Group 1: We weep because the whole world is weeping as another generation dies.

Group 2: We weep because our beloved earth looks back at us, and cries.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION:

Open wide the window of our spirits, O Lord, and fill us full of light; open wide the door of our hearts, that we may receive and entertain you with all our powers of adoration and love. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING:

Luke 23:26-31

SERMON:

"Daughters of Jerusalem"

CLOSING PRAYER

HYMN

"Woman in the Night"

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WOMEN IN MINISTRY WEEK CELEBRATION

"Remembering Biblical Women"



"DAUGHTERS OF JERUSALEM"

Tuesday March 10, 1998

YORK CHAPEL WORSHIP

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GATHERING

CALL TO WORSHIP (In Unison)

Daughters and sons of Jerusalem let us worship the God who came to us in the intimacy of the incarnation. The One who knows our joy and pain and is with us in our tears.

OPENING HYMN:

"Come Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy" # 340

LITANY: "A Psalm for Women Who Weep" **

Leader: Women, why do you weep?

All: We weep for the slaughter of

innocence,

for the death of God in a secular world,

for the crucifixion of hope.

We weep:

Group 1: for children of the holocaust,

for sisters sold into slavery

for women strung out on drugs,

Leader: Women, why do you weep?

All: We weep for all our children,

for the children of our children,

for the child within us all. We weep:

Group 1: for babies born of addicted mothers,

for children bearing the scars of abuse, for children who feel alone and unloved,

Group 2: for children with children, too old, too

young,

for children who are disadvantaged, for children who have known only war

Leader: Women, why do we weep?

All: We weep for ourselves, yes, for

ourselves

and all the misunderstandings that have circumscribed our lives.

We weep:

Group 1: for graces we have forfeited,

for capabilities untested, for affirmation denied,

Group 2: for deaths without resurrection,

for pain with no justification, for hungers unsatisfied.

Leader: Women, why do we weep?