



The Class of

2017

*Upper Columbia Academy
Graduation Weekend*

God Will Take Care of You

Be not dismayed what e'er betide,
God will take care of you;
Beneath His wings of love abide,
God will take care of you.

Refrain

*God will take care of you,
Through every day, o'er all the way;
He will take care of you,
God will take care of you.*

Through days of toil when your heart doth fail,
God will take care of you;
When dangers fierce your path assail,
God will take care of you.

Refrain

No matter what may be the test,
God will take care of you;
Lean, weary one, upon His breast,
God will take care of you.

Refrain

Day by Day

Day by day and with each passing moment,
Strength I find to meet my trials here;
Trusting in my Father's wise bestowment,
I've no cause for worry or for fear.
He whose heart is kind beyond all measure
Gives unto each day what He deems best.
Lovingly, its part of pain and pleasure,
Mingling toil with peace and rest.

Help me then in every tribulation
So to trust Thy promises, O Lord,
That I lose not faith's sweet consolation
Offered me within Thy holy Word.
Help me, Lord, when toil and trouble meeting,
E'er to take, as from a Father's hand,
One by one, the days, the moments fleeting,
Till I reach the promised land.

CLASS MOTTO

I know not what the future holds,
but I know Who holds the future.

CLASS TEXT

The Lord is the One going before you;
He Himself will be with you;
He will not fail you nor forsake you.
Do not fear; do not be afraid.
Deuteronomy 31:8

CLASS COLORS

Black, Silver, Wine

CLASS OFFICERS

President	Kiara Welch
Vice-President	Ashley Samuel
Chaplain	Shantae Gallegos
Secretary	Taylor Kelso
Treasurer	Ellie Springer
Historians	Brendan Coon, Isabella Warren
Sports Coordinator	Charles Buursma
Music Coordinator	Kaitlyn Seeley
Sergeant-at-Arms	Andrew Ruud
Student-Faculty Representative	Katrina Santiago

CLASS OF 2017

Aaron Alfaro ▲
José Barreto ❖◆
Madison Bartell ▲❖◆+
Jessica Bleth ▲
Taleigh Bockmann
Charles Buursma ★❖◆
Serena Cardwell ▲
David Collins
Melissa Conradt ▲❖◆
Brendan Coon ▲★
Summer Davis ▲□◆
Graydon Dietrich ❖◆
Kierra Driggs
Thomas Ewert □
Daniel Foss
Carstan Gage ❖◆
Shantae Gallegos ★❖◆
Malachi Gerber
Abigail Guardado
Jadzeah Hall
Jessica Hilde ▲❖◆
Rylan Jones
Joanne Kack □
Taylor Kelso ★□◆
Kayla Kime ▲❖◆
Cody Larkin
Serena Lee

Natalie Levin
Olivia Medavarapu ▲□◆
Alexis Mendoza ▲
Cedric Merrills
José Montes ▲
Elizabeth Neacsu ▲
Daniel Nesteruk ▲□
Kaleb Pearsall
Andrew Robinson □
Andrew Ruud ★❖◆
KateLyn Ruud ▲□
Ashley Samuel ★□◆
Katrina Santiago ▲★❖◆+
Lukas Schroetlin
Kaitlyn Seeley ★□◆
Sierra Shupe □◆
Ellie Springer ★❖◆
Braden Tanner □
Chase Tanner
Serina Thomson ❖◆
Joseph Threadgill □◆
Jared Titus ❖◆
Emma Tucker ▲❖◆
Isabella Warren ▲★□◆
Kiara Welch ★❖◆
Eva Wiggins ▲❖◆
YiLin Xu ❖◆

+ 4.0 Grade Point Average
▲ Four-year Senior
❖ High Honors

□ Honors
◆ National Honor Society
★ Officer

CLASS SPONSORS

Charles Hartman, Judy Castrejón, Bob Lenz, and John Winslow

JUNIOR CLASS PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT

Colby Brookins and Jonathan Terry

ORGANISTS

John Oss

Mark Haberman

CONSECRATION

June 2, 2017 - 7:30 p.m.

Prelude		Organist
Junior Processional	“Entrata Festiva” <i>John Oss</i>	David Lasky
Senior Processional	“Gavotte” <i>John Oss</i>	William Boyce
Welcome		Kaitlyn Seeley
Hymn	“God Will Take Care of You”	Congregation
Invocation		Rylan Jones
Special Music	“Oh My Soul” <i>Summer Davis, Joanne Kack, & Sierra Shupe</i>	Casting Crowns
Special Tributes		Class of 2017
Scripture	Romans 8:31	Serina Thomson
Introduction of Speaker	Katrina Santiago & Sierra Shupe	
Consecration Address	“If God Is For Us... If?”	Kyle Gladding
Benediction		Jadzeah Hall
Recessional	“Ein feste Burg ist unser Gott” <i>John Oss</i>	Homer Whitford

SABBATH SCHOOL

June 3, 2017 - 10:00 a.m.

