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Adult Education

BEING REFORMED: FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING: 7751

SEVEN DAYS TO GLORY: HOLY WEEK

Monie, Blair R. Congregational Ministries Publishing, CURRICULUM

Participant's Book. The last week of Jesus' life encompassed some of Christianity's most significant events. Based on the Gospel of Mark, this study looks at each of these days to describe the importance of Jesus' actions at the time, and what they mean for Christian living today. An excellent study for the Lenten season or any time in the church year.

BEING REFORMED: FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING: 7742

THE CONFESSION OF BELHAR

Hinds, Mark Congregational Ministries Publishing, CURRICULUM

Leader's Guide. The Confession of Belhar emerged from South Africa as a witness of Christian faith against the sins of racism and focuses on major themes of unity, reconciliation, and justice. Explore what it means to be a confessional church and to meet and confess our faith in the face of racism in its various forms.

BEING REFORMED: FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING: 7743

THE CONFESSION OF BELHAR

Rich, Cynthia Holder Congregational Ministries Publishing, CURRICULUM

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BEING REFORMED: FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING: 7744

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Kirkpatrick, Melissa Congregational Ministries Publishing, CURRICULUM

Leader's Guide. Grounded in the meanings of the Lord's Prayer, this study takes on deeper dimensions as we pray its words in groups or as individuals. It will enhance our knowledge as Christians and strengthen our faith in the prayer that Jesus taught.

BEING REFORMED: FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING: 7745

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gillespie, Thomas W. Congregational Ministries Publishing, CURRICULUM

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BEING REFORMED: FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING: 7746

RE-MEMBERING BAPTISM

Tracy, Doug Congregational Ministries Publishing, CURRICULUM

Leader's Guide. Explore the theological meanings of baptism in the Reformed and Presbyterian traditions while remembering the ways in which baptism has an ongoing and daily significance for Christians in the church.

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	RE-MEMBERING BAPTISM						
	Byars, Ronald P.				Congregational Ministries Publishing,		CURRICULUM
	Participant's Book. Explore the theological meanings of baptism in the Reformed and Presbyterian traditions while remembering the ways in which baptism has an ongoing and daily significance for Christians in the church.						
	BEING REFORMED: FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING:						7748
	SEEKING SOCIAL JUSTICE						
	Kirkpatrick, Melissa				Congregational Ministries Publishing,		CURRICULUM
	Leader's Guide. Focusing on one of the six Great Ends of the Church, Seeking Social Justice will inspire those in faith communities to think critically about the social, economic, and political problems that influence the lives of individuals and our planet.						
	BEING REFORMED: FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING:						7750
	SEVEN DAYS TO GLORY: HOLY WEEK						
	Indermark, John				Congregational Ministries Publishing,		CURRICULUM
	Leader's Guide. The last week of Jesus' life encompassed some of Christianity's most significant events. Based on the Gospel of Mark, this study looks at each of these days to describe the importance of Jesus' actions at the time, and what they mean for Christian living today. An excellent study for the Lenten season or any time in the church year.						
	BEING REFORMED: FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING:						7752
	TEMPTATION IN THE DESERT						
	Ferguson, Nancy				Congregational Ministries Publishing,		CURRICULUM
	Leader's Guide. The story of Jesus' temptations in the wilderness after his baptism offers important instructions for us as we consider our Christian life. This study discusses ways the temptations that faced Jesus are still real for us today. Appropriate for the Lenten season or any time of year.						
	BEING REFORMED: FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING:						7753
	TEMPTATION IN THE DESERT						
	Barnes, M. Craig				Congregational Ministries Publishing,		CURRICULUM
	Participant's Book. The story of Jesus' temptations in the wilderness after his baptism offers important instructions for us as we consider our Christian life. This study discusses ways the temptations that faced Jesus are still real for us today. Appropriate for the Lenten season or any time of year.						
	BEING REFORMED: FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING:						7749
	SEEKING SOCIAL JUSTICE						
	Hinson-Hasty, Elizabeth				Congregational Ministries Publishing,		CURRICULUM
	Participant's Book. Focusing on one of the six Great Ends of the Church, Seeking Social Justice will inspire those in faith communities to think critically about the social, economic, and political problems that influence the lives of individuals and our planet.						

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	HOW DO I MAKE IT RIGHT?						7723
	DOING JUSTICE IN A BROKEN WORLD						
	Young, Tracy			Faith Alive, 2010		BOOK	
	In the Works series. The prophet Micah asks, “What does the Lord require of you?” The answer seems simple at first: “Act justly, love mercy, and walk humbly with your God.” But what does that really mean? How does this impact our relationships with our neighbors and with God? This study explores these questions and offers specific suggestions for how to act justly in your daily life.						
	WHAT DO I DO WITH MY LIFE?						7724
	SERVING GOD THROUGH WORK						
	Baker, Kenneth A.			Faith Alive, 2010		BOOK	
	In the Works series. Learn how God is calling you to serve him and your coworkers, customers, and employers at your workplace with this small group study. Explore how to translate Sunday’s good news into weekday action in the arena where you have the greatest influence.						
	WHAT DO I OWE?						7725
	MANAGING THE GIFTS GOD GIVES YOU						
	Bouma, Rolf			Faith Alive, 2010		BOOK	
	In the Works series. Our tendency is to think of stewardship primarily in financial terms—“What do I owe?”—but money is only one of the gifts God gives us to manage. Discover how we can use the gift of time, the gift of the creation itself, and the gift of God’s grace to say thank you to God.						
	WHERE DO I COME IN?						7726
	JOINING GOD'S MISSION						
	Keepers, Brian			Faith Alive, 2010		BOOK	
	In the Works series. Do you think of yourself as a missionary? In reality, every part of your daily life is “mission work”—whether you’re driving kids to soccer practice, preparing for a meeting, or getting to know your next-door neighbor. Find out how to develop a missional mindset in your life with this small group study.						
<i>Advent/Christmas</i>							
	GOD IS IN THE MANGER:						7710
	REFLECTIONS ON ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS						
	Bonhoeffer, Dietrich			Westminster John Knox Press, 2010		BOOK	
	“No priest, no theologian stood at the cradle of Bethlehem. And yet, all Christian theology finds its beginnings in the miracle of miracles, that God became human.” These stirring words are among forty devotions that guide and inspire readers as they move thematically through the weeks of Advent and Christmas, from waiting and mystery to redemption, incarnation, and joy. Supplemented by an informative introduction, short excerpts from Bonhoeffer’s letters, and passages from his Christmas sermons, these daily devotions are timeless and moving reminders of the true gift of Christmas.						

