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## Winter Commencement

Winter Commencement at Concordia promises to be the largest one on record! There are 166 total graduates, and 140 of them will be walking on the morning of December fourteenth.

The Baccalaureate service will start at 9 a.m. at Saint Michael's Church (6700 NE 29<sup>th</sup>); the speaker will be Doctor Joseph Mannion, of the Concordia Education Department. The Commencement will begin at 11 a.m. in the Concordia Gym and the speaker chosen for the occasion is the Reverend Doctor Chris Reinke of Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, Anchorage, Alaska.

Besides being the Commencement speaker, Dr. Reinke will also receive an Honorary Degree of Doctor of Laws from Concordia University. As the founder of the Alaskan Road Ministry, Dr. Reinke has been instrumental in equipping and using lay people for Word and Sacrament ministry in up to 53 Alaskan communities. Dr. Reinke has also written and edited a number of books and manuals for use in the church.

Unlike Spring Commencement, there will be no tickets sold. The Gym is open to all people who want to support the graduates. A reception will follow immediately in the dining hall.

