

Advent/Christmas Resources

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| ABINGDON'S CHRISTMAS DRAMA COLLECTION | b | 4 easy to produce dramas, suitable for small-med sized churches, collection features speaking and nonspeaking parts for a variety of age levels, also has a number of poems and recitations. |
| ADVENT 2006: BOUND IN SWADDLING CLOTHES | b | An Advent study based on the RCL. Archer points out that the big to-do about the season is not what we do but God's activity. God's 2 great actions, Out of compassionate love He comes to the world and Jesus Christ will come again. 5 sess. w/leader's gd. |
| ADVENT 2007: HAIL THE HEAVEN BORN (New 2007) | b | Based on the RCL texts.John the Baptist announces the coming Messiah. What changes can we expect in our lives as a result of preparing the way of the Lord? How do we prepare the way of the Lord?Includes a leader's guide. |
| ADVENT 2008: COME TO THE MANGER | b | An Advent study based on the Revised Common Lectionary. Five sessions invite us to see God's face, to find our way to the manger, to identify a vision for vocation, to build God's house, and behold Jesus. For use in Sunday school class/small groups. |
| ADVENT 2009: CELEBRATE THE NEWBORN JESUS | b | 5 session study of the RCL texts, invites the reader to remember God's promises in all circumstances of our lives. Includes leader's guide. |
| ADVENT 2010: BLESSINGS OF THE MANGER | b | An Advent study based on the RCL. Discover the blessings that began in the manger and that continue as we look forward with hope to Christ's return. Five sessions: The Blessing of.. God's Future, Peace, Waiting, God With Us, Light. Includes leader's gd. |
| ADVENT 2011: CALL HIM GOD'S SON | b | Inspires readers to deepen their commitment to Jesus Christ as they reflect upon his birth/coming again.Each lesson in the 5 session group study includes question for personal reflection and commentary based on the Old Testament,Epistle,Gospel from RCL. |
| ADVENT 2012: PREPARING THE WAY | b | Through the study of the RCL, Susan Mink reminds us that preparing for the coming of Christ opens our hearts/minds to hope and to deeper level of commitment to God and to our neighbor.Leader's guide and suggestions for group activities is included. |
| ADVENT 2013:GOD'S GIFT OF LOVE | b | Through the study of the RCL readings designated for Advent, Year A, Donna Schaper helps readers experience the blessings of Jesus' birth and Christ's second coming in the fullness of time.Leader's guide and suggestions for group activities is included. |
| ADVENT 2014: THE LORD IS OUR LIGHT | b | Through the study of the RCL texts for Advent, Year B, Elaine Crawford helps readers understand the meaning of our Advent hope, its message in of salvation, and how we are called to live in"in the meantime." Leader's guide/suggestions for group activitie |
| ADVENT 2015: THE GIFT OF NEW HOPE | b | Based on the RCL Scriptures,Year C. Includes commentary/reflection on readings from the O.T.,Gospels,the Epistles.5 session study helps participants appreciate/engage in meaningful/joyous celebrations,to live each day in God's hope through Jesus Christ. |
| ADVENT 2016: GOD IS WITH US | b | Based on the RCL,Year A, this study includes commentary/reflection on the readings from the Old Testament, Epistles and the Gospels. Offers opportunity to explore these Bible reading in a 5-session study with questions,leaders helps for small group study |
| ADVENT 2017: LORD IS OUR LIGHT, THE | b | Challenges us to cultivate faithful lives here and now. Based upon the Revised Common Lectionary Scriptures for Year B, the study with built-in leader guide includes commentary and reflection. |
| ADVENT A TO Z: PRAYERFUL AND PLAYFUL PREPARATIONS FOR FAMILIES | b | Explores an Advent-related word, followed by suggestions for simple, east -to-prepare activities(discussion starters,games,crafts,,meditations,journaling,outreach project,devotions. Appropriate for family use and small groups, for children and adults. |
| ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS: BRIDGES TO CONTEMPLATIVE LIVING | b | Opens the writings of Thomas Merton/pairs with words of other great spiritual thinkers.Leads participants on journey toward spiritual transformation/more contemplative/peace-filled life.5 weeks/themes:Hope,Salvation,Compassion,Tenderness,Word Made Flesh. |
| ADVENT CALENDAR ON DVD 2: CHRISTMAS CAROLS EDITION | DVD | 25 brief reflections on treasured songs/carols for the entire family to enjoy during Advent. DVD includes Advent coloring book, scripts and song lyrics, daily bible readings(4 translations) in PDF format. |

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| ADVENT CALENDAR ON DVD: A CHRISTMAS COUNTDOWN FOR DECEMBER | DVD | 25 mini documentaries 3-4 minutes. Where the wreath,mistletoe,candycane,Christmas trees,gift-giving,12 days of Christmas came from. Find out the stories behind Santa Claus,Rudolph,the Nutcracker,the Christmas Angels,Handel's Messiah,and the 4th Wise Man |
| ADVENT CONSPIRACY: CAN CHRISTMAS STILL CHANGE THE WORLD | DVD | 4 sessions on a 55 minute DVD w/guide Advent Conspiracy invites individuals,families,groups,entire churches to substitute compassion for consumerism by practicing four simple counter cultural concepts. 1.WorshipFully 2.Spend Less 3.Give More 4.Love All. |
| ADVENT IN NARNIA: REFLECTIONS FOR THE SEASON | b | With its themes of light/ darkness,temptation/sin, forgiveness/hope-C.S. Lewis's The Lion, Witch, and Wardrobe naturally enhances the Advent season of reflection in these 28 devotions.Leader's guide for small group/info to create a family Narnia Night. |
| ADVENT INSTRUCTOR, THE: REFLECTIONS ON CHRISTMAS SYMBOLISM | b | A collection of information that will help enrich readers and listeners awareness of the symbols that surround them during the seasons of Advent and Christmas. |
| ADVENT JESSE TREE, THE | b | Daily Advent devotions are written in two versions, children and adult, including a Scripture, a story and commentary, questions to ask, a prayer, and a song. For all ages. |
| ADVENT LEARNING KIT | b | Supplementary activities to help emphasize some of the significant events and terminology used by Christians to commemorate the very important time of Advent and Christmas. |
| ADVENT OF GOD'S WORD: LISTENING FOR THE POWER OF THE DIVINE WHISPER | b | Invites you into a daily retreat experience, offering inspiring reflections, fresh perspectives on the season's traditional scripture readings, and creative ways to let God's word sink deep into your heart and soul. |
| ADVENT OF THE SAVIOR | b | 6 studies for individuals and groups introduce the circumstances surrounding the birth of Jesus. Remind you God's faithfulness/power to fulfill his promises. Includes leader's notes/discussion questions. |
| ADVENT OF WOMEN, THE | b | 25 meditations, one for each day of Advent, which express a woman's experience of coming into full personhood in Christ. |
| ADVENT, CHRISTMAS, AND EPIPHANY:LITURGIES/PRAYERS FOR PUBLIC WORSHIP | b | Hymn writer and liturgist Brian Wren, offers a new collection of theologically sound, carefully crafted, and creative worship resources suitable for use in a variety of worship traditions and in congregations or groups of all sizes. |
| ADVENT: A CONGREGATIONAL LIFE/INTERGENERATIONAL EXPERIENCE | b | This resource is for the entire family, church community, and for people of all ages. It emphasizes doing things together rather than pulling participants in different directions. |
| ADVENTUALLY: WAITING FOR THE MESSIAH | b | A readers' drama for Advent. |
| ALL EARTH IS WAITING: DEVOTIONS FOR THE SEASON | b | Collection of 28 Advent devotions are a companion piece to the book and include Scripture, reflections, and prayers for each day to help you prepare your heart during the season of Advent. |
| ALL EARTH IS WAITING: GOOD NEWS FOR GOD'S CREATION AT ADVENT | b | The message of All Earth is Waiting is we have a responsibility to care for this earth in preparation for Christ's return. Designed for small groups/individuals offers reflection questions,prayer,Advent candle lighting liturgies,call to worship, and more |
| ALL I REALLY WANT: READINGS FOR A MODERN CHRISTMAS | b | Offers witty, edgy, modern prayers for every morning/evening of the Christmas season. Includes simple actions you can take toward the deeper meaning of the season. |
| ALL I WANT FOR CHRISTMAS | b | A four week study appropriate for both group and individual use, provides one lesson for each week of Advent, centered on the themes of hope,peace,joy and a Savior. |
| ALL ROADS LEAD TO THE STABLE | b | A set of Advent monologs 1.Isaiah: Such a Deal! 2.Caleb: I moved the Goats. 3.Shepherd: Star Watcher. 4.Beauregard: Angelology 101. 5.Mary: Quietly Thinking. |
| ANGELS WE WILL HEAR ON HIGH | b | Here are eight unconventional Christmas stories written by pastor Arthur F. Fogartie, each originally presented to his congregation as a story-sermon for Christmas Eve. |
| ANTICIPATING HIS ARRIVAL | b | From the 1st Sunday of Advent through Christmas Day, readings include discussion questions/responses for individual/family discussion. Scripture follows RCL adapted into a daily reading plan for all 3 years in the liturgical cycle. |
| AWAITING THE ALREADY | b | An Advent study though the four Gospels, this study has 5 sessions. May be used by individuals or small groups. Each Chapter offers questions, brief prayer, and focus for the upcoming week. |

