analysis to challenge and stimulate an understanding of Scripture that reveals the call to care for all God has made. Research culminated in the development of an experiential arts-based workshop for evangelical Christians.*

## VICE-CHANCELLOR'S SCHOLAR 2023

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#### Matthew Philip Schubert

*Australian Lutheran College*

*Matthew is recognised for his commitment to deep learning, the quality of his scholarship and the originality of his thinking. Matthew has maintained the highest levels of academic achievement across all disciplines throughout his studies. His Masters' Capstone, which examined the relevance of micro-churches for church planting in the Lutheran Church of Australia, provided significant missiological insights and is testament to his passion for service of others as expressed in all the University's Graduate Attributes.*

Vice-Chancellor's Scholars are graduands who have demonstrated excellence in one or more of the University's Graduate Attributes. This may include academic excellence, contribution to the College community, and service to wider society. The award is made at the discretion of the Vice-Chancellor on the nomination of the graduand's College.





## DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow

## CONCLUSION

*The Chancellor, Dr Graeme Blackman*

## BLESSING

**The Reverend Lynne Aird**

## ACADEMIC PROCESSION

Please remain standing until the procession has concluded and all graduates have exited the Church.

## REFRESHMENTS

The Chancellor invites graduates and their guests to join him for light refreshments in the College, generously provided by Uniting College for Leadership and Theology.

## DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow



1. Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,  
praise God, all creatures here below,  
praise God above, you heavenly host,  
praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

*Words: Thomas Ken 1637-1711 alt.*

*Music: OLD 100TH*

*Melody from the 'Genevan Psalter', 1551*

*Together in Song 768(i)*

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The Council of the University of Divinity thanks Adelaide West Uniting Church for provision of the venue for this Graduation Ceremony.

Photographer: Sam Winderlich.

Organist: Andrew Ampt

### Preludes:

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring	J. S. Bach
Es ist das Heil uns kommen her	Composer unknown
Prelude in G minor	G. Goltermann
Es ist das heil uns kommen her	D. Buxtehude

### Processional:

Hornpipe from Water Music	G. F. Händel
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### Postlude:

Toccata & Fugue in F major	D. Buxtehude
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## OUR GRADUATE ATTRIBUTES

### LEARN

Graduates are equipped for critical study, especially of Christian texts and traditions.

### ARTICULATE

Graduates articulate theological insight and reflection.

### COMMUNICATE

Graduates communicate informed views through structured argument.

### ENGAGE

Graduates engage with diverse views, contexts and traditions.

### SERVE

Graduates are prepared for the service of others.

## ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY OF DIVINITY

The University of Divinity promotes the highest standards of scholarship in theology, philosophy and ministry. Through scholarship, the University aims to address the issues of the contemporary world. Founded in 1910 as the Melbourne College of Divinity, the University has a long history of pursuing and achieving these aims.

All students and staff join the University through one of its Colleges or Schools. Based in the Australian cities of Adelaide, Brisbane, Melbourne, and Perth, each is a unique learning community that contributes to a theologically diverse and rich culture of scholarship at the University.

Through the Colleges, the University is supported by thirty partners in the churches and religious orders. These include the Anglican, Baptist, Churches of Christ, Coptic Orthodox, Lutheran, Roman Catholic, Salvation Army and Uniting Church traditions.

The University's work is further resourced by the Office of the Vice-Chancellor, which provides support to the Colleges, University Council and Academic Board.

## OUR VISION

Together we empower our learning community to address the issues of the contemporary world through critical engagement with Christian theological traditions.

## OUR MISSION

We fulfil our vision through:

- excellence in learning, teaching, and research;
- growth of our resources and capacity; and
- engagement with the churches and community in Australia and internationally.

## Officers of the University

*Chancellor*

**Dr Graeme Blackman**

AO FTSE FAICD BSc(Hons) BD MTheol PhD

*Deputy Chancellor*

**Professor Gabrielle McMullen**

AM BSc(Hons) PhD

*Vice-Chancellor*

**Professor Peter Sherlock**

BA(Hons) MA DPhil

*Chair of Academic Board*

**The Reverend Associate Professor**

**Frank Rees**

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