
Dr. Tom Phenix Installed as the President of Luther College, Regina

November 6, 2025

Earlier this week, Dr. Tom Phenix was officially installed to serve as the ninth President of Luther College with a worship service of blessings, prayers, music, and readings. The installation service serves to formally welcome and commit the responsibilities and duties of the role of President.

The installation was an illustration of our Lutheran roots and openness to all traditions. Rev. Dr. Larry Kochendorfer, the National Bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada (ELCIC) called upon Dr. Phenix to faithfully serve as President and presided over the installation; Rev. Dr. Ali Tote, Bishop of the Saskatchewan Synod of the ELCIC delivered a message from the Gospel. The service also included Indigenous Words of Wisdom from Luther's Elder-in-Residence, Dr. Elder Lorna Standingready, and student readings from the Holy Quran and the Holy Tanak. Music was performed by the Luther Bach Choir and the Luther College High School Senior Choir.

"I am deeply honoured and deeply aware of the trust you have placed in me. I am committed to ensuring Luther College will be a community of care, where students are known by name and supported in every dimension of their learning," said the newly installed President, Dr. Phenix. "We will be student-ready and future-ready, connecting rigorous liberal arts education to real-world challenges. The world needs graduates who can think critically, act compassionately, bridge divides, and persevere when the way is hard. Luther has been forming such people for generations. Together, we will continue to shape a more grace-filled, just, and joyful world—faithfully, creatively, and boldly."

"The Board of Regents is grateful to have found a leader who holds an extensive background in academia and administration. His previous leadership roles in a faith-based, liberal arts and science educational institution give him deep and unique insights," said Helga Hein, Chairperson of the Luther College Board of Regents. "We believe that Tom brings courage, clarity, and commitment to this important role."

Dr. Phenix has been with Luther College since July 1, 2025. The ceremony was held at Christ Lutheran Church in Regina, SK on Sunday, November 2, 2025.



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Who We Are

Luther College, Regina operates two educational institutions -- a historical independent high school accredited by the Saskatchewan Ministry of Education and a post-secondary campus federated with the University of Regina.

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