**Prayer for International Women's Day**

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Women are a reflection of the glory of God. Today we honor the women of all times and all places:

Women of courage.  
Women of hope.

Women suffering  
Women mourning.  
Women living fully.  
Women experiencing joy.  
Women delighting in life.

Women knowing the interconnectedness of the human family.  
Women honoring the sacredness of the relational, the affective.

Women quietly tending the garden of human flourishing.   
Women boldly leading the transformation of unjust global structures.

Women seeking Wisdom.   
Women sharing Wisdom.

Women receiving Love.  
Women giving Love.

Women: life-giving.  
Women: the image of God.

Loving God, we celebrate your faithfulness and love. On this day we commit ourselves to the promotion of the full humanity of all women everywhere. We know that whatever denies, diminishes, or distorts the full humanity of women is not of God.

Help us to be faithful to your call to love.  
Amen.