



Convocation

September 5, 2023 | Richard Glenn Gettell Amphitheater

PROCESSIONAL

The Five College West African Music Ensemble
Faith Conant, *Visiting Instructor in Music and Director of the Five College
West African Music Ensemble*
Guest lead drummer: Michael Ofori, *Visiting Lecturer in Film Media Theater*
Songs: “Gahu” and “Agbekor”

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Madeline L. Peters, *Director of Accessible Education and 504 Coordinator,
Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion*

WELCOME

Karena Stella '90, *Chair of the Board of Trustees*

ADDRESS

Danielle R. Holley, *President*

REMARKS

Lucas Wilson, *Professor of Economics and Critical Race
and Political Economy on the Ford Foundation*

MUSICAL PERFORMANCE

Mount Holyoke Convocation Choir
Colin Britt, *Lecturer in Music; Director of Choral Activities*
“Prelude” by Ola Gjeilo

GREETINGS

Briana Chace '17, *Staff Council Representative*
Maille Romulus '24, *President, Student Government Association*

CLOSING

Danielle R. Holley, *President*

“ALMA MATER”

Mount Holyoke Convocation Choir
Words: Gertrude Brady Murphy, class of 1914
Music: Gladys Pratt, class of 1914
(lyrics on reverse)

RECESSIONAL

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ALMA MATER

Oh, Mount Holyoke, we pay thee devotion,
In the fervor of youth that is strong,
The courage of right is thy garland,
Our lives, Alma Mater, thy song.
So from east and from west now we gather,
And united in firm love to thee,
All years are as one, and their loyal pledge,
Mount Holyoke forever shall be,
Mount Holyoke forever shall be.

Thro' the heart of a new day's endeavor,
Breathes the life of the old days that live,
For what thou hast given we honor,
But we love thee for what we can give.
So when soft in a whisper thou callest,
For the treasures unlocked by thy key,
Our achievements, our hopes, and our glorious faith
Shall answer, Mount Holyoke, to thee,
Shall answer, Mount Holyoke, to thee.