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| BABY BORN IN A STABLE | b | Children's story about the birth of Jesus. |
| BABY IS COMING, A | b | Retelling of the first Christmas in English and Spanish. |
| BARRINGTON BUNNY | vid | Barrington is a lonely rabbit. He wants to share Christmas with someone, but he can't do the things his other animal friends can do. (climb trees, swim, etc. Feeling lonely and dejected, he meets a silver wolf who teaches him about his unique gifts. |
| BEDBUG BIBLE GANG CHRISTMAS SHOW, THE | DVD | 30 minute DVD appropriate for 4-6 year olds. However, all ages will enjoy hearing the bedbugs tell the stories of Mary's Surprise, The Wise Men, and The Shepherds of Bethlehem. |
| BEHOLD! CULTIVATING ATTENTIVENESS IN THE SEASON OF ADVENT | b | For each of the 4 weeks of Advent, this book focuses on a single Advent word from the Scripture readings for that week. Offers a form of prayer/spiritual practices for readers to try. Includes leaders guide. |
| BEING REFORMED: FSU: ILLUMINATING ADVENT | curr | Biblically based 6-session mini courses, provides adults with a foundational understanding of our Reformed faith. Features Scripture, a prayer, in-depth commentary, questions for reflection. Leader's guide provides outlines, direction for group sessions. |
| BEST CHRISTMAS PAGEANT EVER, THE | DVD | First shown on PBS starring Loretta Swit. Delightful story of the "Herdsmen," wanting to be in the Christmas pageant. Along with funny lines, it is a touching and humorous video that brings us the true meaning of Christmas. |
| BEST CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS FOR ALL AGES | b | Full of resources to meet your church's needs for worship services/programs this holiday season. Entirely reproducible, easy to use, roles for children, teens and adults, includes a wealth of plays, poems, readings, skits, and dramas. |
| BEST NIGHT OF THE YEAR, THE | vid | A Christmas story for children retelling the story of Jesus' birth from the stable animals point of view. |
| BETHLEHEM TREE, THE | b | A family advent resource book for parents and children, to help them make ready the way of the Lord. Directions for simply made decorations. All ten decorations have something to say about the great event in Bethlehem. |
| BETHLEHEM: YEAR ZERO | DVD | Presented in a news format as if the events surrounding Christ's birth were happening now. Enlightening presentation provides a greater understanding and new appreciation of the world into which Jesus was born. |
| BIBLE LIFE & TIMES:#1: LUKE: THE FIRST CHRISTMAS | vid | Ch. 1-4: Looks at the Temple and its priesthood, Jewish birth rituals, angels and archangels, sacrifice and dedication, Simeon and Anna, the Messianic expectation, baptism, the Dead Sea sect. |
| BIRTH THAT CHANGED MY LIFE, THE | b | Dramatic narratives from the first Christmas |
| BLUEPRINTS FOR ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS | b | Provides resources for creating inspiring worship experience. Contains detailed instructions for replicating the Nativity setting including blueprints. Seasonal scenes, activities, mini dramas, homilies for use with lectionary cycles A/B w/ reproducing rights |
| BRIGHTEST STAR OF ALL, THE: CHRISTMAS STORIES FOR THE FAMILY | b | Christians have built on the scriptural account of Jesus' birth to create dozens of Christmas stories: The Light in the Well, The Camel's Hump, The Gift of the Spider etc. This book uses these simple stories to help bring new understanding of the Nativity. |
| CELEBRATING ABUNDANCE: DEVOTIONS FOR ADVENT | b | Includes daily reflections on the Scriptures/stories of Advent in order to invite us to see beyond the world's faux extravagance and realize the true feast laid out before us. 12 prayers are included for the 12 days of Christmas. |
| CELEBRATING ADVENT CHRISTMAS EPIPHANY | curr | Six session course, part of Youth Action Curr from Celebrate. |
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| CELEBRATING THE ADVENT/CHRISTMAS SEASON | b | Contains ideas for church school teachers, superintendents, families, pastors, those planning the annual Christmas program. Author believes that more learning takes place when all ages learn, experience, worship in various settings reinforcing related themes. |
| CHILD IN WINTER, A | b | A beautiful collection of inspirational wisdom and reflections for Advent, Christmas and Epiphany. |
| CHILD IS BORN, A | b | Meditation for Advent and Christmas by J. Barrie Shepherd. 30 days of morning and evening prayer, scripture. Ending with Christmas Day. |

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| CHILD OF THE LIGHT | b | Provides tools to help you find your quiet center. Inspired by the season's carol and hymns, the readings extend past Christmas to Epiphany, encouraging living into the joy of Christmas beyond seasonal celebrations. A small group guide is included. |
| CHILDREN'S DRAMAS FOR THE CHURCH YEAR | b | Reproducible resource contains a variety of Advent/Christmas dramas that can be performed by kids of all ages. There are simple productions for younger children/more complicated ones for older children. |
| CHILDREN'S VIDEO BIBLE: VOL. 4: THE FIRST CHRISTMAS | vid | Stories include A Baby called John, The 1st Christmas, When Jesus Was Young, Jesus' Special Friends, Jesus the Teacher, Jesus Gives the People Food, Secrets Jesus Told, the Story of the Good Samaritan, the Sower, the Two Brothers, the Great Feast. |
| CHRISMONS FOR YOUR TREE | b | Christian Ornaments for home and Church. Includes-definition of Chrismons, History, modern Chrismons, where to use, materials for and where to find materials, techniques and directions for making. |
| CHRISMONS- THEY POINT TO JESUS | b | This book includes Order of Worship and provides patterns, instructions and background information for 20 different Chrismons, or "monograms of Christ." Also includes a church program appropriate for children and adults that presents and explains. |
| CHRISMONS: BASIC SERIES | b | Book on Chrismons. Gives history, definition, purpose, how-to make, patterns, symbols and their meanings, pattern, and directions. |
| CHRISTMAS A TO Z: EVERY LETTER TELLS A STORY | b | Using both the English and Spanish alphabets, the authors of this delightful children's book convey the Christmas story in a bright new way. |
| CHRISTMAS CRAFTS | b | Things to make the 24 days before Christmas. All of the projects have simple instructions and step by step illustrations. They are made with inexpensive and easy to get materials. The author also tells about the origins of many Christmas customs. |
| CHRISTMAS CRAFTS FOR EVERYONE | b | A treasury of international handicrafts. Careful, clear directions for making crafts from the very simple to the elaborate. |
| CHRISTMAS CUSTOMS AROUND THE WORLD | b | Divided geographically by continent and by country, this book discusses the Christmas celebration, with special emphasis on geographical and cultural influences. |
| CHRISTMAS EVERYWHERE: ADVENT ACTIVITIES AND PAGEANT | b | Provides us with new opportunity to re-experience and re-interpret aged symbols. Helps understand the celebrations and symbols of other nationalities and learn from them. Part 1, activities for Advent for whole church family. Part 2, pageant. |
| CHRISTMAS FOR CHILDREN | vid | Delightful stories for the Christmas Season on two video tapes. Tape 1: The Christmas Donkey, The Silent Night of Jeremy Rabbit, and The Christmas Journey of Deborah Dove. Tape 2: Peter and The Hermit, The Other Wise Man, and The Joy of Christmas. |
| CHRISTMAS FROM THE BACKSIDE | b | Enriched with contemporary illustrations and personal experiences, this volume will provide new perspectives on Christmas. |
| CHRISTMAS GIFT, A | vid | Christmas, love, sharing. Based on Peter, Paul & Mary ballad "Christmas Dinner". It is Christmas Eve, a young boy and a gray haired lady share a Christmas meal and love of Christmas. |
| CHRISTMAS GIFTS THAT WON'T BREAK | DVD | Reflect on the unbreakable gifts that God has given us: hope, love, joy, peace and be reminded of God's greatest gift. 5/10-12 min. sessions on DVD/all church materials w/ Jacob Armstrong exploring the principles found in the Advent book by James W. Moore. |
| CHRISTMAS GIFTS THAT WON'T BREAK: ADULTS | b | An Advent study for adults. Reflects on the unbreakable gifts that God has given: hope, love, joy, peace. Includes stories, scripture. Study guide includes discussion questions, prayers, suggestions for group use. |
| CHRISTMAS GIFTS THAT WON'T BREAK: CHILDREN | b | An Advent study for children. Celebrates 4 Christmas gifts that will never wear out/go missing. Hope, Love, Joy, Peace. Each lesson includes introductory activities, Bible story interaction, small group time to discover ways to give/receive unbreakable gifts. |
| CHRISTMAS GIFTS THAT WON'T BREAK: YOUTH | b | An Advent study for youth intended for teens. Celebrates four Christmas gifts that will never wear out or go missing. Hope, Love, Joy, Peace. |
| CHRISTMAS HYMN ACTIVITIES | b | Highlights the Christian teaching in Six Christmas hymns, the book provides 10 or more activities for each hymn. |
| CHRISTMAS IS COMING! BUT WAITING IS HARD! | b | Enables families to engage in meaningful preparation for Christmas with family devotions that focus on connecting Jesus and a symbol of Christmas, along with Scriptures that relate to the Advent wreath and meaning of each candle. |

