

ANTHEM
A TIME OF PRAYER
CALL TO PRAYER

Divinity School Choir
Rodney Wynkoop, director
David Arcus, organ

Guided Prayer
Remembering the women witnessing
Content/teaching
Calling us to God
Celebrating

THOSE WITNESSING WOMEN

INTRODUCTION

Messengers

It suddenly strikes me
with overwhelming force:

It was women
who were first to spread the message of
Easter --
the unheard of!

It was women
who rushed to the disciples,
who, breathless and bewildered,
passed on the greatest message of all

He is alive!

Think if women had kept silence
in the churches!

Marta Wilhelmsson, SWEDEN

Witness to Anabaptist woman martyr (?) [Mari]
Charles or John witnessing to Susanna's teaching [Rene Lewis]
Richard Allen witnessing to Jarena Lee [Mary/Betty]
Witness of Latin American woman [Para/Erin]
Current woman giving witness to the faith of woman before her [Alicia]

LITANY OF PRAISE AND HOPE

Leader: Let us not falter in hope! Let us offer our praise and our lives to the
Lord.

Men. God of the patriarchs.

Women. God of the matriarchs.

All. In line with all your faithful people in every age, we offer again ourselves
and our gifts for the service of your kin-dom!

Women God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob .
Men. God of Sarah, Rebekah, and Rachel . .
All. Grant us the courage ot cling to your promise, even if all the world
seems hostile and our own hearts judge us failures.

Men God of Priscilla and Aquila .
Women. God of Moses and of Miriam . .
All May we too labour in harmony to bring our people out of bondage and
darkness.

Women O God of Deborah, a mother in Israel, greates of Israel's judges . .
Men. O God of Solomon, the wisest of kings . . .
All May our lives be but mirrors of your justice, lived out in the wisdom of
unswerving faith.

Women. Great God of Lydia, seller of purple .
Men Master of Paul, a maker of tents . .
All Guide us into the world unafraid to lend our hands as well as our voices
to your service, and eager to involve ourselves with all of your children.

Men And for the lifes of all righteous women
Women For past and present men of faith . .
All For the ministries taking form within us, and for all the callings yet to be:
The Lord's Name be Praised!

Gail Anderson Ricciuti, USA

~~H~~HYMN OF CELEBRATION #664

THE ASH GROVE

SENT FORTH BY GOD'S BLESSING

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

This service is sponsored by the Women's Center of Duke Divinity School. Join us
for a "picnic" lunch in the student lounge today, immediately following the chapel
service.