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Christian Spiritual Formation MennoMedia, Inc.

Presents one bible story for every Sunday of the year, which is paired with an activity suitable for small children which reinforces the moral or lesson appearing in each story.

Fresh Wind Blowing Abingdon Press

"Can you give me the book that will tell me how to DO Christian education?" The Nuts & Bolts of Christian Education is designed to answer the most frequently asked questions by new as well as veteran teachers and leaders. Even though most churches provide teacher and leader training at least once a year, generally these one- or two-day sessions are unable to answer every question that arises during the year. The Nuts & Bolts of Christian Education is a practical guidebook that leads new and experienced teachers through the challenging, and sometimes confounding, landscape of the education ministry of a congregation. This is not a collection of lesson plans--it is a chock-full survey of nearly every aspect of Christian education one could imagine. DOING Christian Education starts here. *Body Politics* Wipf and Stock Publishers A fun-filled activity book for kids is a great way to focus on the true meaning of Advent and Christmas. Includes how to make an Advent wreath, plus mazes, crossword puzzles, connect-the-dots, and word searches.

Anglican Young People's Dictionary Abingdon Press

Would you like to have a creative resource that offers form and freedom for worship planning? Do you have a desire to weave more Scripture into your worship services? Would you like to follow the cycles and seasons of the Christian Year? If you can relate to these questions, *Lectionary Journey* is a great resource for you! Following the Revised Common Lectionary (RCL), this resource provides integrated, Scripture-based calls to worship, prayers, and affirmations of faith for each Sunday and for special days in the Christian Year, over the three-year lectionary cycle. This resource is of great benefit even if your

church does not follow the RCL in its preaching. *Lectionary Journey* ensures that we are being called into worship, praying, and affirming our faith through the word. It allows Scripture to be woven throughout our corporate worship services, letting its language, narrative, metaphors, themes, teachings, truths, and paradigms form and shape us, week after week. Worship planners will find this resource to be of benefit as an annual guide for stewarding God's story, a weekly guide for planning corporate worship, a regular source of spiritual formation, and an ecumenical resource that fosters community within the body of Christ.

Faith Formation 4.0 Church House Publishing

By 2030, almost one-third of North Americans will be over age 65. How will this affect the church? Author Elsie Rempel believes that the swelling ranks of new seniors represent a huge spiritual resource. In *Please Pass the Faith* she draws from real life and from Christian formation experts in helping seniors and other adults foster relationships with children and youth. She also offers practical ideas for integrating children and youth into church life--all the while nurturing one's own spiritual life as an elder. "Each page sings Rempel's commitment to faith transmission through activities, presence, and storytelling." —Marlene Harder Bogard, minister of Christian formation, Western District Conference of Mennonite Church USA *Effectiveness By The Numbers* CLC Publications

Felkner covers such key areas as enlisting and training teachers; selecting curriculum; finding and using places and spaces; barriers and opportunities; and locating and inviting students. An excellent resource list for future reference is included, as well as questions for discussion.

Holy Habits: Sharing Resources Church Publishing, Inc.

Designed especially for those who've known Christ and been in a church for a few years, this self-assessment helps the believer see they must continue growing and deal with any ungodly strongholds that stand in their way.

The Hopeful Family Church Publishing, Inc.

Holy Habits is an initiative to nurture Christian discipleship. It explores Luke's model of church found in Acts 2:42-47, identifies ten habits and encourages the development of a way of life formed by them. These resources, which include an introductory guide, have been developed to help churches explore the habits in a range of contexts and live them out in whole-life, missional discipleship.

