

## Woman Presented by XPressions of Faith

At the feet of Jesus, a woman...is it you? Your friend? Sister? Wife? Mother? Women who encountered Jesus come alive through dance as we "embody" their trials and triumphs to better understand our own. If you are familiar with liturgical or sacred dance you probably have a strong preconception about these particular styles. XPressions of Faith Liturgical Dance Ensemble is determined to change your perception of liturgical dance. Through a fusion of lyrical, modern, ballet and jazz, XP tells the stories of Women in Jesus' life in a way you have never seen.

## Audience Reviews

Minrod Mier:

I enjoyed this series of vignettes as each song told a story that was complete a cohesive, enhanced and amplified by the music and the movement. The dance and expression was beautiful, and the PowerPoint text titles helped to explain what each story was as it began. The dancers are talented and elegant.

John Munger:

The stereotype would be meek looking women in hideous, drapery costumes that carefully obscure every inch or hint of (sinful) flesh, doing unison gestures of saccharine adoration really quite unskillfully. That would so totally NOT be what Karla Petit and Xpressions of Faith bring to the sanctuary and those attending. "Woman" explores biblical females, mostly those that appear in the life of Christ. The movement vocabulary is energetic, highly-trained, and draws mostly on techniques of Ballet line applied to hard-driving Jazz moves and sinewy torso ripples...Most important, the ensemble delivers the material with passion, commitment, understanding and nuance. In other words, they don't just move. They DANCE.