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WATER's Feminist Conversations in Religion Series Presents

"Breaking Through the Stained Glass Ceiling: Women Religious Leaders in Their Own Words"

A teleconference with **Maureen Fiedler**

Wednesday, December 7, 2011 1 pm - 2 pm EDT

Maureen Fiedler, SL is the host of Interfaith Voices, an hour-long, award-winning public radio show, heard on 69 public and community radio stations in the U.S. and Canada. She has been involved in interfaith activities for more than three decades as an active participant in coalitions working for social justice, racial and gender equality, and peace. Her special interests lie at the intersection of theology and public policy. She is a Sister of Loretto, and holds a Ph.D. in Government from Georgetown University in Washington, DC. She currently lives in Maryland, near Washington, DC.

Her newest book, on which she will be speaking, is entitled: Breaking Through the Stained Glass Ceiling: Women Religious Leaders in Their Own Words. It highlights the emerging leadership of women in faith traditions across the board, and features interviews with many of those women. Maureen will discuss several of the most significant and memorable women in the book (including the recent Nobel Peace Prize winner, Leymah Gbowee of Liberia). She will analyze why this trend is occurring and why it makes a difference in the world, all the time noting that women in religion have not yet reached "Nirvana!"

Gather your friends and colleagues for lunch and join in the conversation. This is a great opportunity for students as well as for ministers and others. It is sure to be an engaging session. This teleconference, along with notes, will be

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