Common Worship Abingdon Press

First exclusively Episcopal prayer book for youth This prayer book designed for teens draws from the Book of Common Prayer, relevant prayers written by well known Episcopalians, and ancient prayers rooted in the Bible. New and original prayers are also offered, written by contemporary church leaders in the Episcopal Church, as well as by teens themselves, young adults and youth leaders. The book is structured in four parts: Daily Prayer. Including morning prayer, table blessings, and night time. Prayers for the Seasons of the Church Year. Blessing of a Christmas tree, prayer for Christ in my life for Easter, prayer for courage to share my faith, and more. Prayers for Daily Life. Before a special school event, before a sports event, before a test, being left out, bullying, dating, divorce, doubts, forgiveness, friendship, gratitude, grief, guidance, hope, motivation, peer pressure, pets, purpose, and more. Prayers for Important Events. Significant birthday, earning a driver's license, Confirmation, beginning the school year, starting high school, applying for college, graduating high school, going to college, joining the workforce.

A Journey Guide for Growing Christians Upper Room Books

Prayer is one of the most important areas of a Christian's life. In *When You Pray*, Bishop Rueben P. Job explores the daily practices of living a prayerful life with this thoughtful devotional. *When You Pray* is an excellent tool to use in daily prayer time and, while linked to the Revised Common Lectionary, non-lectionary users will feel comfortable reading this as well. This stand-alone devotional can also be used for churches participating in *Becoming A Praying Congregation* as the leader, team members, congregation, small groups, families and individuals will be encouraged

to use this resource in their prayer time. *Common Worship: Pastoral Services* Wipf and Stock Publishers

Using an ecological approach to study how emerging technologies impact individual and communal formation, *Faith Formation 4.0* looks at how our efforts to be story-keepers, story-sharers, and story-makers have evolved over four eras of human communication. Framed by the Great Commission imperative to "make disciples," this book offers a road map to help leaders develop goals to form, inform, and transform new members, as well as long-time believers, within a faith community. The author successfully illustrates that church success depends not only on knowing the Christian message of God's enduring love, but also how to use today's tools appropriately for evangelization and faith formation.

The Way to Pentecost Church Publishing, Inc.

This comprehensive theory and practice of Christian spiritual formation weaves together biblical and theological foundations with interdisciplinary scholarship, real-world examples, personal vignettes, and practical tools to assist readers in becoming whole persons in relationship with God and others.

Feasting on the Word Worship Companion Paraclete Press (MA)

This invaluable resource offers planning processes and practical tools for fashioning and implementing a lifelong curriculum. Includes a CD-ROM with PowerPoint presentations for each chapter as well as worksheets and handouts.

For the Common Good Abingdon Press Builds upon the success of *The Episcopal Handbook*, this handbook taps into and expands on the most accessed pages of the Building Faith website and its online resource room. Perfect gift for teachers, seminarians and the newly ordained, this field guide is essential reading for all those who have anything to do with the ministry of Christian formation and education. A trusted companion and toolbox for anyone who teaches children, youth, or adults in a congregational setting, it includes handy forms, teaching tidbits, plus important information on "all things Episcopal," sprinkled with humor and advice on how to handle many of the situations that occur in a teaching setting.

Christian Education Wipf and Stock

A fresh wind of God's Spirit is blowing on the earth today, and as in times past, God is inviting us to raise our sails and move forward with the power and direction that reflects our commitment to God's will. Some are calling it "a new pentecost," but whatever name is given, we are living in a

time when we have an opportunity to connect with God's renewing work. One specific manifestation of this movement is "the new monasticism." This book is an invitation to explore it and embrace the dynamics it contains.

The Episcopal Christian Educator's Handbook Wood Lake Publishing Inc.