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| CHRISTMAS IS NOT YOUR BIRTHDAY | b | Experience the joy of living and giving like Jesus. In five short, engaging chapters, Pastor Mike Slaughter inspires readers to approach Christmas differently, and be transformed in the process. |
| CHRISTMAS JOURNEY | b | Seven scene Christmas play for youth or adults. Written with a lot of rhyme, poetry brings out profound feelings and abstract subject. 23 characters used, but one person could play more than one part since few characters are on stage at the same time. |
| CHRISTMAS JOY OFFERING VIDEO | vid | This video will help congregations better understand the mission of the Christmas Joy Offering. |
| CHRISTMAS MESSENGER | vid | On a snowy Christmas Eve, a traveler pauses in a country village in Dickensian England to listen to the carolers. He is joined by a young boy, and as they listen, the stranger, tells the stories behind the carols. |
| CHRISTMAS ON STAGE | b | A collection of 27 royalty-free plays and readings for Christmas: pageants, fantasies, comedies, dance/musicals, readers theatre, adaptations from classics, Christmas readings and poems. |
| CHRISTMAS ON THE STREET: THE SECRET OF THE SECOND BASEMENT | b | True Christmas spirit is revealed to children through the beauty of this story and the relationships of its characters. |
| CHRISTMAS PRAISE | b | Worship resources for the seasons of Christmas |
| CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN | b | A collection of ten plays, programs, and recitations. |
| CHRISTMAS PROMISE | b | This collection of dramas and readings for children of all ages also includes prayers and readings for the four Sundays of Advent and selections that can be used in worship services for the whole church. Reproducible. |
| CHRISTMAS PROMISE, A | b | A Christmas story from the Cape Light Novel series. |
| CHRISTMAS REFLECTIONS | b | Writings from five best-loved authors that reflect the true meaning of Christmas. What Can We Learn From the Christ Child? The Cradle and the Star. The Christmas People. Come Home for Christmas. |
| CHRISTMAS SHOPPE, THE: AN ADVENT EXPERIENCE FOR CHILDREN | b | The Christmas Shoppe is a Christ-centered experience where children will hear the Christmas story, create symbols to be sold to support a mission project of the church's choice, includes worship service. |
| CHRISTMAS STAR, A: A CAPE LIGHT NOVEL | b | In a town like Cape Light, there's always room at the inn. But when hardships bring people together under one roof, things don't always go smoothly. Despite hardships, it soon becomes clearer than ever that miracles can happen in the humblest of settings. |
| CHRISTMAS STAR, THE: EASY CHRISTMAS DRAMAS, SPEECHES FOR CHILDREN | b | Reproducible Christmas dramas, speeches, and recitations for children. Offers seven dramas requiring few props and little rehearsal. |
| CHRISTMAS STORIES | b | Advent/Christmas studies especially for adults looking for a more contemporary approach to Advent. |
| CHRISTMAS STORY, THE | CD | The Christmas story dramatized on compact disk. |
| CHRISTMAS TROLL, THE | b | The first children's book by acclaimed author and Bible translator Eugene Peterson, The Christmas Troll is a story that reminds readers young and old to keep their eyes open for God's most surprising gifts. |
| CHRISTMAS: THE GOOD, THE BAD AND THE UGLY | b | Focuses on people in the story of Christ's birth such as the wise men, the shepherds, and Joseph as well as the evil King Herod, reminding us that there is evil in our world that we so desperately needed and need a Savior. 4 lessons for individual/group. |
| CLEAR VIEW OF JESUS' BIRTH, A | vid | Dr. Ken Bailey, bring a new perspective to the birth narrative, by addressing the questions: Why didn't Joseph have Mary stoned? Was Jesus really born in a stable? Was Joseph really so inept that he couldn't find a place to stay in his own family's villa |
| CLEAR VIEW OF THE BIRTH OF JESUS, A | DVD | Dr. Ken Bailey, brings a new perspective to the birth narrative, by addressing the questions: Why didn't Joseph have Mary stoned? Was Jesus really born in a stable? Was Joseph really so inept that he couldn't find a place to stay in his own family's villa |
| CLOTH FOR THE CRADLE | b | Worship resources and readings for Advent, Christmas and Epiphany from the Iona Community Wild Goose Worship Group. |
| CLOWN OF GOD, THE | vid | Giovanni, a legendary juggler, had once brought smiles and joy to all. Now, old and penniless, he returns to his birthplace seeking refuge in the church on Christmas Eve. Watching the procession of gifts for the Holy Child, he offers the only gift he has |

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| COME THOU LONG-EXPECTED JESUS | b | This volume offers Advent and Christmas meditation based on the seasonal hymns of Charles Wesley. |
| COME TO BETHLEHEM AND SEE | b | A collection of dramas for children. |
| COME TO CHRISTMAS | b | Includes brief set of Advent services for lighting the Advent candles/popular but hard to find songs. Learn about the Season of Advent, Advent Wreaths, Hanging of the Greens, Chrismon Trees, The Jesse Tree, Origin of popular traditions. |
| CONVERGE BIBLE STUDIES: THREE GIFTS, ONE CHRIST | b | Using passages from Matthew/Hebrews, Dawson explores 3 of Christ's roles- Jesus comes as the high priest who sacrifices himself for us, the prophet who calls us into the Kingdom/shows a better way to live, and the Messiah who triumphs over evil/sets us free |
| CONVERGE BIBLE STUDIES: WHO YOU ARE IN CHRIST | b | Using passages from Paul's New Testament letters, this study explores our identity in Christ, how our self-perception affects who we become, what we accomplish when we choose to live according to God's way of justice, mercy, love. |
| CRADLE AND THE STAR, THE | b | Four-week study appropriate for both group and individual use. |
| CREATIVE IDEAS FOR ADVENT: VOL 1 | b | A wealth of suggestions for special programs, plays, worship ideas, divided into three sections-All Church Activities, Children's Activities, and Youth Activities. |
| CREATIVE IDEAS FOR ADVENT: VOL 2 | b | Resource containing worship ideas, activity projects, intergenerational events, and skits for this special season of the year. |
| CREATIVE IDEAS FOR ADVENT: VOL 3 | b | A wealth of suggestions for special programs, plays, worship ideas, divided into four sections-All Church Section, Children's Section, Family Section and Youth Section. |
| CREATIVE IDEAS FOR ADVENT: VOL 4 | b | A wealth of suggestions for special programs, plays, worship ideas, divided into four sections-All Church Section, Children's Section, Family Section and Youth Section. |
| CREATIVE IDEAS FOR EPIPHANY | b | Included in this volume are three sections: Worship, Activities, and Programs, all offered to manifest the light of Christ. |
| DANCING CHRISTMAS CAROLS | b | This book offers new ideas for movement and gesture with Christmas carols. There are both simple and elaborate choreographies for use in worship, classroom, community gatherings, family fun, or children's parties. There are three pageant designs. |
| DECEMBERED GRIEF, A: LIVING WITH LOSS WHILE OTHERS ARE CELEBRATING | b | Grief is especially intense during the holidays, grievers face a season of darkness/loss. Smith guides the reader beyond that darkness with illustrations and insights that emphasize God's ability to transform the holiday into a time of grace and healing. |
| DECORATING THE CHRISTMAS TREE | b | An exciting Educational Global Resource Book for the Holidays featuring crafts from many continents, illustrated instructions, full-sized patterns, cultural information. Suitable for ages 5-105. |
| DESTINATION CHRISTMAS!: ADVENT PROGRAMS & PRACTICES FOR YOUTH | b | Help youth find true meaning in the Christmas season through exciting programs/meaningful practices. Includes reproducible weekly newsletter/devotional/Bible study materials/journaing exercises. |
| DIFFERENT KIND OF CHRISTMAS, A | DVD | Casts a vision of living/giving like Jesus, beginning with the Christmas season/continuing through the year. 5 week study helps participants see the traps/discontentment of consumerism and the call of God to live generously to fulfill God's world mission. |
| DIFFERENT KIND OF CHRISTMAS, A: CHILDREN'S LEADER'S GUIDE | b | Contains session ideas for younger/older children, including reproducible handouts. Children will travel with Mary and Joseph to Bethlehem, consider the first Christmas and what it meant, ask the question What does Jesus want for his birthday. |
| DIFFERENT KIND OF CHRISTMAS, A: DEVOTIONS FOR THE SEASON | b | This book of devotional readings will draw you and your family into closer fellowship with God, as you journey through this Christmas season and learn to live generously all year. 30 short readings with Scripture, prayer, stories. |
| DIFFERENT KIND OF CHRISTMAS, A: YOUTH STUDY EDITION | b | 5 week study for youth contains thought provoking stories, chances to read/reflect and challenging activities that will help your group go deeper, share conversation, and listen for God. Based on Mikd Slaughter's book Christmas is Not Your Birthday. |
| DISCOVERY CHANNEL'S: JESUS, THE COMPLETE STORY: THE EARLY YEARS | vid | Through re-enactments set in Israel/Palestine and computer generated backgrounds, you'll relive the main events of Jesus' life and his death. Explore fables that surround the birth of Jesus to re-enactment of His baptism. |

