

*Women Alone Together*®  
Book Group – Selections

**2016**

- January *The Nightingale* by Kristin Hannah with discussion led by Terri Roland
- February *North and South* by Elizabeth Gaskell with discussion led by Jim Diedrick ASC professor
- March *Creating Well-Being: Four Steps to a Happier, Healthier Life* by P. Hays with discussion led by Jennifer Hughes ASC professor
- April *The Invention of Wings* by Sue Monk Kidd with discussion led by Carolyn Curry
- May *The End of Innocence* by Allegra Jordan with discussion led by the author
- June – August Summer break
- September
- October
- November

**2015**

- January *The Gifts of Imperfection* by Brene' Brown; Led by Terri Roland
- February *The Goldfinch* by Donna Tartt; Led by Lee Drury
- March *All the King's Men* by Robert Penn Warren; Led by Lasley Gober
- April *All the Light We Cannot See* by Anthony Doerr; Led by Mary Ben Christiansen
- May *The Kitchen House* by Kathleen Grissom; Led by Kathie Layton
- June – August Summer break
- September *The Temple Bombing* by Melissa Fay Green with discussion led by the author
- October *Mr. Owieta's Guide to Gardening: How I Learned the Unexpected Joy of a Green Thumb and an Open Heart* by Carol Wall with discussion led by her husband Dick Wall
- November *Wherever There Is Light* by Peter Golden with discussion led by the author

**2014**

- January *Quiet: The Power of Introverts in a World That Can't Stop Talking* by Susan Cain led by Margaret Blackmon
- February *The Unvanquished* by William Faulkner led by Dr. Thomas McHaney
- March *The Book Thief* by Markus Zusak, led by Carolyn Wasser
- April *Suffer and Grow Strong: The Life of Ella Gertrude Clanton Thomas 1834-1907* by Carolyn Curry led by the author
- May A Conversation with Natasha Trethewey, the U.S. Poet Laureate Consultant in Poetry, featuring her poetry collection *Native Guard* (2006)
- September *The Round House* by Louise Erdrich; Led by Lucy Molinaro
- October *Shorter's Way* by Grace Hawthorne; Led by the author
- November *Moonrise* by Cassandra King; Led by the author

**2013**

- January *My Nightlife is 24/7* by Fionna Page led by the author
- February *Pope Joan* by Donna Woolfolk Cross led by Terri Roland
- March *A Titanic Love Story: Ida and Isidor Straus* by June Hall McCash led by the author
- April *The Social Animal: The Hidden Sources of Love, Character, and Achievement* by David Brooks led by Margaret Blackmon
- May *John Adams* by David McCollough led by Sallie LaBadie
- September *Girl with a Pearl Earring* by Tracy Chevalier, led by Carolyn Curry
- October *The Starboard Sea* by Amber Dermont
- November *The Paris Wife* by Paula McLain, led by Karrey Davis

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**2012**

- January *Delta Wedding* by Eudora Welty, led by Dr. Pearl McHaney of Georgia State University
- February *The Book of Marie* by Terry Kay, led by the author
- March *Cutting for Stone* by Abraham Verghese, led by Terri Roland (as rescheduled)
- April *The 19th Wife* by David Ebershoff, led by Sarah Robinson
- May *The Great Gatsby* by F. Scott Fitzgerald, led by Dr. Kristin Hunter of The Westminster Schools (as rescheduled)
- September *The House of Mirth* by Edith Wharton, led by Dr. Cathy Fuller, ASC undergrad and professor at GSU
- October *The River of Doubt* by Candice Millard, led by Sharon Pauli
- November *The Elegance of the Hedgehog* by Muriel Barbery led by Mary Ann Blessing

**2011**

- January *Persuasion* by Jane Austen. Christine S. Cozzens, Professor of English and Director of The Center for Writing and Speaking at Agnes Scott College, led our discussion.
- February *Still Alice* by Lisa Genova led by Terri Roland
- March *Half Broke Horses* by Jeannette Walls led by Fran Plunkett
- Letters from Yellowstone* by Diane Smith, discussion led by John F. Pilger, William R. Kenan Jr. Professor of Biology; at the invitation of ASC's Reader's Connection at St. Philip's Cathedral
- April *Half the Sky: Turning Oppression into Opportunity for Women Worldwide* by Nicholas D. Kristof, Sheryl WuDunn led by Lucy Molinaro
- May *as the sycamore grows* by Jennie Miller Helderman led by the author
- September *The Secret Life of the Grown-Up Brain: The Surprising Talents of the Middle-Aged Mind* by Barbara Strauch, led by Margaret VanDeman Blackmon
- October *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* by Rebecca Skloot led by Dr. Roland Pattillo, HeLa Conference Director & Professor, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Morehouse School of Medicine
- November *Bosspants* Tina Fey led by Carolyn Wasser

