

RESOURCE LIST

NORTHERN ILLINOIS CONFERENCE BOARD OF ORDAINED MINISTRY

BASIC THEOLOGY

A Generous Orthodoxy by Brian D. McLaren

The Real Jesus by Luke Timothy Johnson

Principles of Christian Theology by John MacQuarrie

Things Hidden Since the Foundation of the World by Rene Girard

Stricken by God? Brad Jersak & Michael Hardin, Editors

WESLEYAN EMPHASIS AND THEOLOGY

A Heart Strangely Warmed by Jonathan Dean

Responsible Grace by Randy Maddox

Major United Methodist Beliefs by Mack B. Stokes

The New Creation by Theodore Runyon

By Water and the Spirit by Gayle Carlton Felton

This Holy Mystery by Gayle Carlton Felton

John Wesley's Scriptural Christianity by Thomas C. Oden

A basic course for all newly appointed clergy on *polity and structure* is suggested.

HUMANITY/SIN/EVIL

Speaking of Sin by Barbara Brown Taylor

The Nature and Destiny of Man by Reinhold Niebuhr

Letters and Papers from Prison by Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Stricken by God? Brad Jersak & Michael Hardin, Editors

Children of the Lie by M. Scott Peck

Violence Unveiled by Gil Bailie

KINGDOM OF GOD/LORDSHIP OF JESUS CHRIST

The Trinity and the Kingdom by Jurgen Moltmann

The Cost of Discipleship by Dietrich Bonhoeffer

RESURRECTION/ETERNAL LIFE

Surprised by Hope by NT Wright

Speaking of Dying: Recovering the Church's Voice in the Face of Death by Fred Craddock and others

Grammars of Resurrection by Brian Robinette

SACRAMENTS

By Water and the Spirit by Gayle Carlton Felton

This Holy Mystery by Gayle Carlton Felton

Baptism, Eucharist and Ministry by The World Council of Churches

Eucharist, and Baptism and Calendar (three books) by Laurence Hull Stookey

Worship as Theology by Don E. Sailer

LEADERSHIP/ADMINISTRATION

Effective Staffing for Vital Churches by Bill Easum and Bill Tenny-Brittian

Governance & Ministry by Dan Hotchkiss

Leaders Eat Last by Simon Sinek

The Advantage by Patrick Lencioni

Ministry Guidelines Resources (set of booklets) from Discipleship Ministries

Renovate or Die by Bob Farr

When Moses Meets Aaron by Gil Rendle and Susan Beaumont

Failing Boldly by Christian Coon

Turning to One Another by Margaret Wheatley

TEACHING/BIBLE STUDY PREP

Teaching the Bible to Youth and Adults by Dick Murray

What IS the Bible? By Rob Bell

The Life & Times of Jesus the Messiah by Alfred Edersheim

PASTORAL CARE/SELF-CARE/SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINES

Accompany Them with Singing by Thomas G. Long

Celebration of Discipline by Richard J. Foster

Intimacy with God by Thomas Keating

A Spiritual Director

5-Day Academy for Spiritual Formation

PREACHING

Preaching Without Notes by Joseph Webb

Unleashing the Word by Adam Hamilton

Preaching in the Era of Trump, Wesley Allen

Craddock Stories by Fred Craddock

The Cherry Log Sermons by Fred Craddock

Good News is Bad News is Good News by William K. McElvaney

Unexpected News by Robert McAfee Brown

The Preaching Life by Barbara Brown Taylor

Festival of Homiletics

Styberg Preaching Institute at Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary

Listen to other preachers (podcasts)

SOCIAL JUSTICE/MISSION

Toxic Charity by Robert Lupton

Transforming Mission by David Bosch

Hispanic Women: Prophetic Voice in the Church, Ada Maria Isasi-Diaz

Why We Can't Wait by Martin Luther King Jr.

Becoming a Justice-Seeking Congregation by Dr. Bill McElvaney

UNITED METHODIST POLITY AND STRUCTURE

Polity, Practice, and the Mission of the UMC by Thomas Edward Frank

www.umcdiscipleship.org (Discipleship Ministries GBOD)

DISCIPLESHIP/LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

Bearing Fruit by Lovett Weems,

Pastor: The Theology & Practice of Ordained Leadership by Will Willimon

Spiritual Discipleship by J. Oswald Sanders

Leadership Institute – Church of the Resurrection

OTHER RESOURCES

Conflict Resolution: Lombard Mennonite Peace Center Workshops (*Clergy Clinic, Conflict Transformation, Healthy Congregations*), NIC - Rule of Christ Training

Self/Pastor Care: Clinical Pastoral Education

New Church Development/Re-Development: Institute for Congregational Development Training

The Holy Bible

The Book of Discipline

The Book of Worship

The UM Hymnal (and supplements)

John Wesley's Notes of the New Testament

John Wesley's Sermons

Books by Rev. Adam Hamilton

Worship Resources by Marcia Mcfee

Reading Resources of UMW

Bishop's Book Recommendations

Not Your Parents Offering Plate by Clif Christopher