

---

## **Benediction for a journal**

---

### **Diane Roberts**

Accounting Faculty,  
School of Business and Professional Studies,  
University of San Francisco,  
2130 Fulton Street, San Francisco, CA 94117-1080, USA  
E-mail: robertsd@usfca.edu

**Biographical notes:** Diane Roberts is a Professor of Accounting at the University of San Francisco. She is a winner of the Glen McLaughlin Prize for Research in Accounting Ethics. Her research interests include accounting ethics, environmental and social responsibility accounting, and accounting history.

---

*In a world of unbridled commerce and pursuit of greed's whims,  
Where profit is deemed the prophet,  
Bang the wild drum loudly.*

*Amidst a financial landscape littered with restatements,  
Endow strength and courage to write justly in an unjust world.  
Bang the wild drum with purpose.*

*Use this endeavour to illuminate wrongs present and past.  
Create and celebrate remedies and homilies.  
Bang the wild drum resoundingly.*

*Life's journey is not tread alone; honour one's academic family.  
Share wisdom, encouragement, and support.  
Bang the wild drum in rhythm.*

*Treasure the heart's values to transform the world into a better place.  
Nurture the knowledge and skills that fill the mind.  
Bang the wild drum to echo through the halls of power.*

*Bang the wild drum so all the world can hear.*