

## A Faith Without Certainty

Liberal religion is not for the faint of heart.

*It points us in a general direction without telling us the specific destination.*

It refuses to make our commitments for us but holds us accountable for the commitments we have made.

*The liberal religious tradition is an invitation, not a mandate.*

It invites us to lives with ambiguity without giving in to facile compromise—

*It invites us to engage in dialogue without trying to control the conversation; to take commitment seriously but not blindly—*

It invites us and to be engaged in culture without succumbing to the culture's values.

*Liberal religion calls us to strength without rigidity, conviction without ideology, openness without laziness.*

Liberal religion asks us to pay attention.

*It is an eyes-wide-open faith, a faith without certainty.*

—Rev. Dr. Paul Rasor