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| DOG IN THE MANGER AND OTHE CHRISTMAS STORIES, A | b | These stories celebrate the miracles of everyday life. Strangers can become angels-foes can become good Samaritans-neighborhoods can become communities of faith. |
| DRAMA OF CHRISTMAS, THE | b | The drama of Christmas letting Christ into the lives and thoughts of the major participants in the first Christmas. Morton Kelsey weaves an imaginative tapestry of the many stories of the first Christmas. |
| EFIRD BIBLE STUDY SERIES, THE: THE BIRTH NARRATIVES | DVD | Eight session bible study on DVD, Dr. James "Mickey" Efirm provides comparative info on all 4 Gospels, teaches specifically the background, circumstances and environment of Jesus' birth as told by Luke and Matthew. |
| EMBODIED LIGHT: ADVENT RELFECTIONS ON THE INCARNATION | b | Reflections for Advent reveal how to follow this fully human, fully divine Jesus with body, mind, spirit. Tidwell introduces specific spiritual practices to engage our bodies in prayer, gesturing, conversing, walking, singing. |
| ESSENTIAL ADVENT | b | This volume offers interesting, easy-to-prepare activities and worship resources that honor your church's rituals and traditions, and introduces you to other observances from around the world. Full of meaningful activities designed to engage all ages. |
| EVERLASTING LIGHT: A RESOURCE FOR ADVENT WORSHIP | b | Worship resources based on the 3 years of lectionary readings for Advent, including Sunday after Christmas. Services feature: Litanies of light; Meditations; Candlelighting services; Unison, Offering, & Communion prayers; Children's sermon starters; Benedic |
| EVERY VALLEY: ADVENT WITH THE SCRIPTURES OF HANDEL'S MESSIAH | b | Forty essays explore the theological, historical, and pastoral implications of the Scriptures that make up Handel's "Messiah". |
| EXPECTING THE UNEXPECTED | b | Vivid day-by-day biblical images/reflections on Jesus' life and message. Small group discussion themes and prayers. Featured weekly hymn by Charles Wesley, whose lyrics ("Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" and others) witness to a faith of gusto/courage. |
| FACES AT THE MANGER | b | A collection of poems, stories, and prayers. In this Christmas classic Shepherd describes the thoughts, feelings, questions, and dreams of those who gathered around that manger of long ago. |
| FAITH QUESTIONS: SIMPLE SUNDAYS: WHAT IS ADVENT? | curr | Expands on Faith Questions Coffeehouse version. 4-5 sessions each, based on questions young people ask, straight forward lesson plans, little prep. Perfect for any gathering of youth. Download, \$10.00. |
| FAITHFUL: CHRISTMAS THROUGH THE EYES OF JOSEPH | DVD | Examine Christmas through the eyes of Joseph and learn to accept/glorify God's will even when our situation makes it difficult to do so. Sessions: 1. Carpenter Names Joseph 2. Whose Child is This? 3. Raising a Child Not Your Own 4. Journey to Bethlehem 5. Bonus |
| FAMILY PREPARES FOR THE MESSIAH, THE | b | Ideas for families to prepare for Advent together. Decorations, worship, weekly and daily activities and prayers. |
| FASTLANE BIBLE STUDIES: CELEBRATING ADVENT | curr | From Fast Lane Bible Studies, five session Advent study, 1. Get Ready! 2. Good News For Sharing 3. From "The Pits" To Praise 4. Star Light, Star Bright 5. Celebrate! |
| FEASTING ON THE WORD ADVENT COMPANION | b | Pastor's companion for Advent offering resources for sermon prep, ready-to-use liturgies. Complete order of service from a Gospel/Old Testament text for each of the 4 Sundays in Advent, Christmas Eve/Day. Hymn suggestions, midweek service, children's sermon. |
| FEASTING ON THE WORD: PREACHING THE RCL: YEAR A, VOL. 1 | b | Volume 9 of 12: Advent-Transfiguration: series will cover all Sundays in the 3 year lectionary cycle, movable occasions: Christmas Day, Epiphany, Holy Week, and All Saint's Day. Each lectionary text 4 brief essays, theological, pastoral, exegetical, homiletical. |
| FEASTING ON THE WORD: PREACHING THE RCL: YEAR B, VOL. 1 | b | Volume 1 of 12: Advent-Transfiguration: series will cover all Sundays in the 3 year lectionary cycle, movable occasions: Christmas Day, Epiphany, Holy Week, and All Saint's Day. Each lectionary text 4 brief essays, theological, pastoral, exegetical, homiletical. |
| FEASTING ON THE WORD1: PREACHING THE RCL: YEAR C, VOL. 1 | b | Volume 5 of 12: Advent-Transfiguration: series will cover all Sundays in the 3 year lectionary cycle, movable occasions: Christmas Day, Epiphany, Holy Week, and All Saint's Day. Each lectionary text 4 brief essays, theological, pastoral, exegetical, homiletical. |
| FESTIVALS OF CHRISTMAS, THE | b | A Congregational Life/Intergenerational Kit for four activities celebrating the Christmas season, The Festival of Advent, Nativity, New Year, and Epiphany. |

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| FINDING BETHLEHEM IN THE MIDST OF BEDLAM | b | This adult study is about how Christ breaks into our confusion and brings Christmas, how Bethlehem always happens in the midst of bedlam. Five sessions includes reflection questions,prayer,focus for the week,six daily Bible readings/devotions. |
| FINDING BETHLEHEM IN THE MIDST OF BEDLAM | DVD | All church 5 session study about how Christ breaks into our confusion and brings Christmas, how Bethlehem always happens in the midst of bedlam. Includes Participant's book, Leader guide, Youth study book and Children's leader guide. |
| FINDING BETHLEHEM IN THE MIDST OF BEDLAM: STUDY FOR CHILDREN | b | This study contains 5 sessions that delve into the Luke account of Jesus' birth through an ADVENTure to find Bethlehem. Guide is simple to use/includes reproducible activities for each session. |
| FINDING BETHLEHEM IN THE MIDST OF BEDLAM: STUDY FOR YOUTH | b | Contains 5 sessions to help teens experience the hope of Christ amid the commotion,confusion,challenges of their day-to-day lives. Includes reading for reflection,age appropriate teaching/learning activites to fit different group needs, leader helps. |
| FINDING NOEL | b | Inspiring story of the power of love and the wonder of Christmas. Finding Noel is about how people come into our lives for a reason. It is a love story about Macy and Mark, two young people from different worlds. |
| FIRST CHRISTMAS AND OTHER STORIES (CLAY CLASSICS), THE | DVD | Clay Animation telling of the traditional story of the Nativity by Christopher Plummer, 22 min. The Chimes a Charles Dickens tale; narrated by Derek Jacobi,23 min. A Christmas Gift; version of the Peter, Paul & Mary ballad "Christmas Dinner" 9 min. |
| FIRST CHRISTMAS, THE | b | Explores what the Gospels really teach about Jesus's Birth. Borg and Crossan, leading scholars of the historical Jesus, explore the nativity in much the way they tackled the crucifixion/resurrection in their previous book "The Last Week". |
| FIRST CHRISTMAS, THE | b | The story of the birth of Jesus in Englis and Spanish. |
| FIRST NIGHT OF CHRISTMAS | b | To the musical meter of 'Twas the Night before Christmas, Samuel Beardsley has told the story of the birth of Jesus. |
| FIRST SEASON, THE | b | An introduction beautiful with imagery precedes a collection of poems that herald Advent, announce Christmas, and conclude the first season of the church with the celebration of Epiphany. |
| FIVE QUESTIONS OF CHRISTMAS | b | 5 questions spiral throughout the stories surrounding Christ's birth. How can we find truth/meaning?Why people have to suffer?Why is the world so unfair sometimes?How can we trust the unseen?How can we design the future we desire?Discover God's promises. |
| FOLLOWING JESUS THROUGH THE CHURCH YEAR | vid | Krispin, our cartoon character and special agent detective, travels through the four weeks of advent and is guided by signs along the road, lit by the Advent wreath, and by the people and events he encounters. |
| FOLLOWING JESUS THROUGH THE CHURCH YEAR: | vid | Krispin is lost in Bethlehem and Aaron , a shepherd, brings Krispin to the stable where he says Jesus was born. Aaron tells him about the birth, the bright light, the angel's message, the visit by three kings. |
| FOUR SUNDAYS IN ADVENT: SUGGESTIONS FOR FAMILY CELEBRATIONS | b | Ideas for celebrating Advent and family celebration or services. |
| FROM ADVENT'S ALLELUIA TO EASTER'S MORNING LIGHT | b | In her first collection of poems in ten years,Weems's lyrical poetry is a reminder to us all of the importance of true discipleship. For use in worship,personal devotions,discussions.Organized to follow the liturgical year from Advent through Easter. |
| GETTING READY FOR CHRISTMAS | b | A reading, a suggestion, for a psalmm and hymn. a prayer thought, and a question to think about for each of the twenty-two days during the Christmas season. |
| GIFT, THE | b | For Nathan Hurst,Christmas was simply a reminder of the event that destroyed his childhood until a snowstorm,cancelled flight,unexpected meeting w/ a young mother/very special son would show that Christmas is indeed the season of miracles. |
| GOD IS IN THE MANGER: REFLECTIONS ON ADVENT/CHRISTMAS | b | From Dietrich Bonhoeffer, devotions that guide/inspire readers as they move thematically through the weeks of Advent/Christmas: Waiting, Mystery, Redemption, Incarnation, The 12 Days of Christmas/Epiphany. |
| GOD WITH US | b | An Advent study of the Gospel Birth narratives. |
| GOOD AND PERFECT GIFT,A | vid | Manuelita has been praying for a special gift this Christmas, that a father will spend Christmas day with her family. A touching drama on the power of prayer and belief in the goodness of others. |

