



**PILLAR
SEMINARY**

for CONTEXTUAL LEADERSHIP

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES



Good News Church

June 1, 2024

10 o'clock in the morning

Omaha, Nebraska



COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

PROCESSIONAL	Pomp and Circumstance
OPENING PRAYER	Beth Currier, PhD <i>Assistant Professor of Hebrew Bible</i>
APOSTLES' CREED	Beth Currier, PhD
PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS	Rev. Daniel Lowery, PhD <i>President & Associate Professor of New Testament</i>
HYMN	Great is Thy Faithfulness
SCRIPTURE READING Hebrews 12:1-2	Rev. Angela Washington, DMin <i>Fellow in Biblical Contextual Leadership</i>
COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS	Kat Armstrong, MA <i>Bible teacher & Co-Founder of the Polished Network</i>



COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM, CONTD.

PRESENTATION OF
CANDIDATES AND
CONFERRAL OF DEGREES

Rev. Daniel Lowery, PhD

READING OF NAMES

Beth Currier, PhD

DISTRIBUTION OF
CERTIFICATES AND
DIPLOMAS

Rev. Daniel Lowery, PhD

HOODING OF GRADUATES

Bishop Donnell Moore, DMin
*Academic Dean & Professor of
Biblical Contextual Biblical
Leadership*

COMMISSIONING AND
PRAYER

Bishop Donnell Moore, DMin

HYMN

We're Marching to Zion

RECESSIONAL



COMPASSION INTERNATIONAL KENYA PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS

Job Cheptot	Jackson Leteipa Lewauntai
Naomi Jepkoech Cheron	Rose Nabwire Magio
Peter Chesire	Joyce Maringa
Naomi Wanjiku Gitau	Mati Mugao
Anthony Mwangi Kariuki	Sarah Karimi Muriithi
James Kazungu Katana	Richard Mwangi
Galmo Halake Kitito	Vincent Munga Virugu
Grace Wanjiru Kuria	Josephine Njoki Wangare
Jeniffer Naseyo Lesaris	

CANDIDATES FOR CONFERRAL

CERTIFICATE IN CONTEXTUAL LEADERSHIP

Wayne Lewis Osborn
Lindsey Garner Young

MASTER OF ARTS IN CONTEXTUAL LEADERSHIP

Lee Arvin Bickerstaff
Charles Lee Roy Pedersen III
Zachary Carl Willet

MASTER OF DIVINITY

Joseph Daniel Mullarkey
Stephanie Lynn Shores
Rachel Leigh Smith



APOSTLES' CREED

We believe in God,
the Father Almighty,
Creator of Heaven and Earth;
and in Jesus Christ,
His only Son, Our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into Hell.
The third day He arose again from the dead;
He ascended into Heaven,
sitting at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty;
from where He shall come to judge the living and the dead.
We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic* church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.

**catholic means universal*



OUR COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER



Kat Armstrong, MA

Kat Armstrong was born in Houston, Texas, where the humidity ruins her Mexi-German curls. She is a powerful voice in our generation as a sought-after Bible teacher, innovative ministry leader, and the host of the Holy Curiosity podcast.

Kat holds a master's degree from Dallas Theological Seminary and is pursuing a DMin in New Testament from Houston Theological Seminary. Kat is the author of *No More Holding Back*, *The In-Between Place*, and a 6-study Bible study series, the *Storyline Project*. In 2008, Kat co-founded the *Polished Network* to embolden women in their faith and work. And she currently serves as the Director of Marketing and Content for *Integrus Leadership*. She and her husband, Aaron, have been married for twenty-one years and live in Dallas, Texas, with their son, Caleb, and attend Dallas Bible Church, where Aaron serves as the lead pastor.



IN MEMORY OF WAYNE L. OSBORN



Wayne L. Osborn

As we gather today for our 2024 Commencement exercises, please take a moment to remember Wayne Lewis Osborn, who was a cherished member of our Pillar student body and went to be with the Lord on April 19, 2024. Wayne's presence, though no longer physical, continues to resonate within our community, reminding us of his love for others and his passion for learning.

Though his time with us was brief, his impact on our lives will continue through the lives he impacted at our school. In honoring Wayne's memory, please carry forward his legacy of Christ-likeness as you embark on your own journeys beyond Pillar Seminary. Wayne is being awarded a Certificate in Contextual Leadership today in recognition of his successful completion of all requirements for the program. Wayne, will always be a cherished member of the 2024 graduating class, and he will be deeply missed.

Wayne's Obituary is available at pillarseminary.org/wayne



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About Pillar Seminary

Founded in 2014, Pillar Seminary trains its students toward skillful fluency in the Bible and the practiced leadership needed for diverse contexts. Our digital Bible and Leadership training programs are designed to deepen students' understanding of Scripture and increase their effectiveness in ministry, wherever they are, and whatever their contexts may be.

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