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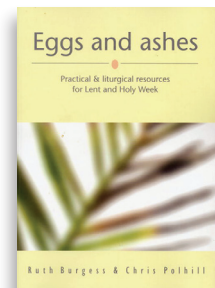
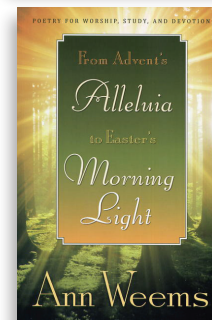
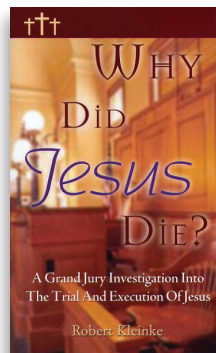
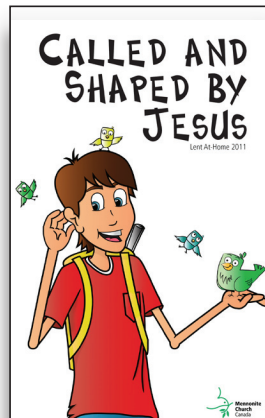
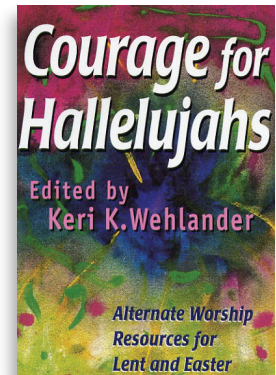
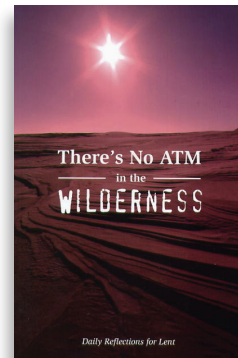
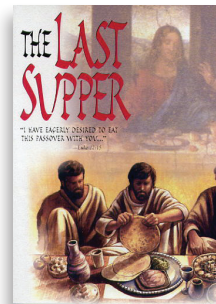
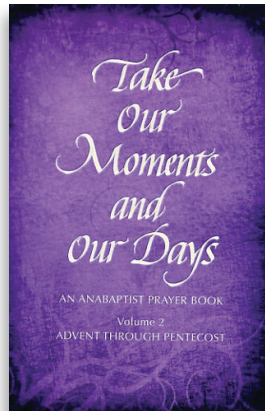
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WORSHIP RESOURCES

March 9 – Ash Wednesday
www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/491
 April 17 – Palm Sunday
www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/160
 April 21 – Maundy Thursday
www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/161
 April 22 – Good Friday
www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/162
 April 24 – Easter
www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/163
 May 1 – Many Peoples Sunday
www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/1436
 June 12 – Pentecost
www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/164


Lent & Easter resources





We're changing the Update.

Fewer Hyperlinks are included in this PDF version. Rather, to view all the resources highlighted in this month's Update, check one online location www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/1373 We trust that website viewing will be easier for you!

MAKE THE MOST OF THIS UPDATE:

 **Circulate** widely – to librarian, pastor, worship planners, education coordinator, and church secretary

 **Invite** friends/committee members to subscribe:
www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/347

 **Submit** your own original worship service or congregational event for inclusion here and on the web



Refer to page 4

Here's your link to curriculum, devotional, drama, family, and worship resources for Ash Wednesday, Lent, Holy Week (Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Tenebrae, Stations of the Cross, Seder meal) and Easter.

