

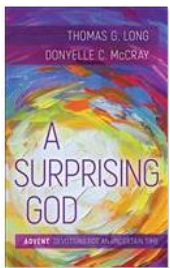
## NEWEST RESOURCES IN YOUR PNK RESOURCE CENTER

### NEWEST Advent Resources from PCUSA



#### ADVENT IN PLAIN SIGHT: A DEVOTION THROUGH 10 OBJECTS by Jill J. Duffield

In this daily devotional for Advent, Christmas, and Epiphany, Jill J. Duffield draws readers' attention to ten ordinary objects that appear in the biblical narratives of messianic prophesy and incarnation—objects we encounter in our own lives.



#### A SURPRISING GOD: ADVENT DEVOTIONS FOR AN UNCERTAIN TIME by Thomas G. Long and

Donyelle C. McCray

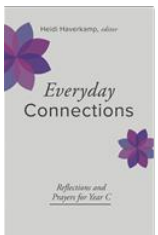
Mindful of the stresses of life today in a world torn apart by conflict, marked by political division, and in the midst of a global health crisis, these devotions for Advent and Christmas invite readers to honest reflection on the challenges of being people of faith in this moment.



#### CONNECTIONS WORSHIP COMPANION YEAR C, VOL 1: ADVENT THROUGH PENTECOST by David

Gambrell

This volume of the Connections Worship Companion series offers complete liturgies--from the call to worship to the closing charge, with prayers and litanies for every need in between--for all worshiping occasions between Advent and Pentecost of Year C.



#### EVERYDAY CONNECTIONS REFLECTIONS AND PRACTICES FOR YEAR C by Heidi Haverkamp

Drawing from the insightful Bible commentaries in the Connections series, this volume provides a full fifty-two weeks of devotional material based on the Revised Common Lectionary for Year C.



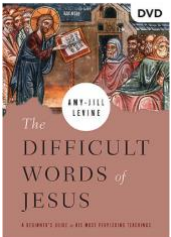
ORDERED AND ARRIVING SOON... one practice or unit from the NEW PC(USA) Follow Me Curriculum.

HOPE: Follow Me: Biblical Practices for Faithful Living is a 4 session unit ideal for Advent.

The large –scale package ordered includes: 1 Congregational Guide, 1 Young Children Guide, 1 Multiage Children Leader’s Guide, 1 Youth Leader’s Guide, 1 Adult Leader’s Guide, 10 Adult Reflection Guides

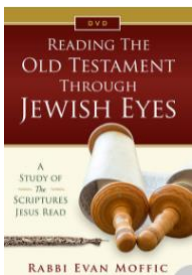
### **NEWEST DVDs in the Resource Center**

#### **Adult DVD based Studies:**



THE DIFFICULT WORDS OF JESUS by Amy Jill Levine

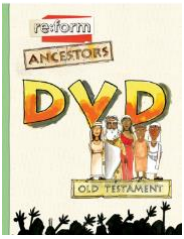
How they were and now should be interpreted in context of the gospel of love and reconciliation. 1. Sell What You Own, 2. Hate Father/Mother, 3. Slave of All 4. Nowhere Among the Gentiles, 5. Outer Darkness, 6. Your Father the Devil. Includes 6/11-14 minute sessions on DVD, leader guide and book



READING THE O.T. THROUGH JEWISH EYES by Rabbi Evan Moffic

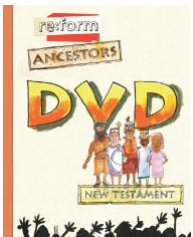
Rabbi Evan Moffic explores the Torah, and highlights points of interest to Christians. He describes the role of the Torah in Jewish Worship/practice and explores key themes of each book and how the Torah can be a source of wisdom, truth and transformation. Includes 6/5-7 min. sessions on DVD, leader guide and book

## For Youth Ministry:



RE:FORM: ANCESTORS OLD TESTAMENT from Sparkhouse

Reform Ancestors O.T. is a youth Bible study that explores the ancestors of our faith by exposing the real, unpolished, and unexpected personalities of 15 Old Testament characters: Adam and Eve, Noah, Abraham and Sarah, Jacob, Joseph, Moses, Rahab, Deborah, Samson, Ruth, David, Solomon, Elijah, Daniel, and Jonah. Includes 15/8-10 minute videos on DVD, leader guide and anti-workbook.