Bible Study: N.T.

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COLOSSIANS: THE NEW OLD PERFECTLY IMPERFECT YOU **7730**

Bajema, Edi Faith Alive, 2010 BOOK

Infuse Bible Studies. Paul's letter to the Colossians in the first century A.D. may be the most important letter you will ever read. This brief letter has affected many millions of people around the world for many centuries. It speaks of a transformation so deep and profound that it can only be described as dying and coming to life again. In this letter we discover the one in whom all things hold together, the one who transforms us and makes us new—Jesus Christ, the living Son of God—so that we can live for and with God forever.

MATTHEW: ONE KING TO RULE THEM ALL **7729**

McGinnis, Marilyn A., etal Faith Alive, 2010 BOOK

Infuse Bible Studies. What was the life of Jesus all about? Who was he? Where did he come from? What were his message and purpose? See for yourself what happened in his life, who followed him, who opposed him, and why. Meet Jesus himself, and consider his purpose. Think about his call to you personally. Could he really be the one Savior and King of the whole world? This is a survey study covering the entire book of Matthew in eight sessions. Each session is divided into Episode sections in case you may wish to do just one or two episodes each time you meet together. This study includes 25 episodes in all, so, depending on the length of your usual discussion time, you might use as many as 12 to 18 meetings to complete the study.

MODERN PARABLES **7740**

LIVING IN THE KINGDOM OF GOD, VOLUME 1

Purifoy & Rogers Compass Cinema, 2010 KIT

Modern Parables is an original film-based Bible study curriculum on Jesus' parables. It uses short films of the parables combined with teaching by pastors and in-depth study materials to create an entirely new learning experience. The series seeks to re-create the emotional immediacy that Jesus' 1st-century audience felt when hearing the parables. It does this by using some of the best parable scholarship and exploring it through creative filmmaking. The gut-level understanding made possible by the films is intended to drive listeners into a deeper understanding of the Bible. Comes with 6 parables on 3 DVDs, Teacher Prep Lessons CD, Leader's Guide, and 10 Study Books. A gift from the Edison Oak Tree church.

Bible Study: O.T.

ESTHER: COURAGE IN A COMPLICATED WORLD **7727**

Averill, Diane, etal Faith Alive, 2010 BOOK

Infuse Bible Studies. Step back in time to ancient Persia around 480 B.C. Esther's story is one of kings and queens in a vast empire, and it's filled with risky twists and turns, happy and fearful moments, dangerous and deadly outcomes. What's more, it shows us God's deliverance and care for his people as he works to bless others. First in the new Infuse Bible Study series.

JONAH: FISH, FLAWS, FORGIVENESS **7728**

Rozema, Linda, etal Faith Alive, 2010 BOOK

Infuse Bible Studies. In the story of Jonah, God calls an unlikely prophet to preach to an unlikely, enemy people. Jonah the prophet doesn't want anything to do with those people, but God has other plans. We soon see that God's ways are different from Jonah's—and that's a good thing for Jonah's enemies. From this story we learn not only about Jonah's adventures and God's ways but also about ourselves. We might even notice that Jonah acts a lot like we do sometimes. But—thank God!—that's not the end of the story. . . .

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NUMBERS & DEUTERONOMY FOR EVERYONE **7709**

A COMMENTARY

Goldingay, John Westminster John Knox Press, 2010 BOOK

The fourth volume in Goldingay's commentaries focuses on Numbers and Deuteronomy. For daily devotions, Sunday school preparation, or brief visits with the Bible, the Old Testament for Everyone series is an excellent resource for the modern lay reader.

Church Administration

USER FRIENDLY EVALUATION: IMPROVING THE WORK **7779**

OF PASTORS, PROGRAMS AND LAITY

Woods, C. Jeff The Alban Institute, 1995 BOOK

Each congregation must evaluate itself in light of its own mix of gifts, backgrounds, talents, and opportunities. Presenting the best of evaluation theory past and present, Woods shows clergy and lay leaders how to engage in mutual evaluation-not judgment-of ministry, mission, and community as a shared responsibility. The goal is building up the congregation. A special chapter provides commentary from church evaluation experts Roy Oswald (Alban), Paul Light (ABUSA denominational staff), and Jill Hudson (PCUSA judicatory executive) on dilemmas congregations face in evaluation.

