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St. Andrew's Episcopal Church

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Author Reading at St. Andrew's in the Spirit of Christmas

**Sedona AZ** - Dr. Fran Grace, Professor of Religious Studies at the University of the Redlands CA, will share a brief reading from her new book "The Power of Love: A Transformed Heart Changes the World" at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church on Wednesday, December 12. The program begins at 6:00pm in the church sanctuary at 100

Arroyo Piñon Drive in West Sedona.

Grace's book will appear in bookstores in February 2019, but the author will have copies

of a pre-release edition for purchase and signing.

The book shares the perspectives of 14 teachers from diverse worldviews and walks of life and was celebrated last month at the 125<sup>th</sup> Parliament of the World's Religions in Toronto, Canada. Enthusiastic reviewers include representatives from academia, medicine, psychological sciences, and religious and Native American communities.

Fr. Richard Rohr, an ecumenical teacher and Franciscan friar based in Albuquerque, has stated simply, "What matters is here! Lots of wisdom and goodness under one cover." Francis X. Clooney. S.J., Harvard professor and scholar in Hindu-Christian studies, says that "this is a book for a wide audience, of seekers, travelers, and scholars. It promises to feed the heart and soul, even as it awakens the mind again and again."

Grace is a prolific author, award-winning educator, and recipient of fellowships from Yale, Princeton, and the American Academy of Religion. Her spiritual writing and speaking have been cited on CSPAN, NPR, and the Huffington Post.

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Admission to the reading is free and open to the public. For more information contact St. Andrew's at 928-282-4457 or office@saint-andrews.org.

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church welcomes all, and offers Sunday Holy Communion, Saturday evening Taizé chant worship, and weekday prayer and contemplative services.

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