

# CELEBRATE THE GIFTS OF WOMEN

SUNDAY

MARCH 7, 2010

**God's message lives, and women participate in keeping the message alive. To celebrate the gifts of women is to celebrate the gift of the message God shares with and through them.**



*Let's Think Peace* by Huong; [www.peacemural.org](http://www.peacemural.org)

## WOMEN KEEPING THE MESSAGE ALIVE

**Celebrate the Gifts of Women Sunday** honors women who contribute their gifts to the church and community, and lifts up issues of women's rights. March 7, 2010, is Celebrate the Gifts of Women Sunday, the day before International Women's Day on March 8. Your congregation or women's groups may, however, use this resource on any date that you choose to celebrate women. From Eve, the mother of all living, through the tears of Esther, through an angel to Mary, through Mary and Martha at their brother's death, through the women who came to the tomb, through Priscilla during the time of Pentecost, through women in the church today, God's word is kept alive. From sermons preached to lessons taught, from emails sent to text messages received, from inscriptions on papyrus to internet blogs, the message is still being sent and received by women. We rejoice in and celebrate God's message to women, along with the way women continue to keep God's word alive.

The Celebrate the Gifts of Women resource, written by Kathryn Schneider, includes

- a worship service with a call to worship and invocation, prayer of confession, assurance of pardon, suggested hymns, suggested scripture readings, and sermon & worship suggestions;
- program suggestions; and
- recommended resources for further study.

The Celebrate the Gifts of Women resource is available in the November/December issue of *Horizons* magazine, as a free download from [www.pcusa.org/allwomen](http://www.pcusa.org/allwomen) and free from Presbyterian Distribution Service (PDS)—800-524-2612 or [www.pcusa.org/marketplace](http://www.pcusa.org/marketplace); item 27-501-10-001. Order the November/December issue of *Horizons* from PDS, item HZN-09-250. A limited number of bulletin covers are available from PDS while supplies last; item 27-501-10-002; \$5.00 for a pack of 25. The bulletin cover also may be downloaded free from [www.pcusa.org/allwomen](http://www.pcusa.org/allwomen).