Church History

FAITH AND PRACTICE OF THE EARLIEST CHRISTIANS **7771**

A DVD STUDY OF THE DIDACHE

Jones, Tony Paraclete Press, 2010 DVD

Join Tony Jones as he unveils this late first-century text: the Didache, or "Teaching of the Twelve. You will explore what some of the earliest Christians lived and taught. What is THE WAY OF JESUS? How important are BAPTISM AND HOLY COMMUNION? What does it mean to BE CHURCH? When is it good to LOOK TO THE FUTURE? Why is it important for Christians to look BACK TO THE ROOTS OF FAITH? This essential study in the life and practice of the Early Church will challenge any study group, home church, highschool, college or adult discussion group.

TEACHING OF THE TWELVE: BELIEVING AND PRACTICING THE **7772**

PRIMITIVE CHRISTIANITY OF THE ANCIENT DIDACHE COMMUNITY

Jones, Tony Paraclete Press, 2009 BOOK

How did the first Christians practice their faith? The Didache, an early handbook of an anonymous Christian community, "is the most important book you've ever heard of." It spells out a way of life for Jesus-followers, including how to love one another, how to practice the Eucharist, and how to take in wandering prophets. Likely written before many of the New Testament books, this little-known text can enlighten the way that Christians are church, today. Tony Jones unpacks the ancient document with insight and perspective, and traces the life of a small house church in Missouri that is trying to live according to its precepts. Includes a new, contemporary English translation of the complete text of the Didache.

WAS AMERICA FOUNDED AS A CHRISTIAN NATION? **7758**

A HISTORICAL INTRODUCTION

Fea, John Westminster John Knox Press, 2011 BOOK

Fea offers an even-handed primer on whether America was founded to be a Christian nation, as many evangelicals assert, or a secular state, as others contend. He approaches the title's question from a historical perspective, helping readers see past the emotional rhetoric of today to the recorded facts of our past. Readers on both sides of the issues will appreciate that this book occupies a middle ground, noting the good points and the less-nuanced arguments of both sides and leading us always back to the primary sources that our shared American history comprises.

Church Renewal

OPEN SOURCE CHURCH: 7764

MAKING ROOM FOR THE WISDOM OF ALL

Whitsitt, Landon The Alban Institute, 2011 BOOK

In *Open Source Church: Making Room for the Wisdom of All*, Landon Whitsitt argues that Wikipedia, the encyclopedia that anyone can see and edit, might be the most instructive model available to help congregations develop leaders and structures that can meet the challenges presented by our changing world. Its success depends, he demonstrates, not on the views of select experts but on the collective wisdom of crowds. Then, turning to the work of James Surowiecki in *The Wisdom of Crowds*, he explores the idea that the body of Christ itself—when it is intentionally diverse, encourages independence of thought, values decentralization, and effectively captures and aggregates the group’s collective wisdom—is an open source church.

Confirmation/Commissioning

WE BELIEVE: FAITH QUESTIONS: CHRISTIANITY AND ... 7714

LEADER'S GUIDE

Wendlandt, Hansen Congregational Ministries Publishing, CURRICULUM

This four-session youth mini-course explores the questions from young people about other faiths by connecting the questions with the Bible and the creeds and confessions of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). Intended for older youth, this curriculum is easily adaptable for broadly graded youth programs.

WE BELIEVE: FAITH QUESTIONS: PRAYER 7715

LEADER'S GUIDE

Tedrow, Tricia Congregational Ministries Publishing, CURRICULUM

This six-session youth mini-course explores the questions from young people about other faiths by connecting the questions with the Bible and the creeds and confessions of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). Intended for older youth, this curriculum is easily adaptable for broadly graded youth programs.

Congregational Transformation

CHRISTIANITY FOR THE REST OF US: HOW THE NEIGHBORHOOD 7778

CHURCH IS TRANSFORMING THE FAITH

Bass, Diana Butler Harper San Fransisco, 2006 BOOK

Most pundits will tell you that the mainline churches are in decline: it is now commonplace to assume that liberal churches are doomed and only evangelical churches are growing. The author summarizes the findings of a three-year study funded by the Lilly Endowment. She then examines 10 practices, from hospitality to worship to vigorous theological discussion, and posits that these practices are the heartbeat of vital mainline churches. Her provocative conclusions include the observation that today’s mainliners favor bottom-up acts of service over structural change.

PARADOXY: 7765

CREATING CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY BEYOND US AND THEM

Howard, Ken Paraclete Press, 2010 BOOK

Western Christianity is moving towards a religious realignment of epic proportions. How will your church navigate these changes? This is a book for those who will lead congregations in challenging times. Paradox helps you understand and explain what’s happening, gives everyone a chance to speak and be heard, and moves you into the future as one body, together.

Death

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	CONFRONTING DEATH: A CHRISTIAN APPROACH TO THE END OF LIFE WITH WALTER WANGERIN, JR.						7768
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				Paraclete Press, 2008			DVD
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Coming from his own experiences of living with life-threatening cancer for the last two plus years, Walter Wangerin speaks directly from the heart in this poignant and instructional new DVD. He speaks about how cancer has changed his life and how his faith has sustained and prepared him to meet death itself. But Confronting Death is not for the Christian idealist; it is for every Christian, as we learn how to be different from the world: by learning to look forward to the world to come without dismissing our responsibilities here and now. This compelling teaching explains how Christ is victorious over death. Excellent for Sunday school classes, study groups, equipping caregivers who do visitation ministry, hospice, and working with those who are grieving.

Evangelism/Church Growth

	DON'T INVITE THEM TO CHURCH						7722
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	Wilk, Karen			Faith Alive, 2010			BOOK
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Loving your neighbors isn't about getting them to join you on Sundays. It's about living your faith right where you are and being the church to the people around you. This flexible guidebook will help you, your small group, or your church get started in neighborhood ministry and missional living. It includes ideas for group meetings, practices to help you develop a better spiritual life, and real-life ideas for reaching out to your neighborhood.