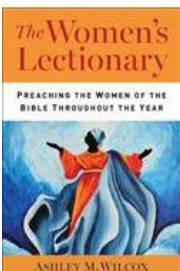


RE:FORM: ANCESTORS NEW TESTAMENT from Sparkhouse

Reform Ancestors N.T. is a youth Bible study that explores the ancestors of our faith by exposing the real, unpolished, and unexpected personalities of 15 New Testament characters: Mary the Mother of Jesus, John the Baptist, Centurion, 12 Disciples, Sheep, Simon Peter, Syrophenician Woman, Sadducees and Pharisees, Mary and Marth, Judas Iscariot, Pontius Pilate, Mary Magdalene, Thomas, Saul/Paul, and Lydia. Includes 15/8-10 minute videos on DVD, leader guide and anti-workbook.

## NEWEST BOOKS in the Resource Center

### For Preaching and Worship



THE WOMAN'S LECTIONARY: PREACHING THE WOMEN OF THE BIBLE THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

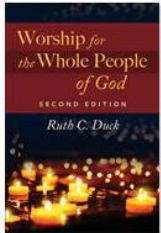
by Ashley M. Wilcox

Focusing on passages about women in the Bible and feminine imagery of God, Ashley Wilcox explores how the feminine descriptions of God in the Bible are similarly varied—how does it change our understanding if God is feminine wisdom, has wings, or is an angry mother bear?



### CONNECTIONS: YEAR B, VOLUME 3: SEASON AFTER PENTECOST

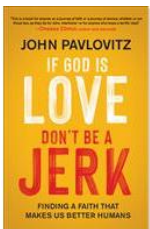
9 volume series offers creative commentary on each reading in the 3 year cycle by viewing them through its lens of its connections to the rest of Scripture and then seeing the reading through the lens of culture, film, fiction, ethics, and contemporary life.



### WORSHIP FOR THE WHOLE PEOPLE OF GOD: SECOND EDITION by Ruth Duck

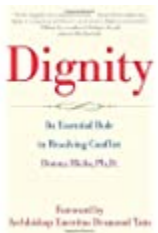
This new edition updates and expands recommended resources, the section on worship trends, multicultural worship, and revised marriage information based on cultural and denominational changes. It also includes a new appendix by David Gambrell addressing the theological and practical questions surrounding online worship.

### MORE NEW BOOKS ...



### IF GOD IS LOVE DON'T'E BE A JERK by John Pavlovitz

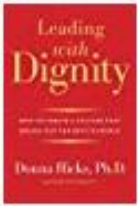
**Thou Shalt Not Be Horrible.** John Pavlovitz asks us to imagine for a moment what the world might look like if we as people of faith, morality, and conscience actually aspired to this mantra.



### DIGNITY: ITS ESSENTIAL ROLE IN RESOLVING CONFLICT by Donna Hicks, Ph.D., Forward by

Archbishop Emeritus Desmond Tutu

This innovative introduction to a new model of dignity teaches us how to understand its role in our lives and relationships. It identifies the elements of dignity, dignity violations and how to respond to violations and how to put dignity into practice every day.



LEADING WITH DIGNITY by Donna Hicks, Ph.D.

How do we create a culture that brings out the best in people? This book from an expert in dignity studies, explores the essential but under-recognized role of dignity as part of good leadership. It conveys a simple and powerful message, that people want to be valued, and when they are, it brings out the best in them.



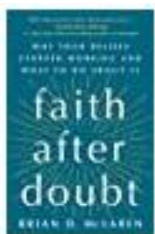
NATIVE AMERICAN RESILIENCE: A STORY OF RACISM, GENOCIDE AND SURVIVAL by P.S. Steng

A story of Native American resilience. It is a history of atrocities perpetrated on American Indians. Some tribes have ceased to exist, but those that remain work to strengthen their religions, cultures and governments. In the 21<sup>st</sup> century, they continue to strive for equality, respect and recognition as the 1st Citizens of this nation, all of which are rightfully theirs.



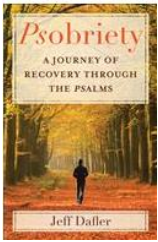
MADNESS AND GRACE by Matthew S. Stanford, PhD.

This is a practical guide for pastoral care and serious mental illness. It is carefully constructed to help build competency in detecting a wide spectrum of mental disorders and when to refer someone to a mental health professional.



