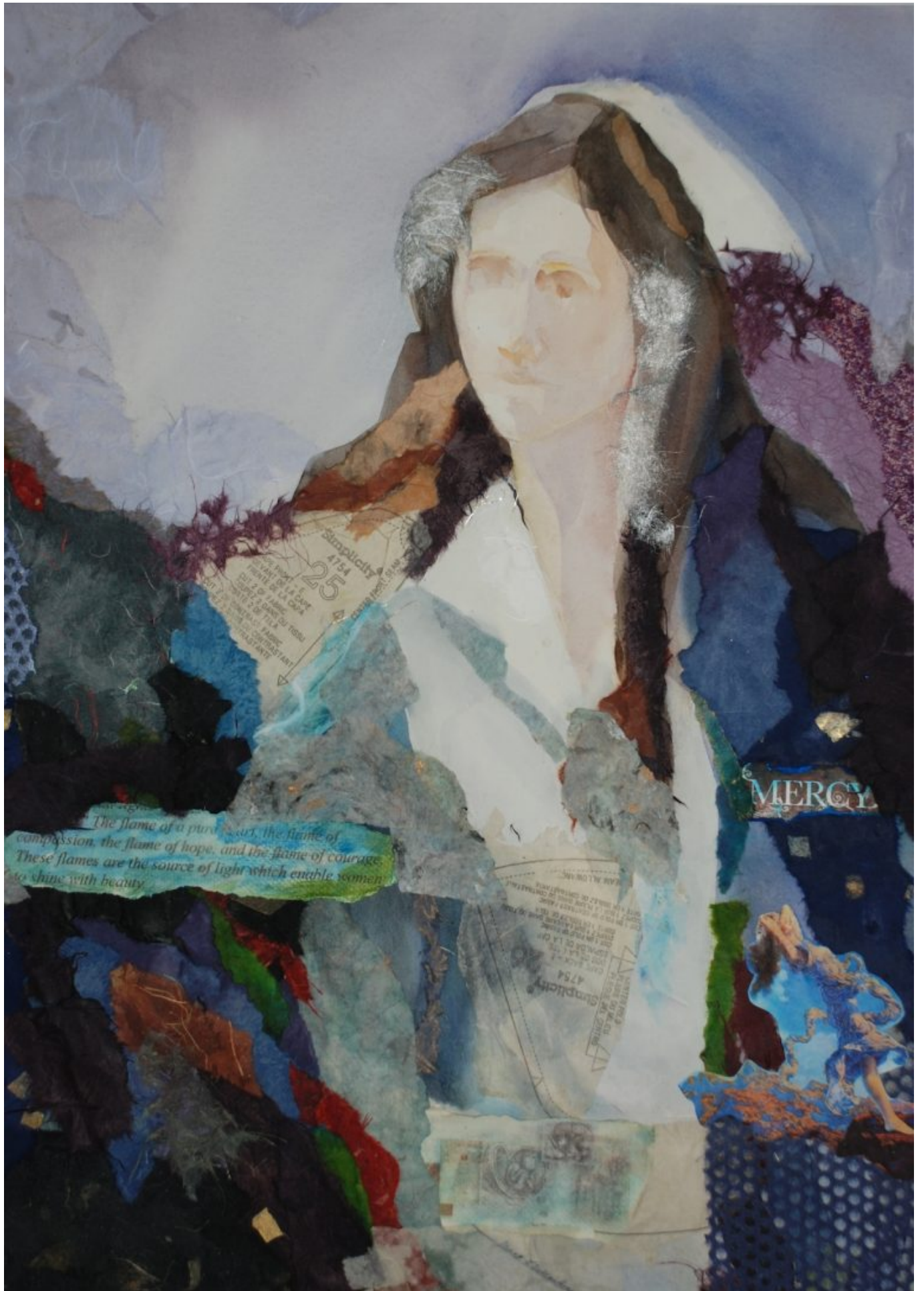


Tender Mercies

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About the artist:

"I have always been interested in art. I chose nursing as a vocation, but my interest in art continued to grow, in fits and starts, during my forty-five years in health care. I have worked in many areas of nursing practice and also in many mediums—charcoal, pen and ink, oils, watercolors and now mixed media. I feel that this piece reflects where I am now—merging my life experiences in art and in the practice of nursing, both of which bring a level of comfort and caring to others."

About the artwork:

"I started this mixed-media piece several years ago and then set it aside. The model at the time was my fourteen-year-old daughter. I asked her to sit in my old nursing uniform. As my forty-fifth nursing school reunion approached, I went back to the piece. Much had happened in the nursing profession since the time my classmates and I had graduated. I was thinking about the connections that remained within our group and our ongoing relationships. I utilized different collage techniques with various sizes and styles of papers along with filaments and threads throughout. Sections of vintage dress patterns were used as part of the nurse's uniform."

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