

WOMEN IN OUR LIVES : INVOCATION 2010

FOUNDATION FOR WOMEN 12TH ANNUAL LUNCHEON

O HOLY SPIRIT, TODAY WE GIVE THANKS FOR THE WOMEN WHO HAVE COME INTO OUR LIVES TO BE COMPANIONS IN THE WAY OF LIFE, AND FOR THE WISDOM SHARED BY OUR MOTHERS, SISTERS, FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES WITH WHOM WE TRAVEL THE ROAD OF LIVING, WORKING, PLAYING AND PRAYING.

WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR THE GRACES AND BLESSINGS WE ENJOY SO ABUNDANTLY IN OUR LIVES IN THIS NATION, AND WE SEEK DEEPER WISDOM IN ORDER THAT WE MAY SERVE THE WORLD, ESPECIALLY WOMEN AND GIRLS, IN NEED OF OUR SERVICE, CARING AND LOVE.

HELP US TO BE MINDFUL OF THOSE AROUND US AND TO SPIRITUALLY SUPPORT ONE ANOTHER.

AS WE GIVE THANKS TODAY AND ENJOY OUR MEAL TOGETHER, HELP US TO BE GENUINELY GRATEFUL FOR THE LIFE-GIVING NATURE OF HEALTHY FOOD AND SUPPORTIVE COMPANIONSHIP.

WITH HEARTS FULL OF COMPASSION, WE PAUSE TO REMEMBER THOSE WITHOUT FOOD, WATER AND SECURITY AS WE GATHER FOR INSPIRATION TODAY TO REACH OUT AGAIN AND AGAIN TO THOSE WHOSE ARMS ARE OUTSTRETCHED IN NEED. WE ASK THAT HOLY WISDOM GUIDE US AND LEAD US TO CONTRIBUTE TO MAKING OUR WORLD A MORE MORAL AND GENTLE PLACE FOR ALL.

AMEN.

THE REVEREND ELEANOR ELLSWORTH, LA JOLLA, CA