Community Worship

Tuesday, November 10, 2015
Davis Chapel
Litany of Remembrance

Let us remember and give thanks for faithful women of God, that their lives may inspire ours. For Miriam, prophet who led the women of Israel in rejoicing at their deliverance from Egypt; For the unnamed woman who acted as prophet and anointed Jesus before his burial; God of abundant life.

We give you thanks.

That we may claim our gifts of leadership and have courage to announce your truth by our words and actions, God of graceful power,

We offer our prayer.

For Joanna and Susanna, disciples who followed Jesus and supported him in his ministry; For Mary Magdalene, disciple and first witness to the Resurrection, who proclaimed the Good News; For women leaders in the early Church: for Phoebe, Prisca and Junia; God of abundant life,

We give you thanks.

That we and all your Church may follow Christ faithfully and bear witness to the good news of God in Jesus Christ, God of graceful power,

We offer our prayer.

For the woman who had hemorrhaged for twelve years and dared to touch the hem of your garment; For the woman who had been bent over for eighteen years and came to you for healing; God of abundant life,

We give you thanks.

That we may recognize your healing grace and be healed from all that weakens or cripples us; That your healing grace may be with any who are sick or suffering; God of graceful powers,

We offer our prayer.

For women mystics of the Middle Ages: for Hildegard of Bingen, Teresa of Avila, and Julian of Norwich, who used many names and images to praise you and tell of your goodness and love; God of abundant life,

We give you thanks.
That we may know you ever more deeply and praise you as one God with many names; God of graceful power,
**We offer our prayer.**

For the women of this country who fought against slavery and worked for justice for all people: for Sojourner Truth, Harriet Tubman, Eleanor Roosevelt, Rosa Parks; For the women who struggled for women’s rights: for Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Susan B. Anthony; God of abundant life,
**We give you thanks.**

That we may be empowered to strive for justice and peace among all people; God of graceful power,
**We offer our prayer.**

That we may be faithful to the ministries to which you call us, God of graceful power,
**We offer our prayer.**

Life-giving God, you have healed and empowered women throughout all ages,
**Grant that we may follow their examples and live faithfully as your people in the world, in the name of Jesus Christ, Amen.**

Written by Dr. Ruth A. Meyers from the Women’s Uncommon Prayers
Cuando el pueblo / When God’s People

1. Cuando el pueblo del Señor alaba Dios de cora-
zon, sucede cosas,

2. Cuando el pueblo lift their song and from their hearts sing praise to
land; it’s time for wonders,

3. When God’s people join their hands to work for justice in the
doors; it’s time for wonders,

zona, sucede cosas,

God’s People

Hay sanación. Our hearts are
Healed, our fears released, We feel God’s holy

1. dad, liberación,

2. Hay sanación del Señor. Our hearts are
presént as we sing.

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It Started with an Idle Tale

Mary Louise Bringle

1. It started with an “idle tale” of women,
rushing from a tomb with wondrous news to kept on Easter eve, a persevered vow of “Here I stand!” Loy-o-la, Lu-ther, len-niate have sped, and still we thirst for nations understood. Today the Church still

2. It started with a whispered prayer, a vigilant rush—of “Here I stand!” Loy-o-la, Lu-ther,

3. It started with a cry for change, a sturdy righteousness, as hungry children yearn for bread.

4. It started with Beatitudes—now two mil-
tell their friends awaiting in an upper room.

5. It started with a rush of tongues which marv’ling hears God’s call to be a force for global good:

At Pentecost, the tale burst forth from Perpetua and Polycarp, their re-formed and yet re-forming still, as The poor, the mourning, and the meek, not to tend the bruised and bleeding earth; to

fearful few to eager throng: and now we join that martyr’s blood became the seed from which arose a pastor, prophet, priest, and pope, laymen and women—yet in her i-tors of earth, we join our ear-nest pray and work that war-fare cease, and Spirit recon-

risen Church, baptized by fire and song! host of saints, baptized by sword and creed.

we unite: baptized by faith and hope, cause to theirs: baptized to bless-ed worth. cible all flesh, baptized to love and peace.

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Notes for Today’s Worship

About the Worship Leader
Women’s Work is a fellowship of women who are passionate about womanhood, specifically in the ministry. It is a sacred space for women to share experiences as well as an opportunity for women to safely explore the power of their own voice.

Worship
Today’s worship service was planned by Daniel Reese (MDiv’17), Anna Fleig (MDiv ’17) and Abby Catoe (MDiv ‘18).

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