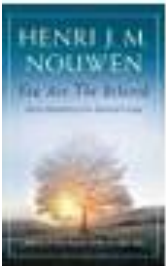
FAITH AFTER DOUBT by Brian D. McLaren

Millions of people feel that their faith is falling apart. McLaren uses his own story and stories of a diverse group of struggling believers to propose a new model of development. Questions and doubt are not the enemy of faith but a portal to a more mature more fruitful kind of faith.



PSOBRIETY: A JOURNEY OF RECOVERY THROUGH THE PSALMS by Jeff Dafler

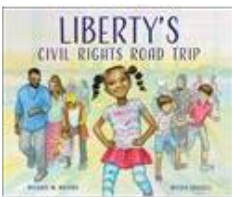
Helps people in recovery from alcohol and substance abuse with daily reading on each of the 150 Psalms. Jeff Dafler, a recovering alcoholic and AA member, reflects on the comforting words of these ancient poems inspiring others walking the brave path of recovery.



YOU ARE THE BELOVED: DAILY MEDITATIONS FOR SPIRITUAL LIVING by Henri J.M. Nouwen

Henri Nouwen devoted much of his later ministry to emphasizing the singular concept of our identity as the Beloved of God. This daily devotional, created from the very best of Nouwen's writings, helps readers embed this truth in their own lives.

**NEWEST CHILDREN'S BOOKS FROM PCUSA**



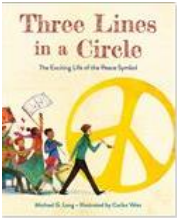
LIBERTY'S CIVIL RIGHTS ROAD TRIP by Michael W. Waters

As told through the innocent view of a child, Liberty's Civil Rights Road Trip serves as an early introduction to places, people, and events that transformed history. The story is inspired by an actual journey led by author Michael W. Waters, bringing together a multigenerational group to witness key locations from the civil rights movement. An author's note and more information about each stop on Liberty's trip offer ways for adults to expand the conversation with young readers.



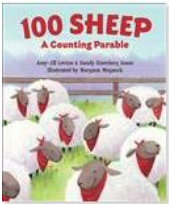
GOD'S COMING TO VISIT by Franz Hubner

With sensitivity and humor, this story explores the nature of God's presence and love, affirming that although God may not appear in the ways we expect, we can always be certain that God is with us.



THREE LINES IN A CIRCLE by Michael G. Long

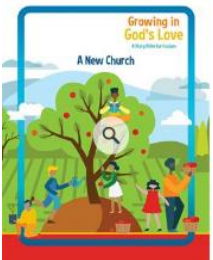
This bold picture book tells the story of the peace symbol—designed in 1958 by a London activist protesting nuclear weapons—and how it inspired people all over the world. Depicting the symbol’s travels from peace marches and liberation movements to the end of apartheid and the fall of the Berlin Wall, Three Lines in a Circle offers a message of inspiration to today’s children and adults who are working to create social change.



100 SHEEP: A COUNTING PARABLE by Amy-Jill Levine and Sandy Eisenberg-Sasso

This board-book version of the Parable of the Lost Sheep is a counting parable that builds early counting skills while showing that God’s love finds us wherever we go. Adapted from the picture book Who Counts? by the same authors.

**NEW PCUSA CURRICULUM**



**A COMPANION CURRICULUM for “GROWING in GOD’S LOVE: A STORY BIBLE”**

for children 5-10 years. Available Unit titles ...

**NEWEST UNITS AVAILABLE IN THE RESOURCE CENTER...**

- \*THE EXODUS    \*JOSHUA    \*ELIJAH AND ELISHA
- \*LISTENING FOR GOD    \*JESUS TEACHES    \*MORE PARABLES JESUS TOLD

The eight units highlighted below, in yellow, are available to use virtually in your church for your children’s program needs at [www.pnks.org](http://www.pnks.org) under the **EDUCATION** option at the top of the **PNK** home page.

- \*CREATION    \*ABRAHAM and SARAH’S BIG FAMILY    \*ESAU and JACOB
- \*BRAVE WOMEN and MEN in the OLD TESTAMENT    \*GOD’S MESSAGES
- \*THE BIRTH of JESUS    \*PEOPLE JESUS MET    \*PARABLES JESUS TOLD
- \*HEALINGS and MIRACLES    \*LAST THINGS    \*SURPRISES    \*A NEW CHURCH

Call or Email the Resource Center to **PREVIEW/ CHECK OUT CURRICULUM AND RESOURCES**