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| GOOD TIDINGS OF GREAT JOY | b | Designed for daily devotions, study groups, or general reading, this volume helps bring good tidings of the Savior to a new generation |
| GOODNESS AND LIGHT: READINGS FOR ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS | b | Selections by 48 beloved writers will enrich you every day of the season from Advent to Christmas to Epiphany and beyond. Contributors include Pope Francis, Maya Angelou, Kathleen Norris, James Martin, Mary Oliver, Richard Rohr, Phyllis Tickle, and more. |
| GREATEST GIFT, THE: UNWRAPPING THE FULL LOVE STORY OF CHRISTMAS | b | Beginning with Jesse, the father of David, this book retraces the epic pageantry of humankind from Adam to the Messiah, with each devotional reading, prayer, and reflection leading you one glorious day at a time toward the magnificent promise of Christ. |
| HAVE YOURSELF A MERRY LITTLE CHRISTMAS | vid | Uses live interviews, music and photography to explore the impact of commercialization on our Christmas celebrations. Presents alternatives to families and church groups, ways to make Christmas better reflect the spirit of Christ. |
| HERE WE COME A-CAROLING | b | 28 favorite carols and hymns for Christmas and the Christmas Story from Luke's Gospel. |
| HOLY MOLY: FOUR STORIES FOR ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS | DVD | Year 1/2, Unit 2, Four Stories for Advent and Christmas on DVD. 1. The Annunciation 2. Mary and Elizabeth 3. Jesus is Born 4. The Magi. Support Resources for Pre-Reader and Reader. |
| HURRY LESS, WORRY LESS AT CHRISTMASTIME | b | Learn to celebrate more joyfully, peacefully, deeply during the holiday season. For small-group study, Sunday school classes, or personal reading. |
| I WAS THERE | b | Dramatic monologues for Christmas transformation: Joseph: The Impossible Dream; Mary: Let it Be; Soldier: Quest for Power; Innkeeper: No room; Shepherd: To Us; Wise Man: Follow that Star; Herod: Two Paths to Peace. |
| IDEALS - CHRISTMAS ISSUE | b | Poems, prayers and pictures about the Christmas season. |
| IDEAS: A-Z CHRISTMAS | b | The format is user friendly and open-ended, providing essential information, yet fostering creative applications. |
| IF CHRIST CAME DOWN | b | This play poses the problem: if Christ came down and walked all around our town, what would he see his people about? |
| IN DAYS TO COME: FROM ADVENT TO EPIPHANY | b | The 6 chapters contain a thematic introduction, 4 meditations, prayers, reflection questions. Moves from the hope/promise of Advent to the fulfillment/mission of Epiphany. Contains guidance for individuals/small groups looking for colorful, flexible. |
| INFUSE: CHRISTMAS LIGHT SPLITS THE NIGHT | b | A study designed for 4-5 sessions to be used during Advent (Optional Advent activities are included). If your group doesn't have time for all 5 sessions, you can omit 5 or do it after Christmas. Either way be sure to include a celebration! |
| ISN'T THIS WHAT CHRISTMAS IS ALL ABOUT | b | A Christmas Play |
| JACOB'S GIFT | DVD | From the book by Max Lucado, Jacob sacrifices winning a contest to do a kindness for a family with a newborn baby, learns an important lesson about giving. |
| JESUS IS BORN | b | Children's book of Jesus birth. By LeeDell Stickler. |
| JESUS, GOD'S GIFT OF LOVE | b | Especially for young children, the story of Jesus' birth is retold through a rich variety of poems and lively illustrations. |
| JOURNEY TO BETHLEHEM | b | An Advent/Christmas play for two or more people. |
| JOURNEY, THE: WALKING THE ROAD TO BETHLEHEM | DVD | Journey with Adam Hamilton as he travels from Nazareth to Bethlehem in this unique new look at the birth of Jesus Christ. Includes DVD, leader's guide, book, children's/youth edition. |
| JOURNEYING TO BETHLEHEM | b | Suitable for children 2-6 years old. Retelling of the Christmas story. I'm God's Child book/CD is companion resource to this book. |
| JOY TO THE WORLD | b | The stories behind your favorite Christmas carols, including devotions, Scripture verses and the complete musical score. |
| JOY TO THE WORLD | b | Christmas celebrations, customs and crafts from many lands for use in church, school and home. |
| JOYFUL: YEARS A, B, & C | b | Lectionary based volume of reflections, prayers, questions to ponder plus ways to put each daily Scripture reading into practice. From the 1st Sunday of Advent through Christmas, Epiphany for each liturgical year A, B, C, this book will help you prepare. |

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| KERYGMA: LIGHT WILL SHINE, THE | curr | A five part study for Advent. |
| KING IS BORN, THE | DVD | Animated stories from the New Testament. The King is Born is a video classic about the birth of Jesus based on the Bible. |
| KNEELING IN BETHLEHEM | b | Ann Weems. 1.Christmas -Poetry. 2.Jesus Christ -Poetry. |
| LET EVERY HEART PREPARE | b | Collection of reflections on Advent and Christmas hymns offers a real sense of hope and inspiration. Serious but not solemn meditations on hymn fragments, invite us into a new encounter with the great mystery of God become flesh in Jesus Christ. |
| LET LIGHT SHINE OUT OF DARKNESS | b | A Christmas resource book for church schools for all grade levels including preschool. |
| LET US GO OVER TO BETHLEHEM | b | An advent study for adults that provides one lesson for each week of Advent that includes a reference to a key passage of Scripture,a brief reflection, study/discussion questions, a brief prayer, and a focus for the coming week. |
| LET'S GET READY FOR CHRISTMAS | b | Advent activities for preschool children. Use at home, church school to explore the meaning of Advent. |
| LET'S MAKE A JESSE TREE! | b | Offers step-by-step instructions for making a Jesse Tree Advent calendar. Also offers 25 accompanying Bible readings, to help children learn the Christmas story.Includes 26 full size patterns. |
| LIGHT OF ADVENT, THE | b | Candle-lighting sketches and music for children, observing the tradition of lighting the candles on the Advent wreath. |
| LIGHTING THE WAY | vid | Through the eyes of four young people, share in the celebration of each of their holidays---Kwanzaa, La Posada, Hanukkah, Christmas. |
| LIGHTING THE WAY TO CHRISTMAS | b | Offers congregations a thematic approach for communicating the stories of Advent and Christmas. |
| LILY THE LOST AND FOUND LAMB | b | Told in both Spanish and English , this book will help convey to young children the awe and mystery of the first Christmas. |
| LITTLE BROWN BURRO, THE | vid | This video tells the adventure of an unhappy, rejected burro. His friend Omar, a desert rat, helps him on the journey to self-confidence. A series of humorous and sometimes poignant incidents propel the burro into a role in the story of Jesus' birth. |
| LIVING WITH HOPE | b | Thought provoking book that illuminates biblical thinking with new insights from the author's disciplines of theology and science at the cutting edge of physics. |
| MANGER AND MYSTERY | b | Using the reflection questions in personal study or using the included study guide with a small group, Manger and Mystery invites you to recover the simplicity of the stable and rekindle the sacredness of the Advent season. |
| MANGER MOUSE & OTHER CHRISTMAS POEMS | b | 15 Christmas poems for all ages. |
| MARKETPLACE, AN ADVENT PROGRAM | curr | Advent Bibletimes experience. A complete curriculum for planning a unique learning experience for children thru adults. Use for Vacation Church School, midweek, 3-5 day special program. Offers plan for Bibletime families, shops, school, marketers, etc. |
| MARTIN THE COBBLER | DVD | A new version of Tolstoy's "Where Love is, God Is". Delightfully created in clay. Martin, a hard-working cobbler, dreams that the Lord will visit him the next day. He finally reads and understands Matthew 25. |
| MARY HAD A BABY | b | An Advent study based on four African American Spirituals, Mary Had a Baby; Rise Up Shepherd and Follow; Children, Go Where I Send You; Go,Tell It on the Mountain. |
| MARY HAD A BABY, AMEN! | vid | Story of the birth of Christ told by Simon, the rhyming mouse. For preschoolers to third graders. Based on the book by Mary Murphy. Delightful telling of the Christmas story. |
| MARY'S MEMORIES | b | This resource focuses on people who were involved in significant ways in the events surrounding the birth of Jesus. Ten learning areas called Centers, are organized around a series of cartrons and their contents. |
| MEANING OF CHRISTMAS, THE | b | A new experience in Christmas story telling, combining an audio-cassette with a beautifully illustrated text. Presents 4 delightful fully dramatized stories. Three in city of Bethlehem about time of Jesus birth, fourth provides a contemporary setting. |
| MEDITATIONS FOR ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS | b | For each day, from the beginning of Advent until Epiphany, the author briefly explains an appropriate biblical passage, follows with reflections on the scripture and a prayer. by James G. Kirk |

