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EVELYN CHAPEL
Illinois Wesleyan University
Wednesday, January 29, 2003 at 11:00 AM

A CELEBRATION OF THE LIFE OF
PRESIDENT EMERITUS LLOYD M. BERTHOLF

(December 15, 1899–January 20, 2003)
President of the University (1958-1968)

A BIOGRAPHY OF
LLOYD M. BERTHOLF



Lloyd M. Bertholf, president of Illinois Wesleyan University from 1958-68, an era of marked growth and progress on campus, died Monday, January 20, at age 103.

A nationally regarded biologist, Bertholf was renowned for his research on the physiology and behavior of honeybees. A graduate of Southwestern College in Winfield, Kan., he received his M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, where he studied zoology and chemistry.

Under a Rockefeller fellowship, Bertholf conducted post-doctoral research with famed scientist Karl von Frisch into insect behavior in 1930-31 at the University of Munich in Germany.

Bertholf taught biology at North Carolina Women's College in Greensboro from 1922-24. He was professor of biology and later dean of the faculty at Western Maryland from 1924-48. He became professor of zoology and dean of the college at College of the Pacific in Stockton, Calif., in 1948, and was named academic vice president there in 1957 before being elected the 14TH president at Illinois Wesleyan in October of that year.

During Bertholf's presidency, Illinois Wesleyan experienced significant growth in every area—the size of the enrollment, the size of the faculty, campus acreage, and endowment. The University's School of Nursing was established during Bertholf's presidency. He also pioneered Illinois Wesleyan's January Term, now known as May Term, an intensive, month-long period when students take a single course or work on an internship.

Following his retirement from Illinois Wesleyan, Bertholf was president for one year of the Central States College Association, a consortium of 11 Midwest campuses. He also served as a science consultant to Ewha Women's University in Seoul, South Korea, in 1969-70. He was the recipient of an honorary doctor of humanities degree from Illinois Wesleyan in 1975.

He was a member of four academic honor societies: Phi Beta Kappa, Sigma Xi, Phi Kappa Phi, and Beta Beta Beta, the national biology honorary, serving as the group's national president from 1946-53.

Surviving is a daughter, Dr. Lynn B. Westcot of Normal; a son, Dr. Max E. (Nancy) Bertholf, Daleville, Va.; six grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and a sister, Faye McCoy, Wichita, Kan. Bertholf's wife, Martha, predeceased him in August 1999 at the age of 101.

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ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Lou Ann Fillingham '78, organ.

(please be in silent meditation)

Adagio in A Minor

J. S. Bach (1685–1750)

REFLECTIONS ON PRESIDENT BERTHOLF'S LIFE AND
LEADERSHIP

President Minor Myers, jr.

COLLECT *(in unison)*

Led by Chaplain Groh '61

Lord, thou art life, though I be dead,
Love's fire thou art, however cold I be;
Nor heaven have I, nor place to lay my head,
Nor home, but thee. Amen¹

CELEBRATING DR. BERTHOLF'S LIFE

Prof. Paul Bushnell

▲ HYMN "Be Still, My Soul"

No. 534—FINLANDIA

A LITANY IN REMEMBRANCE OF LLOYD M. BERTHOLF

Led by Chaplain Groh '61

(The people are invited to speak the bold-faced portions)

Let us now praise famous men,

and our fathers in their generations.

The Lord apportioned to them great glory,

his majesty from the beginning.

There were those who ruled in their kingdoms,

and were men renowned for their power,

giving counsel by their understanding,

and proclaiming prophecies;

leaders of the people in their deliberations,

wise in their words of instruction;

those who composed musical tunes;

and set forth verses in writing;

rich men furnished with resources;

living peaceably in their habitations —

all these were honored in their generations,
and were the glory of their times.
 There are some of them who have left a name,
so that men declare their praise.
 And there are some who have no memorial,
who have perished as though they had not lived.
 But these were men of mercy,
Whose righteous deeds have not been forgotten;
 their prosperity will remain with their descendants,
and their inheritance to their children's children.
 Their posterity will continue forever.
And their glory will not be blotted out.
 Their bodies were buried in peace.
And their name lives to all generations.
 Peoples will declare their wisdom,
And the congregation proclaims their praise.²

CELEBRATING DR. BERTHOLF'S LIFE

Mr. John Rapp '03

SCRIPTURE READING I Corinthians 13

Reverend Paul Newhall '82

MUSICAL OFFERING "Blessing"

Katie Moran Bart

University Chapel Choir

Sarah Jane Nicholas '03, director

Sara Hoffee '03, piano

CELEBRATING DR. BERTHOLF'S LIFE

Dr. Lynn B. Westcot

▲ HYMN "O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

No. 117—ST. ANNE

BENEDICTION

Chaplain Groh

ORGAN-POSTLUDE

Lou Ann Fillingham '78, organ

(you are invited to remain seated)

Hymn to Joy

L. Beethoven (1770-1827)

▲ All who are able are invited to stand

1. Christina Rossetti (1830-1894), as quoted in *The Doubleday Prayer Collection*, Selected and Arranged by Mary Batchelor (New York, etc.: Doubleday, 1992 and 1996), p. 168.

2. From *Ecclesiasticus* 44:1-4ac, 5-9ab, 10-11, 13-15; reprinted from *The Book of Hymns: Official Hymnal of the United Methodist Church* (Nashville: The United Methodist Publishing House, ©1964, 1966), Canticles and Other Acts of Praise #624.

University Chaplain

The Reverend Professor Dennis E. Groh '61, B.A., B.D., Ph.D.

Associate University Chaplain

Rabbi Theodore Gordon, B.A., M.H.L.

Assistant University Chaplain

Constance DeYoung Groh, B.A., M.T.S., J.D., Ph.D.

Evelyn Chapel Organist

Lou Ann Fillingham '78, M.M., M.B.A.

Music Coordinator and Choral Director

Sarah Jane Nicholas '03

Accompanist

Sara Hoffee '03



The Alice and Frank B. Jordan Organ, 1984

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