Faith Development

	MUDHOUSE SABBATH: AN INVITATION TO A LIFE OF SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINE						7770
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	Winner, Lauren F.			Paraclete Press, 2007			BOOK
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After her conversion from Orthodox Judaism to Christianity, Lauren Winner found that her life was indelibly marked by the rich traditions and spiritual practices of Judaism. She set out to discover how she could incorporate some of these practices into her new faith. Winner presents eleven Jewish spiritual practices that can transform the way Christians view the world and God. Whether discussing attentive eating, marking the days while grieving, the community that supports a marriage, candle-lighting, or the differences between the Jewish Sabbath and a Sunday spent at the Mudhouse, her favorite coffee shop, Winner writes with appealing honesty and rare insight.

	MUDHOUSE SABBATH: THE WORKSHOP DVD						7769
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	Winner, Lauren F.			Paraclete Press, 2009			DVD
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"It's not just that Jesus was a Jew, Jesus still is a Jew. Engaging Jewish practice and tradition is one important way of overcoming the gaps that we sometimes feel exist between Jesus and ourselves." So begins Lauren Winner on the powerful new Mudhouse Sabbath DVD. Divided into seven sections or lessons, with discussion topics filmed on location, this 65-minute DVD resource will help you or your study group explore how our faith is rooted in ancient, Jewish, spiritual traditions and ritual. Through the expertise and personal experiences of Lauren Winner, Mudhouse Sabbath DVD will challenge you to practice your faith in ways that are biblical, Christ-like, and imminently practical.

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POWER OF FORGIVENESS

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Paraclete Press, 2005

DVD

Every human being gets hurt in ways both big and small, and in turn, we sometimes inflict hurt on others. There comes a time when we face the difficult choice to forgive others and to forgive ourselves. But forgiveness can seem impossible, even undesirable. The Power of Forgiveness presents four studies that open our minds and our hearts to a new understanding of forgiveness so we can embrace forgiveness as a key to a wholesome and free life. This program features Dr. Everett L. Worthington, executive director of The Templeton Foundation's Campaign for Forgiveness Research.

WHAT'S THE LEAST I CAN BELIEVE AND STILL BE A CHRISTIAN? A GUIDE TO WHAT MATTERS MOST

7755

Thielen, Martin

Westminster John Knox Press, 2011

BOOK

Many people in the twenty-first century hunger for an expression of Christian faith that is different from the judgmental and narrow-minded caricatures they see on television or in the news. With an accessible, story-telling style that's grounded in solid biblical scholarship, Thielen shows how Christians don't need to believe that sinners will be "left behind" to burn in hell or that it's heresy to believe in evolution. And while we must always take the Bible seriously, we don't always have to take it literally. At the same time, Christians do need to believe in Jesus—his life, his teachings, his death and resurrection, and his vision for the world. A great benefit of those beliefs is that they provide promising answers to life's most profound questions, including: Where is God? What matters most? What brings fulfillment? What about suffering? And is there hope? Thielen articulates centrist, mainline Christianity in a way that's fresh and easy to understand and offers authentic Christian insights that speak to our deepest needs.

Family Ministry: Parenting

99 WAYS TO RAISE SPIRITUALLY HEALTHY CHILDREN

7711

Bostrom, Kathleen Long

Westminster John Knox Press, 2010

BOOK

The author offers fun, practical, and thought provoking ideas for nurturing the spiritual lives of children, parents, and families. Each of the 99 entries includes a Scripture passage, a theoretical or practical suggestion for weaving together faith and daily life, and a provocative challenge that encourages readers to spend some time contemplating the lessons learned.

HOME GROWN DVD:

7733

INTRODUCTORY INTERVIEWS FOR SESSIONS 1-7

DeBoer, Karen

Faith Alive, 2010

BOOK

Kick off your Home Grown study sessions with segments from this intriguing DVD as real-life parents answer common parenting questions. Video segments will also be available for free download—stay tuned for details.

HOME GROWN HANDBOOK FOR CHRISTIAN PARENTING:

7731

111 REAL-LIFE QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

DeBoer, Karen

Faith Alive, 2010

BOOK

This practical parent handbook answers questions all Christian parents face. Organized by topic and filled with humor and sound advice, it's a great resource for adult classes and a thoughtful gift for new parents.

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HOME GROWN STUDY GUIDE: 7732

ESSENTIALS FOR CHRISTIAN PARENTING

Nederveld, Patricia Faith Alive, 2010 BOOK

Children's faith grows primarily at home—but many parents aren't exactly sure how to help that happen! In this 7-session course, discover how to create Christ-centered homes where faith grows naturally and freely. A helpful, practical resource for adult education classes, small groups, and individual study.

G.A. Position Papers

PRESBYTERIAN PANEL REPORT: 7717

CONFESSIONS AND OTHER TOPICS

Research Services, 2009 REPORT

The August 2009 Survey. How often do you consult the Book of Confessions outside of worship? Should the Belhar Confession be added to the Book of Confessions? Do you support a two-state solution in the Middle East? Members, elders, and ministers answered these and other questions in anticipation of the 2010 General Assembly.

PRESBYTERIAN PANEL REPORT: 7716

EDUCATION AND OTHER TOPICS

Research Services, 2009 REPORT

The November 2009 Survey. Should the government provide vouchers for private or charter schools? What are PC(USA) congregations doing to supplement or enhance educational opportunities for children and youth? Members, elders, and ministers responded to these and other questions about education. This report also addresses Presbyterian Publishing resources and PC(USA) mission and ministry awareness.