Prelude		Kayla Kime
Song Service		Class of 2017
Welcome		Alexis Mendoza
Prayer		Andrew Ruud
Special Music	“Little Fugue in g minor” <i>Brass Quintet</i>	J.S. Bach, arr. Mills
Scripture	1 Peter 1:3	Serena Lee
Call for Offering		Madison Bartell
Offertory	“Onward Christian Soldiers” <i>YiLin Xu</i>	arr. Arthur S. Sullivan
Introduction of Speaker		Ellie Springer
Devotional Thoughts	“Living Hope”	David Springer
Closing Prayer		Aaron Alfaro

BACCALAUREATE

June 3, 2017 - 11:00 a.m.

Prelude		Organist
Senior Processional	“Solemn Procession” <i>John Oss</i>	Lloyd Webber
Welcome and Announcements		Cedric Merrills
Invocation		Charles Buursma
Hymn	“Day by Day”	Congregation
Call for Offering		Elizabeth Neacsu
Offertory	“Troika” <i>Thomas Ewert</i>	P.I. Tchaikovsky
Scripture	2 Timothy 1:7	Emma Tucker
Prayer		Joseph Threadgill
Special Music	“Nothing Without You” <i>Emma Tucker, KateLyn Ruud, Kaitlyn Seeley</i>	Will Reagan
Introduction of Speaker		José Barreto
Baccalaureate Address	“Here Be Dragons”	Judy Castejón
Benediction		José Montes
Recessional	“Holiday for Trumpets” <i>John Oss</i>	Leo Sowerby

SUNDOWN MEDITATION

June 3, 2017 - 8:30 p.m.

Welcome		Olivia Medavarapu
Opening Prayer		Jared Titus
Special Music	“I Am Thine, O Lord” <i>Serena Lee, Elizabeth Neacsu, Kari Rose, Grace Ahola</i>	arr. Gordon Schuster
Devotional Thought		Misael Barba
Special Music	“Prelude in c# minor” <i>Isabella Warren</i>	Sergei Rachmaninov
Closing Prayer		YiLin Xu

CLASS NIGHT

June 3, 2017 - 9:15 p.m.

Welcome and Announcements		Kierra Driggs
Opening Prayer		Abigail Guardado
Special Music	“See You Again” <i>Class of 2017</i>	Wiz Khalifa
Introduction of Officers		Charles Hartman
President’s Address		Kiara Welch
Special Music	“Romance” <i>Kayla Kime</i>	J. Sibelius
Presentation of Class Gift		Ashley Samuel
Presentation of the Class of 2017		Brendan Coon & Isabella Warren
Closing Prayer		Jessica Bleth

COURTESY INFORMATION

Commencement is a joyful and dignified occasion. We appreciate everyone conducting themselves accordingly. Graduates and families look forward to this milestone with excitement and anticipation, and appropriate conduct by everyone will create positive memories for all who attend.

We ask that you express your excitement in ways that will not prevent others from hearing the speakers and enjoying the ceremony (no horn-blowing, Silly String, or fireworks for reasons of courtesy and personal safety). We request that no glitter or confetti be used in order to preserve the new carpet. Please stay off the stage and stairs.

Cell phones and pagers should be turned to their silent operating modes to help ensure that all guests can hear and enjoy the activities.

Doors will be opened one hour before each service.

GRADUATION HANDSHAKE PICTURES

A professional photographer will take a diploma handshake photo of each graduate during the ceremony on Sunday, and you may order the photo from the representative in the gym lobby prior to Commencement. You may also order online at www.northern-exposures.com. Please honor the photographer's field of view.

LIVE STREAM AVAILABLE

All weekend programs will be live streamed. View the video stream online at "www.ucaa.org/live". A link to the written program is available on the site.

COMMENCEMENT

June 4, 2017 - 10:00 a.m.

Prelude		Organist
Junior Processional		Organist
Senior Processional	"Pomp and Circumstance" <i>Mark Haberman</i>	Edward Elgar
Invocation		Natalie Levin
Welcome		Melissa Conratt
Scripture	Psalms 34:10	Eva Wiggins
Special Music	"Variants on A Mighty Fortress" <i>Brass Choir</i>	Elliot del Borgo
Introduction of Speaker		Cody Larkin
Commencement Address	"Tired Lions and the King's Delight"	Fred Riffel
Special Music	"The Last Words of David" <i>Choraliers</i>	Randall Thompson
Board Chairman's Challenge		Dr. Paul Hoover
Presentation of Scholarships	Jodi Wagner, Walla Walla University	
Presentation of Diplomas	John Winslow, Principal Florence Lacey, VP for Academics	
Benediction		Andrew Robinson
Senior Recessional		Organist