

**The Unfolding: a Ruah Prayer**

(for women's voices)

*for music by Donald Krubsack*

When were You ever not  
our Mother?  
When were Your wings ever not  
in us?

*O Thou                      O Thou*  
*Ruah                      Ruah*

As once You moved over the face  
of the waters,  
even so we feel Your flowing,  
Your flowing through us.

*Ruah                      Ruah*

Our sister You are,  
our Always,  
our Neverendingness.  
As wheat gleaming, so we  
should dream.

*O Thou                      O Thou*  
*Ruah                      Ruah*

In the night You are with us,  
nearer than near.  
How should we fear?  
You will not let the heart  
be lost, be lost, be lost  
in the shadows.

*O Thou                      O Thou                      O Thou*  
*Ruah                      Ruah                      Ruah*

With every folding, unfolding,  
folding, unfolding,  
all waves of the world,  
all worlds of Your making  
within us, revealed.

*O Thou                      O Thou                      O Thou*  
*Veni                      Veni                      Veni*  
*O Thou                      O Thou                      O Thou*  
*Holy                      Healing                      Holy*  
*Ruah                      Ruah                      Ruah                      Ruah*  
*Veni                      Veni                      Veni*  
*O Thou                      O Thou                      O Thou*

*in memory of my sisters*

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