www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/132

Children's Corner home, Sunday School or Sunday morning storyteller



Taste and See: God is Good

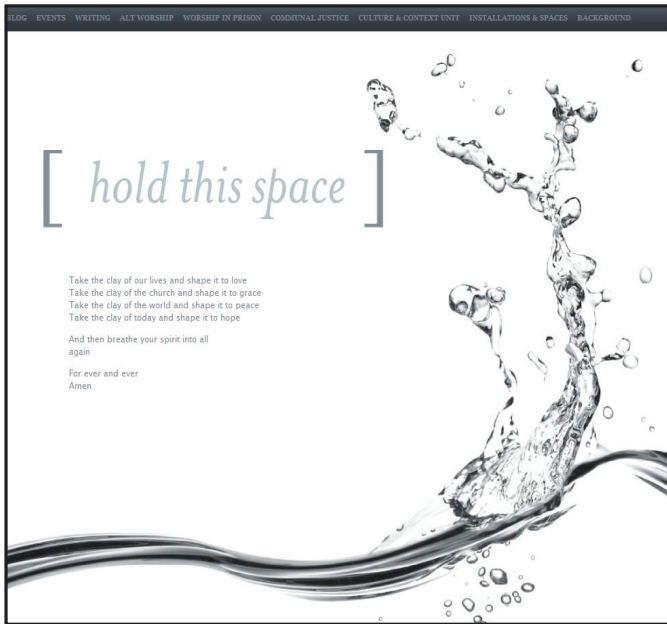
2011 Vacation Bible School material from Faith and Life Resources. Fun worship, interactive dramas, lively songs, an emphasis on Bible learning, and easy-to-plan activity centres will help children, age 4-14, look at food differently, through the eyes of faith! Also adaptable for mid-week children's program.

Check www.mpn.net/vbs for preview material and order information.

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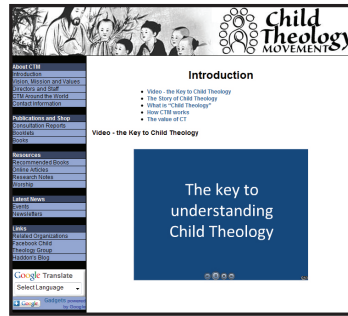
Links worth noting

Our catalogue links you to many websites – here are some recent additions:



holdthisspace.org.au

Hold This Space: Alt Worship and Prison Ministry Resources - A source of alternative worship resources: Spaces, prayers, liturgies that have been developed for particular events and settings, including prison ministry.



www.childtheology.org/new
Child Theology Movement

- In obedience to Jesus' revolutionary action of placing a child in the midst of a key theological discussion (Matthew 18), Child Theology Movement is committed to reform all theological reflection and enquiry 'with a child in the midst.'



www.anabaptistblogs.com

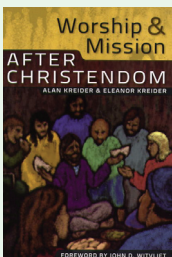
Anabaptist Blogs and Bloggers
- An online network of Anabaptist-themed blogs from Anabaptist Bloggers.



www.mennonitechurch.ca/resourcecentre/FileDownload/13482/Consensus_Guidelines_ENG-1.pdf

Guidelines for Making Decisions by Consensus: Mennonite World Conference - An example of decision-making guidelines that could be applied to congregational settings.

From our Press



Worship and Mission after Christendom
by Alan Kreider; Eleanor Kreider, Herald Press, 2010.

Today, as Christendom weakens, worship and mission are poised to reunite after centuries of separation. In post-Christendom mission, God is the main actor and God calls all Christians to participate. In post-Christendom worship, the church tells and celebrates the story of God, enabling members to live in hope and attract outsiders to its many tables of hospitality.




Tongue Screws and Testimonies: Poems, Stories, and Essays inspired by the Martyrs Mirror
by Kirsten Beachy, Herald Press, 2011.

A refreshing, reflective, heartbreaking, humorous—and sometimes irreverent—anthology of poems, creative essays and fiction by new and noted authors with connections to the Anabaptist tradition.



www.faithformationlearningexchange.net

Faith Formation Learning Exchange
- A source for research, practices, resources (articles, books, podcasts, and more) & approaches in faith formation across the whole life span.

 Do you have any sites to recommend?

From our Churches

Original materials from our constituency



Were You There When They Crucified My Lord?
By Dan Loewen, Level Ground Mennonite Church.

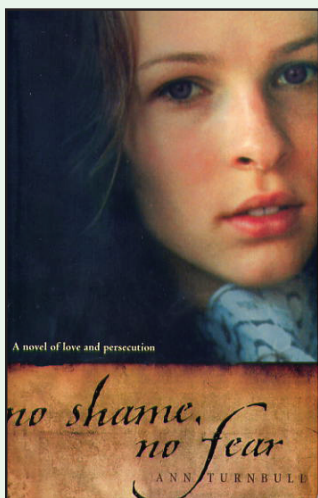
A somber and reflective version of the hymn "Were You There," arranged by Dan Loewen and used at their Good Friday service last year.