Hunger

EXODUS FROM HUNGER: WE ARE CALLED TO CHANGE 7712

THE POLITICS OF HUNGER

Beckmann, David Westminster John Knox Press, 2010 BOOK

In this powerful and hopeful book, David Beckmann, president of Bread for the World and a leading anti-hunger activist, looks at the causes of hunger, presents case studies of countries that have made great strides against it, and puts a human face on the problem by sharing stories of people who are, quite simply, hungry every day. The problems can seem overwhelming but Beckmann lays out a clear and workable plan for effectively using political channels to make great progress. He not only challenges us to get involved, he shows us how. It is no less than our call to do so.

Leadership: Officer Education

TEMPORARY SHEPHERDS 7774

A CONGREGATIONAL HANDBOOK FOR INTERIM MINISTRY

Nicholson, Roger S., ed. The Alban Institute, 1998 BOOK

Copy 3. For leaders anticipating or going through a pastoral transition & for clergy to understand interim ministry better.

Lent/Easter

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FREE OF CHARGE: GIVING AND FORGIVING **7775**

IN A CULTURE STRIPPED OF GRACE

Volf, Miroslav Zondervan, 2005 BOOK

Copy 2. Miroslav Volf draws from popular culture as well as from a wealth of literary and theological sources, weaving his rich reflections around the sturdy frame of Paul's vision of God's grace and Martin Luther's interpretation of that vision. Blending the best of theology and spirituality, he encourages us to echo in our own lives God's generous giving and forgiving. An exploration of how we can be transformed by the God who gives abundantly and who forgives unconditionally.

Mission

COMING HOME: HURRICANE KATRINA 5 YEARS LATER **7719**

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance PDA, PCUSA, 2010 DVD

Coming Home is the story of how gulf coast hurricane survivors and volunteers helping in the rebuilding efforts have touched each other's lives. Since 2005, more than 50,000 volunteer missions have cycled through Presbyterian Volunteer Villages and congregational hosting sites, donating over 2.4 million hours of labor. This documentary, alternately heart-wrenching and deeply inspiring, was broadcast as part of NBC's Horizons of the Spirit in September 2010.

MISSION POLICY GUIDE 1973-2010 **7739**

Abraham, Susan General Assembly Mission Council, P BOOK

A directory of current mission policies, position statements, strategies, guidelines, and actions of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

Prayer/Meditation

KNEELING IN BETHLEHEM **7776**

Weems, Ann Westminster John Knox Press, 1987 BOOK

Ann Weems, a Presbyterian elder and poet, reflects on the mystery of the Christmas season in these classic poems. See also the audio cassette (#4467), where the poems read by the author make the joys and concerns of the Advent season come alive.

WRITING TO GOD: **7766**

40 DAYS OF PRAYING WITH MY PEN

Hackenberg, Rachel G. Paraclete Press, 2011 BOOK

If you love to write, or if you need to spark your creativity, this book is for you. Writing to God offers forty insightful days of prayer and personal reflection. With poems and thoughts to prompt your own prayers, Writing to God will inspire you when you feel dry, help you voice your deepest complaints and greatest joys, and surprise you with fresh perspectives on God. When verbal prayers feel stale, or you simply want to try something fresh, open this inviting guide and pray wherever the pen leads! Includes a special section of prayers and prompts for Holy Week and Easter.

Presbyterians

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	BOOK OF ORDER 2010-2011: ANNOTATED EDITION						7734
	PART II: THE CONSTITUTION OF THE PCUSA						
	Office of the General Assembly		OGA, PCUSA 2010			BOOK	
	Annotated Edition. The Book of Order is the second part of the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). This volume contains the Form of Government, the Directory for Worship, and the Rules of Discipline. Additional information is provided to the reader through the inclusion of Received Ecumenical Statements of Guidance, Articles of Agreement, and material on the seal of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).						
	COMPARATIVE STATISTICS 2008						7718
	Research Services, PCUSA		PCUSA, 2009			BOOK	
	Comparative Statistics 2009 summarizes information about the ministers, members, and finances of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) for presbyteries, synods, and the denomination as a whole. Tables include trends in membership and numbers of congregations over the last 10 years, per member giving and expenditures, and ministers by call. Includes an introductory article by Jack Marcum that examines trends in gains and losses.						
	PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (USA): MINUTES, 219TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2010; PART I, JOURNAL						7741
			Office of the General Assembly, 2010			BOOK	
	2010; Part I, Journal. Proceedings, recommendations, final responses to referrals, referrals in progress, agency summaries, reports without recommendation, and supplement. PUBLISHED BI-ANNUALLY.						
	<i>Professional Ministry</i>						
	BECOMING THE PASTOR YOU HOPE TO BE:						7762
	FOUR PRACTICES FOR IMPROVING MINISTRY						
	Blodgett, Barbara J.		The Alban Institute, 2011			BOOK	
	Becoming the Pastor You Hope to Be unapologetically urges clergy readers to develop practices that will help them become more excellent ministers. A long-time field educator, now serving as a denominational staff person responsible for ministerial formation, Barbara Blodgett believes excellence is a matter of doing simple things with care and consistency. Ministers who commit themselves to excellence will grow and flourish, and even become happier in ministry.						
	EVALUATING MINISTRY: PRINCIPLES AND PROCESSES FOR CLERGY AND CONGREGATIONS						7780
	Hudson, Jill M.		The Alban Insitute, 1992			BOOK	
	Grounding evaluation in the theological and organizational context of mission (everyone a minister), Hudson describes case studies of four successful evaluation models that include the whole church. She suggests how "whole church" reviews might result in stronger pastoral ministry and new directions for mission. An important resource that will help clergy and laity explore mutual ministry, judicatory executives strengthen congregations, and new pastors get through their first congregational evaluation.						