This fresh collection of group readings and simple dramas based on stories from Scripture, together with meditations, story-telling methodology and an instructed Eucharist, will help church leaders design liturgy for children and grownups who worship together. 1. Introductory Material: practical background and instruction about organizing and arranging intergenerational worship, with special emphasis on children's needs. 2. Seasonal Introductions: Themes and ideas for each liturgical season including collects, confessions, etc. 3. Congregational Readings: simple group readings of Scripture that engage both reader and people. 4. Meditations: Quiet, imaginative reflections on scripture, or water, or fire, that lead listeners deep inside themselves, even at worship. 5. Simple Dramas: Biblical stories in which characters speak for themselves (martha and Mar, Mary and Elizabeth, Elijah and Elisha, etc.) to the worshipers; some are quite playful and some are more serious. 6. Stories: biblical stories told very colorfully and simply, sometimes in the first person of a character in the story. 7. Simple Sermons: simple, colorful, soulful, short sermons that even grownups can sit still for. 8. Tableaux Vivants: "Living Pictures"- how to do them, and several pieces written and staged. 9 Appendices: Methods of storytelling and An instructed Eucharist [Please Pass the Faith](#) Westminster John Knox Press

For the Common Good reminds us that the Holy Spirit gives each Christian one or more spiritual gifts to be used for the common good. It guides readers to discover their own particular gifts and learn to use their gifts to serve others. Examining key passages in Paul's writings, author Christine Harman leads readers through a personal spiritual gift assessment. She names 25 distinct spiritual gifts—such as discernment, hospitality, compassion, evangelism, or music—and helps people explore scripture references on each one. After identifying their particular gifts, clergy and laypeople will learn how to apply them for the good of their church, community, and the world. This book is ideal for both group study and self-discovery. The book also includes suggestions for how to build a ministry

team based on the gifts of each individual. This book is the text for a Lay Servant Ministries advanced course on spiritual gifts. It also can be used for a small-group study.

The Day When God Made the Church Church Publishing, Inc.

Based on the Revised Common Lectionary (RCL), *Feasting on the Word Worship Companion: Liturgies for Year B, Volume 1* provides liturgical pieces used in preparing for worship. Written and compiled by an ecumenical team of eleven seasoned liturgy writers, this resource offers a multitude of poetic prayers and responsive readings for all parts of worship and is meant to complement existing denominational resources. In addition, the weekly entries include questions for reflection and household prayers for morning and evening that are drawn from the lectionary, allowing churches to include them in their bulletin for parishioners to use throughout the week. During times of the year when two different tracks of Old Testament texts are offered by the RCL, this resource offers an entire set of materials for each track. Also, a CD-ROM is included with each print volume that enables planners to easily cut and paste relevant readings, prayers, and questions into worship bulletins. Liturgy writers include the following: Kimberly L. Clayton, Director of Contextual Education, Columbia Theological Seminary, Decatur, Georgia; Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) David Gambrell, Associate for Worship in the Office of Theology and Worship, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), Louisville, Kentucky; Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Daniel M. Geslin, Pastor, Union Congregational Church of Hancock, Hancock, Maine; United Church of Christ Kimberly Bracken Long, Associate Professor of Worship, Columbia Theological Seminary, Decatur, Georgia; Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) L. Edward Phillips, Associate Professor of Worship and Liturgical Theology, Candler School of Theology, Atlanta, Georgia; United Methodist Church Melinda Quivik, Liturgical Scholar, Houghton, Michigan; Evangelical Lutheran Church in America Carol L. Wade, Dean of Christ Church Cathedral, Lexington, Kentucky; Episcopal Church

Ready, Set, Teach! Church Publishing, Inc. Millions of Christians worldwide follow the liturgical Christian calendar in their worship services and in their own personal devotions. The seasons of the Christian year connect believers of diverse backgrounds and offer the sense of unity Jesus desired. Robert Webber believes that we can get even more out of the Christian

calendar. He contends that through its rich theological meanings the Christian year can become a cycle for evangelism and spiritual formation. He offers pastors, church leaders, and those of the "younger evangelical" mind-set practical steps to

help achieve this end, including preaching texts and worship themes for Lent, Easter, Pentecost, Advent, and Christmas.
Ancient-Future Time (Ancient-Future)
Twenty-Third Publications

Offers liturgical material for the journey of each individual through life. For each key element of this journey (birth, marriage, healing, death), it provides both material for key 'public' events and resources for 'private' pastoral care.