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| MEETING THE MESSIAH: SCRIPTURES FOR THE ADVENT SEASON | b | Journey through 4 weeks of Advent with purpose, whether by yourself or with a small group. Includes bonus readings for the 2 weeks following Christmas, leading to Epiphany: The Holy Spirit, John the Baptist, Mary, The Shepherds, Jesus, The Magi. Includes Idrs gd |
| MERRY CHRISTMAS, STREGA NONA | vid | Based on book by Tomie de Pacla. Strega Nona, the beloved Grandma Witch, is busily at work for her annual Christmastime feast for the whole town. |
| MICHAEL THE VISITOR | DVD | Based on the story by Leo Tolstoy, a clamation animation film. |
| MIRACLE OF CHRISTMAS, THE | b | Author James W. Moore explores the true miracle of Christmas, God's seeking, saving love for each one of us. 4 chapters The Miracle of Good News, Hospitality, Giving, and Christmas. Appropriate for group/individual study. |
| MISSION: CHRISTMAS: YOUTH PROGRAMS & IDEAS FOR ADVENT | b | This book includes 5 Sunday programs, 5 Advent/Christmas Bible studies, a Christmas play, worship and service-project ideas, and a 5 page Bible dictionary. |
| MOUSE TALES THINGS HOPED FOR ADVENT, CHRISTMAS, EPIPHANY | b | Endearing stories about mice in the fictional town of Hillsborough and its church, the Church of the Least of These. 6 children(mice)in one Sunday School class learn how to care for one another, welcome outsiders, disagree in love, forgive their friends. |
| MR. KRUGER'S CHRISTMAS | DVD | Jimmy Stewart portrays a lonely man whose Christmas fantasies finally come true. Mr. Kruger lives in a basement apartment with his cat, George. On Christmas Eve he daydreams about a happier life. His holiday is saved by carolers. |
| NAMES FOR THE MESSIAH: AN ADVENT STUDY | b | Christians claimed from the beginning that Jesus was the Messiah foretold in the Old Testament. In this study, Brueggemann tackles the questions: What were these expectations? And Did Jesus fulfill them? For individual/group study, includes prayers, etc. |
| NATIVITY STORY, THE | DVD | A beautiful telling of one of the world's most familiar stories. Powerful, timeless and visually magnificent. |
| NATIVITY, THE-HANNA BARBERA | vid | Hanna Barbera cartoon version of the Christmas story. Three modern kids fall back in time to be part of the Nativity scene. |
| NATIVITY: THE ART AND SPIRIT OF THE CRECHE | DVD | 30 minute Christmas special looks at the history, art and spirituality of the creche, as well as, a beautiful array of nativity scenes collected from different cultures across the globe. |
| NATIVITY-UMCOM | vid | Advent/Christmas. Christmas story is told while viewer sees creches from around the world. |
| NIGHT IN BETHLEHEM, A | kit | Step-by-Step instructions help you create a you-are-there Bible adventure for all ages. Use over a day, weekend, Christmas Eve, anytime during the Christmas season. |
| NIGHT THE ANGELS SANG, THE | b | 4 dramas, 20-30 minutes: The Night the Angels Sang, The Christmas Card, Get Back in Your Box, The Jazzy, Snazzy Shepherd Boy. |
| NO STRINGS ATTACHED | b | "No Strings Attached!" is a Christmas service in which the major message is presented in five scenes by the congregation's teen-agers. |
| NOT A SILENT NIGHT: MARY LOOKS BACK TO BETHLEHEM | DVD | DVD presents 5/10 minute segments with leader guide, one for each chapter in Adam Hamilton's book "Not a Silent Night". 1. Beginning with the End 2. Piercing of Mary's Soul 3. Amazed, Astounded, Astonished 4. Mary, Full of Grace 5. It Was Not a Silent Night. |
| NOT A SILENT NIGHT: MARY LOOKS BACK TO BETHLEHEM | b | In this book, Adam Hamilton begins at the end, with Mary at the Crucifixion and Resurrection: travels back in time as she witnesses Jesus' life and ministry; and ends at the beginning with the Christ Child born in a stable. |
| O COME, O COME, EMMANUEL: REFLECTIONS FOR 4 SEASONAL HYMNS FOR ADULTS | b | Reflections on four seasonal hymns for adults: Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus, Let All Mortal flesh Keep Silent, O Come, O Come, Emmanuel and In the Bleak Midwinter. Includes Leader's Guide and Participant Handout. |
| ONCE UPON AN ADVENT | b | Collection of adult meditations unfolds the sacred story of the birth of Jesus, providing devotional reflections in poetry, parable, prose and prayers. Based on birth story in Luke. |
| ONE BORN AMONG US | b | Chancel drama designed for worship service. Two readers set scene, Bethlehem Inn. Landlady, her helper & 2 shepherds become aware of miracle that is occurring there. Each finds in event affirmation of life of the spirit. Congregation is included in song |
| OPEN HEARTS IN BETHLEHEM | b | This fresh Christmas drama from world-renowned Middle Eastern and biblical expert Kenneth Bailey is full of wonder and hope. Music CD and 12 copies of the play. |