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PURSUING PASTORAL EXCELLENCE 7736

PATHWAYS TO FRUITFUL LEADERSHIP

Hopkins, Paul E. The Alban Institute, 2011 BOOK

In Pursuing Pastoral Excellence, pastoral counselor and educator Paul Hopkins aims to help pastoral leaders make a lasting and positive difference in the lives of the people and communities they serve. The heart of this book is the stories of seven ordinary pastors whose leadership has become extraordinary. Their stories not only highlight important characteristics and practices that nurture fruitful pastoral leadership, but they invite readers to examine their own stories, to think about the value of longevity in ministry, and to enhance the enduring impact of their own pastoral leadership.

SPIRIT'S TETHER: EIGHT LIVES IN MINISTRY 7777

Warford, Malcolm L. The Alban Institute, 2011 BOOK

The Spirit's Tether: Eight Lives in Ministry tells the stories of eight men and women from their days as students at Union Theological Seminary in New York through their work today as pastors in local congregations over thirty years later. They reflect on their vocational journeys and express what their calling has meant to them personally and professionally. The book reveals eight richly textured narratives full of the insight, heartache, and delight that go hand in hand with the practice of ministry—unvarnished truths from eight who have been formed by this work and calling. A resource for ministers, congregational leaders, and those in theological education whose role it is to prepare women and men for their sojourns into ordained ministry.

STARTING WITH SPIRIT 7737

NURTURING YOUR CALL TO PASTORAL LEADERSHIP

Epperly, Bruce G. The Alban Institute, 2011 BOOK

Starting with Spirit is a spiritual and professional resource for new pastors, their family members, and congregations, as well as ministers in every season of ministry who seek to grow in vitality and skill in the ongoing adventure of ministry. He addresses the new pastor's transition from seminary student to congregational leader; pastoral authority; the "honeymoon"; boundaries; death; the pastor's spiritual life, health, and relationships; the role of the associate pastor; and continuing education.

Retreat/Conference Centers

CAMP JOHNSONBURG 7738

Camp Johnsonburg, 2010 DVD

A promotional DVD for Camp Johnsonburg, a regional Presbyterian camp, located in New Jersey and supported by the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and seven New Jersey presbyteries. A camp for young and old.

Seminaries/Higher Education

SEMINARIES AND CHURCHES TOGETHER 7773

FOR GENERATIONS TO COME

GAMC, PCUSA, 2010 DVD

This DVD highlights the diverse voices of leaders preparing for ministry at our Presbyterian Seminaries and the support provided by the Theological Education Fund.

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WELCOME TO THEOLOGICAL FIELD EDUCATION!							7721
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	Floding, Matthew, ed.			The Alban Institute, 2011			BOOK
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Field education is an opportunity for students to develop ministry skills, practice ministerial reflection, discern their call, experience professional collegiality, and undergo personal transformation. Field education offers them a place to practice ministry and a space to reflect on it, to integrate theory and practice, and grow towards competency. In *Welcome to Theological Field Education!* eleven directors of field education in seminaries and divinity schools across North America pass on their wisdom to both students and their supervisors. Edited by Matthew Floding, director of field education at Western Seminary in Holland, Michigan, this volume covers critical topics such as the art of supervision and formation, the use of case studies and peer reflection groups, self-care and ministerial ethics, and assessment.

Sermon Resources

FEASTING ON THE WORD: PREACHING ON THE REVISED COMMON							7787
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LECTIONARY: YEAR B, VOLUME 3

	Bartlett, David L. & Barbara Brown Taylor	Westminster John Knox Press, 2011					BOOK
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Pentecost and Season after Pentecost 1 (Propers 3-16). The twelve volumes of the series cover all the Sundays in the three-year lectionary cycle, along with movable occasions, such as Christmas Day, Epiphany, Holy Week, and All Saints' Day.

FEASTING ON THE WORD: PREACHING ON THE REVISED COMMON							7791
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LECTIONARY: YEAR C, VOLUME 3

	Bartlett, David L. & Barbara Brown Taylor	Westminster John Knox Press, 2011					BOOK
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FEASTING ON THE WORD: PREACHING ON THE REVISED COMMON							7790
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LECTIONARY: YEAR C, VOLUME 2

	Bartlett, David L. & Barbara Brown Taylor	Westminster John Knox Press, 2011					BOOK
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Lent through Eastertide. The twelve volumes of the series cover all the Sundays in the three-year lectionary cycle, along with movable occasions, such as Christmas Day, Epiphany, Holy Week, and All Saints' Day.

FEASTING ON THE WORD: PREACHING ON THE REVISED COMMON							7789
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LECTIONARY: YEAR C, VOLUME 1

	Bartlett, David L. & Barbara Brown Taylor	Westminster John Knox Press, 2011					BOOK
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Advent through Transfiguration. The twelve volumes of the series cover all the Sundays in the three-year lectionary cycle, along with movable occasions, such as Christmas Day, Epiphany, Holy Week, and All Saints' Day. For each lectionary text, preachers will find four brief essays--one each on the theological, pastoral, exegetical, and homiletical challenges of the text. This gives preachers sixteen different approaches to the proclamation of the Word on any given occasion. The editors and contributors to this series are world-class scholars, pastors, and writers representing a variety of denominations and traditions. The series follows the Revised Common Lectionary, however each volume contains an index of biblical passages so that nonlectionary preachers, as well as teachers and students, may make use of its contents.

