

VITERBO UNIVERSITY SAN DAMIANO CHAPEL

SISTER THEA BOWMAN: I WILL LIVE UNTIL I DIE WITH VALLIMAR JANSEN



Vallimar Jansen is a national and international speaker, storyteller, composer and recording artist. As a Black Catholic, she tells the story of Franciscan Sister of Perpetual Adoration Thea Bowman's life with great passion and joy.

Sister Thea gave the world so many vivid examples of how to live in unity and peace and how to face death with purpose, grace and dignity. The play ends with a portion of Sister Thea's historic address to the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, in June of 1989. With her life's work, Sister Thea exemplified what it means to be "authentically Black and truly Catholic." She was a prophet and a resounding voice in the Black Catholic movement in America.

TUESDAY, APRIL 5 AT 7:00 PM

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ABOUT VALLIMAR:

Vallimar Jansen is a highly regarded inspirational/catechetical speaker, singer, composer and recording artist. She is also a college professor, a leader of worship and prayer, and a workshop presenter at conferences across the US and abroad. Vallimar received most of her training in music and performance from Howard University in Washington, DC. She holds professional degrees in the arts from California State University, San Bernardino, and the University of California, Santa Barbara. She sings a broad range of styles from traditional to contemporary. In 2005, she released her first solo collection, *You Gotta Move*. Other collections include *Anointing*, *Psalms from the Soul* and *Give God the Glory*. Vallimar composes much of her music with the help of her husband, Frank. They live in California and have three children.