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| OPEN OUR EYES | b | Childrens liturgy for Christmas. Written for easy adaptation to any church or church school situation. It can be presented with or without scenery. Minimum rehearsal required. Use as a chancel drama or as a "Reader's Theatre" |
| PAUSES FOR ADVENT | b | Words of wonder encourage us with daily readings that lead us to reflect on a biblical word/scripture passage. Each meditation includes a simple doable practice that helps us apply the day's word to our lives. |
| PRAYERS FOR ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS: JUST IN TIME | b | This collection includes: Invocations, Opening prayers, Prayers of confession, pastoral prayers. Drawn from a variety of traditions, the prayers in this collection will aid any congregation as it worships through this season of the Christian year. |
| PREPARE THE WAY | b | Pamela Hawkins invites you to make room in your heart for the coming of Christ. Skillfully she guides you through 4 weeks of prayer, reflection, and action centered on these themes: peace, justice, fearlessness, and faithfulness. |
| PREPARE YE | b | A group process, Advent study. A leaders's guide and participant's notebook designed to help us examine and evaluate the way we prepare for, experience, and celebrate the miracle of Advent. Designed for small group study, 5 sessions. |
| PREPARING FOR CHRISTMAS: DAILY MEDITATIONS FOR ADVENT | b | Advent is a time to focus our expectation/anticipation on the "adult Christ, the Cosmic Christ," who challenges us to empty ourselves, to lose ourselves to surrender. Offers daily meditations, prayers, Scripture readings/questions for reflection. |
| PREPARING FOR JESUS | b | Advent and Christmas day by day devotional. |
| PREPARING FOR THE MESSIAH | b | Ideas for teacher, children, youth and the congregations as we prepare for advent and Christmas. Comments about our Church and the importance of traditions. |
| PRESBYOUTH: NATIVITY, BAPTISM AND WILDERNESS: YOUNGER YOUTH | curr | Online resource offers download quarterly curriculum for tweens, younger/older youth. Categorized by age, liturgical season, and Bible order, lessons are easy to use, age appropriate, scripturally based, rooted in reformed tradition. |
| PRESBYOUTH: NATIVITY, WATER AND WILDERNESS: OLDER YOUTH | curr | Online resource offers download quarterly curriculum for tweens, younger/older youth. Categorized by age, liturgical season, and Bible order, lessons are easy to use, age appropriate, scripturally based, rooted in reformed tradition. |
| PRESBYOUTH: WE WORSHIP JESUS CHRIST: TWEENS | curr | Online resource offers download quarterly curriculum for tweens, younger/older youth. Categorized by age, liturgical season, and Bible order, lessons are easy to use, age appropriate, scripturally based, rooted in reformed tradition. |
| PROCLAIMING THE GOOD NEWS OF GOD'S PEACE: ADVENT DEVOTIONS 2010 | b | Booklet contains daily devotions that focus on Peacemaking for each day of the Advent Season. |
| PROMISE, THE: CHRISTMAS SERVICE FOR CHURCH SCHOOLS | b | A Christmas service for church schools with congregational participation. Program is flexible. |
| PURPOSE OF CHRISTMAS, THE | b | Regardless of your religious background, you need to know how the three purposes of Christmas solve your three greatest needs for celebration, salvation, reconciliation. |
| PURPOSE OF CHRISTMAS, THE: VIDEO-BASED STUDY | DVD | 85 min.DVD w/study guide. Rick Warren leads you through a video-based study on the true purpose of Christmas.Teaching from the Gospel of Luke in 3 sessions1.Christmas Is a Time for Celebration 2.Is a Time for Salvation 3.Is a Time for Reconciliation. |
| RAT-A-TAT, BANG! IT'S CHRISTMAS | b | Kit includes four participation stories for children. Each child plays a rhythm instrument or chants as the narrator tells the story. 1. Going to Bethlehem 2. In Bethlehem 3. The Child is Born 4. The Events of Christmas Eve |
| RED BOOTS FOR CHRISTMAS | DVD | Animated story. Hans, a shoemaker, learns the joys of sharing and fellowship, and finally embraces the spirit of Christmas as he does indeed receive the ultimate gift--a gift from God.Activity book download |
| REJOICING IN HOPE: AN ADVENT STUDY FOR ADULTS (New 2007) | b | Advent study for adults,group/individual use.Experiences of characters from Luke,each finds joy in hope.Elizabeth/Zechariah: Couple Expected the Unexpected;Mary: Girl Obeyed the Unseen;Joseph: Husband Kept the Faith;Simeon/Anna;Witnesses Confirmed the Hope. |
| REKINDLING THE HOPE OF THE MANGER | b | Designed for both adult group study and personal spiritual growth, this book is also a rich source of fresh sermon ideas for pastors. Included are classic lectionary texts for seven Sundays from Advent to Epiphany with inspiring prayers for each theme. |
| RISE UP SHEPHERD! ADVENT REFLECTIONS ON THE SPIRITUALS | b | African American spirituals give us profound insights into the human condition and the Christian life. Powery leads the reader through the spirituals as they confront the mystery of incarnation/redemption throughout the season of Advent. |

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| ROADS FROM BETHLEHEM, THE | b | Christmas literature from writers ancient and modern. This collection of literature contains selections from many times and places, and many different authors. Use for worship, devotions, family reading. |
| ROUGH EDGES | vid | A heartwarming Christmas story of hope. In this upbeat Christmas story about the unexpected encounter between two women from "different sides of the track," it is the one without that gives to the other. |
| ROYAL CROWN: THE KING BORN IN BETHLEHEM | vid | This video tape is a simple retelling of the Christmas story, suitable for children from pre-school thru primary grades and their parents. Still art, overhear Mary and Joseph discuss parenting. |
| SCRIPTURE SCENES FOR ADVENT | b | Five skits from Advent thru Epiphany that only take 5-7 minutes to present. Requires one or more narrators with several actors portraying the action. |
| SCRIPTURES SING OF CHRISTMAS, THE | b | An Advent study that examines the songs of praise found in the Scriptures at the beginning of the Gospel of John. 4 lessons appropriate for groups or individuals. |
| SEASON OF NATIVITY, THE | b | Confessions and practices of an Advent, Christmas & Epiphany extremist, Sybil MacBeth provides inspiration, simple tools, and exercises for weary, distracted, busy people, inviting you to experience a seriously playful Nativity Season. |
| SECRET OF THE SECOND BASEMENT | vid | Advent, charity, love, thankfulness for blessings, Delightful puppets share a story of "street people" and the Christmas story. |
| SENSE THE SEASON | b | May be used as worship theme for Advent, Christmas, Epiphany or for coordinating congregational life during these seasons. Different animal as symbol associated with the Advent candle. Use senses to appreciate the true gifts: faith, hope, light, love, joy, peace. |
| SETTING THE CHRISTMAS STAGE | b | Portrays original Nativity as stage production. Wk 1-Erect backdrops, examine background of Isaiah, Jeremiah, Micah, Malachi. Wk 2-Construct Scenery, crowded inn, stable, palace throne room. Wk 3-Gathering Choruses: angels, shepherds, magi. Wk 4-Central characters. |
| SHEPHERDS ABIDING | b | The eighth novel in the Mitford Years series is a meditation on the best of all presents, the gift of one's heart. It seeks to restore the true Christmas spirit and give everyone a seat at Mitford's holiday table. |
| SILENCE AND OTHER SUPRISING INVITATIONS OF ADVENT | b | Takes a different approach and invites us to look at the story of Zechariah and Elizabeth, a story filled with deep sorrow, heartfelt longing, acknowledging both the wounds we endure and the blessings we receive, the grief we bear and joys we are given. |
| SILENT MOUSE | vid | A video narrated by Lynn Redgrave is for children, youth and adults. This tale is a story of the famous carol, Silent Night. The story is about the part a mouse played in bringing us this carol. Live-action photography. |
| SIMPLIFY & CELEBRATE | b | Resource by Alternatives filled with useful ideas you can use to reclaim the joy and peace of the Christmas season. |
| SIMPLY WAIT: CULTIVATING STILLNESS IN THE SEASON OF ADVENT (New 2007) | b | An invitation to be still and offers four words for reflection: Anticipation, Hope, Patience, Obedience. Daily meditation on scripture, prayer, space for journaling. Can be used individually or a guide is included for groups. |
| SINGING MARY'S SONG | b | Gain a deeper understanding of the Advent journey through the eyes/experience of Mary, the mother of Jesus. This individual/small-group study includes daily meditations for 4 weeks, suggested scripture readings, daily reflection questions, leader's guide. |
| SIX ADVENT PLAYS FOR CHILDREN | b | Six Advent Plays For Children has all the help you need in one convenient volume, Copyright privileges are included. 1. Angels We Have Heard 2. Even the Least Among You 3. The Christmas Hedgehog 4. The Magi 5. Who Is Your King? 6. Where is Your Lamb? |
| SKIPPING CHRISTMAS | b | Offers a hilarious look at the chaos and frenzy that have become part of our holiday tradition. |
| SONGS FOR THE WAITING | b | Devotions inspired by the hymns of Advent. Through the lyrics of moving Advent Hymns and the powerful words of Scripture, this book will help readers reclaim a sense of the beautiful anticipation and preparation that is central to Advent. |
| SOUL OF CHRISTMAS, THE | b | Thomas Moore turns his poetic attention to the most enduring story of them all: The infant in the manger symbolizes new life, the potential all human beings have to be a new kind of being dedicated to agape, a love of the other whoever that other may be. |
| SPIRIT OF THE SEASON, THE | vid | Ernest Borgnine stars as a grandfather trying to make the Christmas season more meaningful for those around him. Story "A Thieves Christmas" and "The Gift". |