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	FEASTING ON THE WORD: PREACHING ON THE REVISED COMMON						7788
	LECTIONARY: YEAR B, VOLUME 4						
	Bartlett, David L. & Barbara Brown Taylor	Westminster John Knox Press, 2011					BOOK
	Season after Pentecost 2 (Propers 17 - Reign of Christ). The twelve volumes of the series cover all the Sundays in the three-year lectionary cycle, along with movable occasions, such as Christmas Day, Epiphany, Holy Week, and All Saints' Day.						
	FEASTING ON THE WORD: PREACHING ON THE REVISED COMMON						7784
	LECTIONARY: YEAR A, VOLUME 4						
	Bartlett, David L. & Barbara Brown Taylor	Westminster John Knox Press, 2011					BOOK
	Season after Pentecost 2 (Propers 17 - Reign of Christ). The twelve volumes of the series cover all the Sundays in the three-year lectionary cycle, along with movable occasions, such as Christmas Day, Epiphany, Holy Week, and All Saints' Day.						
	FEASTING ON THE WORD: PREACHING ON THE REVISED COMMON						7783
	LECTIONARY: YEAR A, VOLUME 3						
	Bartlett, David L. & Barbara Brown Taylor	Westminster John Knox Press, 2011					BOOK
	Pentecost and Season after Pentecost 1 (Propers 3-16). The twelve volumes of the series cover all the Sundays in the three-year lectionary cycle, along with movable occasions, such as Christmas Day, Epiphany, Holy Week, and All Saints' Day.						
	FEASTING ON THE WORD: PREACHING ON THE REVISED COMMON						7792
	LECTIONARY: YEAR C, VOLUME 4						
	Bartlett, David L. & Barbara Brown Taylor	Westminster John Knox Press, 2011					BOOK
	Season after Pentecost 2 (Propers 17 - Reign of Christ). The twelve volumes of the series cover all the Sundays in the three-year lectionary cycle, along with movable occasions, such as Christmas Day, Epiphany, Holy Week, and All Saints' Day.						
	FEASTING ON THE WORD: PREACHING ON THE REVISED COMMON						7782
	LECTIONARY: YEAR A, VOLUME 2						
	Bartlett, David L. & Barbara Brown Taylor	Westminster John Knox Press, 2011					BOOK
	Lent through Eastertide. The twelve volumes of the series cover all the Sundays in the three-year lectionary cycle, along with movable occasions, such as Christmas Day, Epiphany, Holy Week, and All Saints' Day.						
	FEASTING ON THE WORD: PREACHING ON THE REVISED COMMON						7786
	LECTIONARY: YEAR B, VOLUME 2						
	Bartlett, David L. & Barbara Brown Taylor	Westminster John Knox Press, 2011					BOOK
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FEASTING ON THE WORD: PREACHING ON THE REVISED COMMON 7781

LECTIONARY: YEAR A, VOLUME 1

Bartlett, David L. & Barbara Brown Taylor Westminster John Knox Press, 2011 BOOK

Advent through Transfiguration. The twelve volumes of the series cover all the Sundays in the three-year lectionary cycle, along with movable occasions, such as Christmas Day, Epiphany, Holy Week, and All Saints' Day. For each lectionary text, preachers will find four brief essays--one each on the theological, pastoral, exegetical, and homiletical challenges of the text. This gives preachers sixteen different approaches to the proclamation of the Word on any given occasion. The editors and contributors to this series are world-class scholars, pastors, and writers representing a variety of denominations and traditions. The series follows the Revised Common Lectionary, however each volume contains an index of biblical passages so that nonlectionary preachers, as well as teachers and students, may make use of its contents.

FEASTING ON THE WORD: PREACHING ON THE REVISED COMMON 7785

LECTIONARY: YEAR B, VOLUME 1

Bartlett, David L. & Barbara Brown Taylor Westminster John Knox Press, 2011 BOOK

Advent through Transfiguration. The twelve volumes of the series cover all the Sundays in the three-year lectionary cycle, along with movable occasions, such as Christmas Day, Epiphany, Holy Week, and All Saints' Day. For each lectionary text, preachers will find four brief essays--one each on the theological, pastoral, exegetical, and homiletical challenges of the text. This gives preachers sixteen different approaches to the proclamation of the Word on any given occasion. The editors and contributors to this series are world-class scholars, pastors, and writers representing a variety of denominations and traditions. The series follows the Revised Common Lectionary, however each volume contains an index of biblical passages so that nonlectionary preachers, as well as teachers and students, may make use of its contents.

PREACHING THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW: 7713

PROCLAIMING GOD'S PRESENCE

Saunders, Stanley P. Westminster John Knox Press, 2010 BOOK

This commentary for preaching Matthew, works through every passage of Matthew's Gospel with exegetical insight and a keen sensitivity to the demands of preaching. Stanley P. Saunders' commentary follows the biblical text, divided into passages. After each passage, a number of possibilities are presented for how to preach that text. He includes a wealth of creative and pertinent tips to help preachers apply Matthew's narrative to the lives of today's churchgoers.

Singles/Young Adults

GREENHOUSES OF HOPE: CONGREGATIONS GROWING YOUNG 7720

LEADERS WHO WILL CHANGE THE WORLD

Baker, Dori Grinenko, ed. The Alban Institute, 2010 BOOK

A Greenhouse of Hope is a Christian congregation freeing itself to experiment with both newly imagined and time-honored ways of following the path of Jesus. Its members respond to God's love through practices that genuinely embrace the gifts of youth and young adults. Out of these greenhouses emerge young leaders who want to change the world.

