



Being An Officer Is a Community Thing: An Installation Service

February 18, 2011

Preparation: Be sure to get the name of each officer and the office to which they have been elected. Make sure each person in the gathering has a copy of the service as there are community responses in this service.

(Call those to be installed to the front by name and office)

Leader: And God said, " See I am doing a new thing, do you not perceive it? "

Officers: From the chaos before creation, came life as we know it.

Community: So from the chaos of brainstorming and details, and more details, comes successful meetings and training programs.

Officers: Count me in!

Leader: Being an officer is grounded in one's commitment to the faith heritage of United Women in Faith - more than 100 years of mission-making.

Community: Mission-making results in transformed lives through the ministries of schools, medical facilities, worship, child care, job training, theological study.

Officers: The (name of local church) United Women in Faith helps mission happen through the financial giving, leadership development, study and prayer of its members.

Community: We are all needed to create a safe Spirit-filled world in which to live. Count us in!

Officers: Count us in!

Leader: I declare these officers duly installed. I charge them and this gathered community with being a supportive community for each other as you participate in the work of mission-making.

Prayer: O God, giver of creative energy, receiver of mission-making, within us and all around us, awaken that spark of divine energy in action. Let our hearts hear the song of transformed lives. Let our eyes see hope again in the walk and talk of free women and men, girls and boys. Let our bodies dance with the visions of love offered in the example of Jesus the Christ. **Amen.**

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