

DEPAUW UNIVERSITY

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3 *It continues to be a gift to serve at DePauw University and a joy to share this message from President Dr.*
4 *Lori S. White. - Rev. Dr. Maureen Knudsen Langdoc, University Chaplain and Associate Dean, DePauw*
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8 As the president of DePauw University, I am excited to share news from campus and several points of pride
9 as we make progress on our strategic plan, DePauw Bold & Gold 2027.
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11 First and foremost, we have taken several significant steps in the implementation of our strategic plan this
12 past year. Most recently, we began 2024 with the announcement of a \$150 million donation from an
13 anonymous donor and \$50 million in supporting matches from other donors to champion the goals of our
14 strategic plan. These gifts set a record investment for DePauw – one that acknowledges the primacy of the
15 liberal arts, the power of big ideas, and the importance of DePauw’s role in shaping future leaders.
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17 Substantial progress has been made on the academic renewal goal of our strategic plan. In the fall of 2023,
18 we launched the School of Business and Leadership, introduced innovative programs, expanded our global
19 learning opportunities, and intensified our commitment to experiential learning. These initiatives enrich our
20 students’ educational experience and prepare them for success in their personal and professional lives
21 beyond DePauw. We are on track for the successful launch of the Creative School this fall, the third piece in
22 our reimagined three-school model of a 21st-century liberal arts university.
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24 In student life, we continue to prioritize an engaging environment that nurtures the holistic development of
25 our students. With new residential space and additional renovations in progress, expanded wellness
26 programs and revitalized support for student organizations, including extraordinary Greek life experience,
27 DePauw’s cocurricular experiences and student programs help to maximize student involvement and success.
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29 We have taken important steps toward ensuring an exemplary student experience. This includes, in alignment
30 with our historic roots, being a university that welcomes all – fostering a diverse and inclusive campus
31 community. We have increased the enrollment of underrepresented students; launched initiatives to facilitate
32 connection and understanding across our community of individuals and groups with diverse backgrounds,
33 perspectives, and experiences; and strengthened our partnerships with organizations that promote access
34 to higher education for all students.
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36 Lastly, we, like many institutions, have reviewed our university budgets to ensure the funds donors and
37 foundations have generously given to DePauw are used efficiently, effectively and in alignment with strategic
38 priorities. We are so thankful for the meaningful contributions made by alumni and friends of DePauw
39 demonstrating the enduring value of a DePauw education.
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41 As we look to the future, I am optimistic that DePauw University will continue to build upon these
42 accomplishments and forge new paths for higher education. Our success is made possible because of the
43 work of the entire DePauw team. And I sincerely hope DePauw’s success is seen as an inspiration for other

1 colleges and universities and reinforces the fact that each of our institutions plays an important,
2 transformational role in the lives of the young people and communities we serve.

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4 Lori S. White

5 President, DePauw University