Theology/Christian Doctrine

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OTHER JESUS: REJECTING A RELIGION OF FEAR **7756**
FOR THE GOD OF LOVE

Garrett, Greg Westminster John Knox Press, 2011 BOOK

According to recent surveys, many Americans associate the label "Christian" with judgmental attitudes, hypocrisy, fear of hell, and a commitment to right-wing politics. Author Greg Garrett suggests another way, arguing that a faith that focuses solely on personal morality and the afterlife misses much of the point of Jesus' message. The other way of following Christ is not concerned with an array of commandments or with holding the "right" beliefs. Rather it is centered on loving each other and loving God, or as Garrett puts it, "love, where the rubber meets the road, where faith meets the world." Personal and moving, the book relates the author's personal experience growing up in--and leaving--a disapproving conservative church and then finding his way back to a different kind of Christian community, which is communal, missional, just, and loving. Garrett draws upon popular culture to illustrate his spiritual points, showing how authentic Christian truth can be found in unlikely places.

SURPRISED BY MEANING: SCIENCE, FAITH, AND HOW **7757**
WE MAKE SENSE OF THINGS

McGrath, Alister E. Westminster John Knox Press, 2011 BOOK

We live in an age when the growth of the Internet has made it easier than ever to gain access to information and accumulate knowledge. But information is not the same as meaning, nor is knowledge identical with wisdom. Many people feel engulfed by a tsunami of facts in which they can find no meaning. In thirteen short, accessible chapters McGrath, author of the bestselling *The Dawkins Delusion*, leads the reader through a nontechnical discussion of science and faith. How do we make sense of the world around us? Are belief in science and the Christian faith compatible? Does the structure of the universe point toward the existence of God? McGrath's goal is to help readers see that science is neither antithetical to faith, nor does it supersede faith. Both science and faith help with the overriding human desire to make sense of things. Faith is a complex idea. It is not a blind leap into the dark but a joyful discovery of a bigger picture of wondrous things of which we are all a part.

Worship

CALL TO WORSHIP: LITURGY, MUSIC, PREACHING & THE ARTS **7761**
VOL. 44.3: THE GREAT FIFTY DAYS

Office of Theology and Worship PCUSA, 2010 BOOK

This issue of *Call to Worship* focuses on the Season of Easter, a period of fifty days that spans the time from the Resurrection of the Lord on Easter Sunday to the Day of Pentecost. This issue includes articles on preaching, music, and celebrating the Lord's Supper in the season of Easter. A resource for musicians, pastors and worship planners.

WORSHIP MATTERS: A STUDY FOR CONGREGATIONS **7759**

Vann, Jane Rogers Westminster John Knox Press, 2011 BOOK

Sunday worship is the central act of the Christian faith, yet few people truly understand what is happening during the service, and why, and how. Based on numerous visits with congregations of many denominations, Jane Rogers Vann examines how we can eliminate the barrier between the preacher and the people in the pew, and offers practical advice directed not just toward church leaders but to worship committees and church members--all who are yearning to be fully engaged in worship. Photographs of many of the churches she visited are included.

Worship: Sacraments

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	CALL TO WORSHIP: LITURGY, MUSIC, PREACHING & THE ARTS						7760
	VOL. 44.2: THE SACRAMENTAL LIFE						
	Office of Theology and Worship			PCUSA, 2010			BOOK
	This issue of Call to Worship offers a collection of new and classic articles on the Sacraments and sacramental living. A feature essay by Harold Daniels offers a fresh look at the Lord's Supper in Sunday worship. A resource for musicians, pastors and worship planners.						
	GOD' S ABUNDANT TABLE						7754
	Campbell, Cynthia M.			Witherspoon Press, 2011			BOOK
	According to John Calvin, the true church was wherever the Word was rightly preached and the sacraments rightly administered. Put another way, church happens when believers gather to tell the story and break the bread. In God's Abundant Table, Cynthia Campbell begins with the premise that the Eucharist (the "thanksgiving meal" of the church) is far more than a re-enactment of the meal in the Upper Room. Rightly understood, the Lord's Supper is connected to Jesus' entire ministry, to the entire story of God's relationship with God's people, to our everyday meals and to the ministry to which each of us is called as Christ's followers. Whether used for personal reflection or congregational study, this reflection on key biblical texts and a six-session study guide, will invite you to discover the many connections in the Bible between what we do in the Lord's Supper, what it means to be in relationship with God, and how God would have us live every day.						
	LEADING THROUGH THE WATER						7763
	Galbreath, Paul			The Alban Institute, 2011			BOOK
	In Leading through the Water, Paul Galbreath demonstrates one way of linking baptismal practice to daily life as congregations provide an alternative witness to the cultural voices around us. At the same time, it expands the vision of baptism from a single occasion to a distinctive way of life within a community of faith and a primary metaphor for Christian discipleship.						
	Youth Ministry: Triennium						
	PRESBYTERIAN YOUTH TRIENNIUM 2010						7735
	HIGHLIGHTS DVD						
	PYT			PYT, 2010			DVD
	Highlights of the 2010 Presbyterian Youth Triennium held in Lafayette, IN, July 20-24, 2010. At the Presbyterian Youth Triennium, through the presentations, studies, recreational events and mission experiences we strive to connect youth and adults with activities that inspire them to be alert, be active and seek ways to connect their lives with their growing faith. The triennial conference is sponsored by the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and the Cumberland Presbyterian Churches.						