

A LITANY OF BOLDNESS

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L: O Creative God, you made us in your image.

C: You call us into discipleship in Jesus Christ.

L: You empower us through the Holy Spirit.

C: Let your living kindness be upon us as you accept our prayers.

L: O God of our ancestors, we remember the bold witness of our foremothers who paved the way for all women, lay and ordained.

C: We give you thanks, O God.

L: O Holy One, who breathes life into us all, we raise before you the bold women among us today.

C: We give you thanks, O God.

L: For those who pray, for those who parent, for those who study, for those who advocate,

C: We give you thanks, O God.

L: For those who laugh, for those who share, for those who extend hospitality, for those who smile,

C: We give you thanks, O God.

L: O Gracious One, forgive us when we are too timid to live up to the boldness you have placed within us.

C: We pray to you, O God.

L: O Gracious One, enable us to recognize, honor and support the boldness you have placed within others.

C: We pray to you, O God.

L: O God of infinite possibility, grant to us all the opportunity to act boldly on our faith in Jesus Christ.

C: Hear our prayers

L: O God of abundant life, grant to us all emotional, physical and spiritual wholeness so that we might best serve others in your name.

C: Hear our prayer.

L: O God of strength, give us courage, hope and open hearts, that we might experience expanding possibilities and grow through change.

C: Hear our prayer.

L: Nurturing God, you have inspired and empowered women throughout all ages.

C: Give us the courage and wisdom to act boldly on our faith in you, O Creating, Redeeming and Sustaining One. Amen

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