

"NOW TO HIM WHO IS ABLE TO DO FAR MORE ABUNDANTLY THAN ALL THAT WE ASK OR THINK, ACCORDING TO THE POWER AT WORK WITHIN US, TO HIM BE GLORY IN THE CHURCH AND IN CHRIST JESUS THROUGHOUT ALL GENERATIONS, FOREVER AND EVER. AMEN."

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LIBRARY RENOVATION GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY Friday, May 19, 2017









PROGRAM

Rite of Blessing for Library Renovation Groundbreaking

Processional

Welcome

Dr. Dale A. Meyer, President

Invocation

Dr. Michael Coppersmith, Prayer Warriors

Laudamus performance

Remarks

Professor Rev. Ben Haupt, Director of Library Operations Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Hasse, Donors

Groundbreaking

Blessing and Benediction

Dr. Kent Burreson, Dean of the Chapel

THANK YOU!

With thankfulness to God, we welcome Mr. and Mrs. Glenn and Kay Hasse, their family members, and the family and friends of the Class of 2017 graduates to campus today.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Glenn and Kay, longtime Seminary benefactors who have recently given \$3 million for needed renovations to the library and for student scholarship endowments as part of *Generations: The Campaign for Concordia Seminary*.

The Seminary's two-story, 46,000-square foot library, constructed in 1962, is one of the finest theological libraries in the United States and the second largest Lutheran theological library in North America. The library's collections include treasured original volumes of the Seminary's founding fathers including Dr. C.F.W. Walther, first editions of the *Book of Concord* and composer J.S. Bach's personal Bible. The library is home to more than 270,000 print volumes, a 6,000-volume rare book collection and one of the largest collections of Lutheran Reformation reference materials.

The Hasses' commitment inspired others to join in the effort and, together, generous supporters have raised more than \$6 million for needed renovations that will transform the Seminary's library into a state-of-the-art learning center.



KRISTINE KAY HASSE MEMORIAL LIBRARY

The Hasses' support for the library is in memory of their daughter, Kristine, who died in an automobile accident at the age of 17, and is a testament to their deep love for Concordia Seminary and its mission to prepare pastors, deaconesses, missionaries, teachers and other church leaders for future generations.

"Kristine was a wonderful and mature girl who treasured her Lutheran upbringing," her parents said. "It's extremely important to us that we have pastors in our churches in the future, the kind we saw with our own

children. That's our hope: to help more people to become ministers and church workers."

When the library reopens in fall 2018, it will be named the Kristine Kay Hasse Memorial Library.