**2010**

- January *The Help* by Kathryn Stockett; led by Carolyn Wasser
- February *Sin in the Second City: Madams, Ministers, Playboys, and the Battle for America's Soul* by Karen Abbott; led by Terri Roland with the author via phone conference.
- March *Molokai* by Alan Brennert; led by Carol Wilson
- The Elegance of the Hedgehog* by Muriel Barbery Discussion led by Julia Knowlton, professor of French; at the invitation of ASC's Reader's Connection
- April *Bound South: A Novel* by Susan Rebecca White; led by the author; introduction by Margaret VanDeman Blackmon
- May *Olive Kitteredge* by Elizabeth Strout; led by Lucy Molinaro
- September *Year of Wonder* by Geraldine Brooks; led by Carolyn Curry
- October *Outcasts United* by Warren St. John; led by Toby Emert, ASC Associate Professor of Education and Director of Teacher Education
- November *Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet* by Jamie Ford; led by Sharon Pauli

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**2009**

- January *In the Time of the Butterflies* by Julia Alvarez; led by Dr. Kristin Hunter, Dean of Girls and English Teacher at The Westminster Schools
- February *Wuthering Heights* by Emily Bronte; led by Jane Saral, former teacher of British Literature at The Westminster Schools
- March *The Zookeeper's Wife* by Diane Ackermann; led by Lucy Molinaro
- April *Loving Frank: A Novel* by Nancy Horan; led by Carol Wilson
- May *A Thousand Splendid Suns* by Khaled Hussein; led by Edna Kopetz
- September *People of the Book* by Geraldine Brooks; led by Carolyn Curry
- October *Einstein's Dreams* by Alan Lightman; by invitation of ASC's Reader's Connection; led by ASC faculty member Chris DePree
- November *And If I Perish: Frontline U.S. Army Nurses in World War II* by Evelyn Monahan and Rosemary Neidel-Greenley; led by the authors with introduction by Edna Kopetz

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**2008**

- January – We began meeting at The Colonnade  
January *The Other Boleyn Girl* by Philippa Gregory; led by Carol Wilson
- February *Frankenstein* by Mary Shelley; led by Jane Saral, former teacher of British Literature at The Westminster Schools
- March *March* by Geraldine Brooks; led by Lasley Gober of The Westminster Schools
- April T.S. Eliot led by Carolyn Curry; discussion led by Dr. Pepperdene rescheduled to October
- May *Eat, Pray, Love* by Elizabeth Gilbert; led by Tina Edwards
- September *Angle of Repose* by Wallace Stegner; led by Lasley Gober of The Westminster Schools
- October *The Wasteland* by T.S. Eliot; led by Dr. Margaret Pepperdene
- November *The Complete Persepolis* by Marjane Satrapi; led by Rachel Trousdale, Assistant Professor of English, Agnes Scott College (joint meeting with ASC Readers' Connection)

**2007**

- January Reading Flannery O'Connor led by Dr. Margaret W. Pepperdene
- February *Blue Calhoun* by Reynolds Price; led by Ryan Sample, a student of Price's at Duke, and teacher at The Westminster Schools @ Park Place
- March *The Memory Keeper's Daughter* by Kim Edwards; led by Carolyn Curry @ South of France
- April *My Sister's Keeper* by Jodi Picoult
- September *Middlesex* by Jeffrey Eugenides; led by Lucy Molinaro
- October *Water for Elephants* by Sara Gruen; led by Gloria Payne @ South of France
- November *The Glass Castle: A Memoir* by Jeannette Walls @ South of France

**2006**

- January *A Good Man is Hard to Find* by Flannery O'Connor led by Dr. Margaret W. Pepperdene
- February *Gilead* by Marilynne Robinson
- March *Atonement* by Ian McEwan
- April *Deep Survival: Who Lives, Who Dies, and Why* by Laurence Gonzales led by Susan Lockhart @ M.B. Lyle's
- May Reading Katherine Anne Porter led by Dr. Margaret W. Pepperdene
- September *Kate Vaiden* by Reynolds Price @ Tillie Carter's
- October *The Devil and the White City* by Erick Larson; led by Carolyn Clarke and Sophia Bauerle
- November *Ecology of a Cracker Childhood* by Janisse Ray @ South of France

**2005**

- September *The Heart is a Lonely Hunter* by Carson McCullers
- October *Object Lessons* by Anna Quindlen at PRUMC

**2003**

- September *The Secret Life of Bees*, Sue Monk Kidd @ Soleil