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| STAR OF BETHLEHEM/WHEN THE LITTLEST CAMEL KNELT | vid | Christmas story for Children, features animated silhouettes re-enacting the nativity. Animated story about a little camel that accompanied Maji visiting the baby Jesus. |
| STORIES OF JESUS, THE: THE BIRTH OF JESUS | DVD | From NestFamily a digital story book and sing-along activity about the real story of Christmas in both English and Spanish. |
| STORIES, POEMS & SONGS FOR THE FESTIVALS OF CHRISTMAS | b | Part of the congregational life/intergenerational experience for the Christmas Season, "The Festivals of Christmas". |
| STORY OF SILENT NIGHT, THE | DVD | The drama of how one of the most memorable Christmas carols came to be written. |
| STUBBORN SWEETNESS, A: AND OTHER STORIES FOR THE CHRISTMAS SEASON | b | Fifteen short stories for the Christmas season from the award winning author of Bridge to Terabithia. These stories celebrate the human spirit, discovering the true meaning of Christmas in the most unlikely places. |
| TASTE AND SEE: EXPERIENCE THE STORIES OF ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS | b | Invites you to become part of the events surrounding the birth of the Christ child.Features 5 sessions: Scripture readings, cultural/historical details make the Bible stories come alive, guidance for using imagination, leader's guide/guide for families. |
| TEACHING AND CELEBRATING ADVENT | b | Everything in this book has been tried and tested in the classroom and in a family setting in hopes that it will serve to stimulate your thinking and planning, and that it will find practical use. |
| TELL IT AGAIN | b | Creative drama designed to bring the whole church family together. |
| THAT CHRISTMAS FEELING | b | Two romantic holiday novellas in one book. "Christmas in My Heart" by Catherine Palmer and "Christmas Moon" by Gail Gaymer Martin. |
| THESE TWELVE DAYS | b | Each chapter features a Scripture passage based on the lectionary readings, information on the tradition of the day, and ways to enter the story with activities that will engage the heart and mind. |
| THINGS TO MAKE AND DO FOR ADVENT & CHRISTMAS | b | Creative activities for children's ministry. |
| THREE CHRISTMAS CLASSICS | DVD | 3 Christmas classics: Christmas Is:animated with Bengi and his dog Waldo.City that Forgot Christmas:animated w/ voices of Sebastian Cabot,Charles Nelson Reilly,Louis Nye.Stableboy's Christmas,award winning drama traveling back in time to Nativity. |
| THREE CHRISTMAS JOURNEYS | b | Picture/storybook telling of the Christmas story. |
| THRILL OF HOPE, A: THE CHRISTMAS STORY IN WORD AND ART | DVD | Designed for use in Sunday School classes or Bible studies. Presents the familiar story of Christmas as told in the Gospels of Luke/Matthew. Each passage of scripture is illustrated by the artwork of John August Swanson. |
| 'TIS THE SEASON: CHURCH CELEBRATIONS FOR ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS | b | 18 Advent and Christmas programs, a diverse selection of worship/learning format including: interactive worship,quiet advent worship,special celebrations,faith/fellowship events,compelling dramas, intergenerational hands-on workshops. |
| TOGETHER FOR A SEASON: ALL-AGE SEASONAL RESOURCES | b | Aimed at those planning/leading worship and those working with children/adults in groups. Offers an array of creative material designed to bring to life the seasonal liturgy of Advent, Christmas, Epiphany. |
| TRAVEL THE HIGHWAYS OF ADVENT: AN ADVENT STUDY FOR ADULTS | b | Invites us on a journey from the here of our everyday lives to the there of Christmas hope and life.5 week study for groups/individuals includes reflection questions,brief prayer,focus for coming week. |
| TWAS THE NIGHT BEFORE | b | A Christmas play/service which can be adapted to any size group and uses the structure of a familiar poem to tell the story of Jesus' birth. |
| UNCLUTTERED HEART, THE | b | Making room for God during Advent and Christmas,offers 4 weeks of guided reflection through Advent- Epiphany. Each day provides a quotation,scripture passage,"word" to carry with you through the day,reflection,prayer.Includes a group study guide. |
| UNDERDOGS AND OUTSIDERS: BIBLE STUDY ON THE UNTOLD STORIES OF ADVENT | b | Matthew names five women in the family tree of Jesus: Tamar, Rahab, Ruth, Uriah, Mary. This Advent study explores the stories of each of these women, showing how they all played a pivotal role in God's purposes. Offers discussion questions, brief prayer. |
| UNPLUG THE CHRISTMAS MACHINE | b | A complete guide to putting love and warmth back into the season. The book offers suggestions from combating commercialism and filling the holidays with simple spiritual celebrations that help families draw closer together. |

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| VEGGIETALES: TOY THAT SAVED CHRISTMAS, THE | vid | Veggie Tale video, filled with humor, catchy songs, teaches children of all ages that "Christmas isn't about getting, it's about giving. And it's especially about a little baby named Jesus, who was the greatest gift of all." |
| VIGIL, THE | b | This small book is an invitation offered to individuals and small groups who might wish to enter more prayerfully into the liturgical seasons of Advent and Christmas. |
| WAITING FOR THE CHRISTMAS GUEST | b | Adapted from "How the Great Guest Came." A poor cobbler and his wife set the table on Christmas Eve for a visit of the Lord Jesus. The cobbler has dreamed He will come. They wait, but their only visitors are a beggar, an old woman, and a child. |
| WALKING BACKWARDS TO CHRISTMAS | b | Advent devotional starts with Jesus' presentation to Anna and Simeon at the Temple and moves backwards through Herod's slaughter of the innocents, wise men's visit, Jesus' birth, Mary's pregnancy, much earlier hopes/dreams of Isaiah/Moses. |
| WATCH FOR THE LIGHT | b | Reading for Advent and Christmas by Aquinas, Bonhoeffer, Dillard, Donne, Eckhart, Eliot, Gardini, Gutierrez, Hopkins, Kierkegaard, L'Engle, Lewis, Luther, Merton, Norris, Nouwen, Romero, Ross-Gotta, Soelle, Underhill, Yancey, and others. |
| WE BELIEVE: ADULT WINTER 2004-05: JESUS' ADVENT AND MINISTRY | curr | Quarterly Bible study for adults offered by the Presbyterian curriculum We Believe. |
| WE BELIEVE:YOUNG ADULT:REALFAITHREALLIFE:KEEP IT SIMPLE AND SACRED | curr | Alternatives for Advent and Christmas. Six sessions 1.Christmas Lights Before Thanksgiving? 2.A Holy Waiting Period 3.The Christians and the Pagans 4.Simple a Miracle 5.Gifts that Keep on Giving 6.The Magic of the Magi. |
| WE HEAR THE CHRISTMAS ANGELS | b | True stories of their presence, We Hear the Christmas Angels presents inspiring personal stories of angels still delivering tidings of comfort, protection and joy, particularly at Christmastime. |
| WHAT CAN WE LEARN FROM THE CHRIST CHILD | b | A 4 week study appropriate for both group and individual use. Each lesson includes a Scripture reading, brief reflection, study/discussion questions, and a focus for the coming week. |
| WHAT DO YOU WANT FOR CHRISTMAS? | b | Does your heart long for the gifts the Christ Child brings-the type of gifts money can't buy? This 4 week study for both group/individual use includes key passage of Scripture,brief reflections,study/discussion questions,prayer,focus for the week. |
| WHEN GOD COMES DOWN | b | Explores the lives of people who witnessed the miracle in the Incarnation.A 5-week study appropriate both group/individual use.Each lesson includes a reference to key passage of Scripture,reflection questions,brief prayer,focus for the coming week. |
| WHERE HEAVEN TOUCHES EARTH | b | The birth of the Christ Child is an example of the divine intersecting the daily. This study will be looking at the way in which we can become more aware of/ invloved in where heaven touches earth around, in , and throught us. |
| WHILE WE WAIT: LIVING THE QUESTIONS OF ADVENT | b | Unique perspectives on the events of Christmas, includes complete plans for small-group sessions, a fifth session for the week of Epiphany, daily scripture reading and reflection questions, and intrduction to the spiritual discipline of breath prayer. |
| WHITE STAR GARAGE | vid | The story of a rebirth of faith. God is always with us-if we have the eyes to see. Jose David Lopez is having difficulty finding a bank to cash his check and a hospital for his wife to have their child. It's Christmas Eve, the snow is falling... |
| WHO GETS TO GO? | b | Simulation creates a sense of reality for situations which cannot be experienced in actuality.The question "Who Gets to Go?" applies to the shepherds and the kings. Simulation program can be used for all ages. |
| WHY THE CHIMES RANG | b | A Christmas pagent/play 7 -9 characters. |
| WHY THIS JUBILEE? | b | Advent Reflections on Songs of the Season, Howell invites us to revisit songs of the seaon,even some secular ones,and contemplate certain phrases and their meaning for us.Includes a 4 session leader's guide with opening/closing prayers,hymns. |
| WITH HEARTS AND HANDS UPLIFTED | b | Daily devotions for Advent offers 28 devotions for each day of Advent and Christmas Day based on familiar hymns of the season.Includes hymn text, Scripture readings, author commentary. |
| WOMEN OF CHRISTMAS, THE | b | Best-selling author Liz Curtis Higgs explores the biblical stories of Elizabeth, Mary, and Anna, unwrapping each verse and introducing you afresh to "The Women of Christmas". |

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| WONDER OF CHRISTMAS | b | A children's book takes a look at the Christmas story with the emphasis on the wonder of the season. Each page is followed by a short prayer and biblical text. Each facing page has the Spanish translation. |
| WONDER OF WONDERS: CHRISTMAS WITH DIETRICH BONHOEFFER | b | Meditations from the works of Dietrich Bonhoeffer, beloved theologian of the 20th century. Perfect as brief devotions for those who are familiar with Bonhoeffer's work and as an introduction to his writing for those not yet familiar with him. |
| WONDER SERIES, THE:THE WONDER OF THE BOY JESUS | vid | Filmed in the holy land, this series helps children learn about Jesus in the land where he lived. 1. The Wonder of the Boy Jesus. 2. The Wonder of Living Things in the Land of Jesus. 3. The Wonder of the Days of Jesus. |
| WON'T YOU LET HIM IN? | b | A four-week study on receiving and welcoming God's gift of the Christ Child. Scripture,brief reflection,study questions,brief prayer,focus for coming week. |
| WORSHIP FEAST: ADVENT & CHRISTMAS | b | While taking youth/young adults through Advent/Christmas,this resource provides experiential worship outlines,plus seven worship openers for Sunday school classes and other settings.Also includes a prayer station experience through the Nativity. |