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IN THE GRANTHAM CHURCH ART GALLERY

DEEP PRAYER

The Art of POLLY ALICE

Where does hope come from? Does it come from feeling safe and secure? From a sense of safety? Is hope in the past or the future? Maybe it comes from the idea of justice when everything will be fair and right someday. Is hope something we achieve by wrestling in prayer, or is it a gift, a part of God's Kingdom if we open up our hands and ask? Please enjoy these meditations on prayer based on scripture. Found burlap jute and linen and imperfect stitching make up my soft sculptural canvases created with eco-friendly methods that prevent landfill waste. This symbolic process is one I have used for almost twenty years to demonstrate the beauty of imperfection, the wear of time, and the strain to mend or change one small part of our every day.



POLLY ALICE McCann is an artist, author, and speaker. Her art and poetry have been shown internationally, most recently in Rattle magazine. Her art show celebrates her new book *Pray Like a Woman* (2022 Flying Ketchup Press) combats twelve myths that block you from a rich, satisfying prayer life, with answers. How? A re-examination of prayer from the other side of the table. Read the stories of twelve women in scripture like you've never heard before. Retold by author, Polly Alice McCann, a granddaughter of a Midwest Minister, and several generations of prayer warriors, Polly shares simple time-tested Biblical methods of prayer from scripture along with her personal faith journey from college student to Pastor's wife, from single mother to opening an art gallery—believing in God for both small and big miracles of the heart and hand each and every day.

The Art Gallery is located in Room A1, and is open to the public when the building is open for normal office hours.