Share your church's original material at resources@mennonitechurch.ca

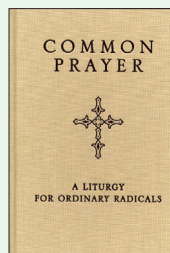
New Resources

We average 3 new resources daily.



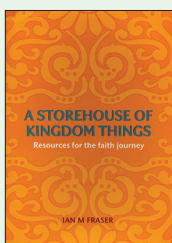
**No Shame, No Fear:
A Novel of Love and Persecution**
by Ann Turnbull, Candlewick Press, 2004.

A young Quaker girl and the son of a wealthy merchant face intolerance and persecution in this gripping historical novel that evokes the passion and idealism of young love.



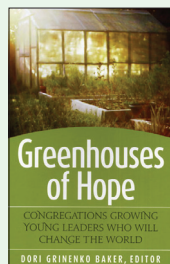
Common Prayer: A Liturgy For Ordinary Radicals
by Shane Claiborne; Jonathan Wilson-Hartgrove; Enuma Okoro , Zondervan, 2010.

Designed to help individuals, families, and congregations pray, sing, and act together across traditions and denominations, the authors offer a book of common prayer to help you and your community join together each day with the song, scripture, and prayer.



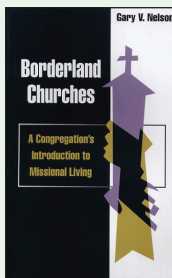
**A Storehouse of Kingdom Things:
Resources for the Faith Journey**
by Ian M. Fraser, Wild Goose Publications, 2010.

In this rich and ranging book, Ian sums up the concerns and works of his lifetime, and reflects on: the banking crisis and the world order; responding to God; getting rid of war; Israel and Palestine, and much more.



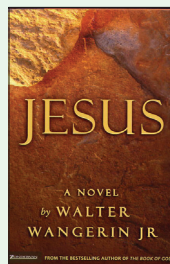
Greenhouses of Hope: Congregations Growing Young Leaders Who Will Change The World
ed Dori Grinenko Baker, Alban Institute, 2010.

Do you see congregations where young people's gifts are not stored in the basement or bracketed into "contemporary" worship services but are brought forth and celebrated? The authors launched a quest for such vibrant, life-giving, greening congregations and observed the diverse practices that grow there.



Borderland Churches: A Congregation's Introduction to Missional Living
by Gary V. Nelson, Chalice Press, 2009.

A call to embrace the pluralistic, post Christian and postmodern culture with a sense of opportunity and hope.

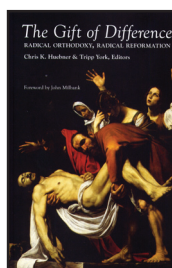


Jesus: A Novel

by Walter Wangerin , JR., Zondervan, 2005.

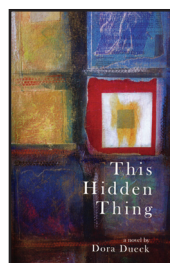
In vibrant language, Wangerin sweeps away centuries of tradition and reveals a man of flesh-and-heart immediacy. Passionate, intelligent, and irresistibly real, this is a Jesus who will captivate you as thoroughly as he did the men and women who journeyed with him across Galilee.

From our Partners



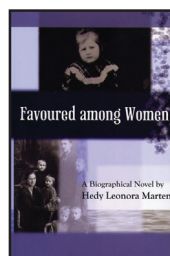
The Gift of Difference: Radical Orthodoxy, Radical Reformation
ed Chris K. Huebner; Tripp York, 2010.

Retrieving central themes of classical theology, this book is both faithful to tradition and innovative, offering a third way between liberalism and conservatism, one which sees theology as critical for public life without privatizing Christianity, on the one hand, or slipping into Constantinianism, on the other.



This Hidden Thing by: Dora Dueck, 2010

This Hidden Thing reminds us how dangerous and powerful secrets can be. This lyrical and moving novel offers one woman's compelling, ordinary, and surprising life.



**Favoured among Women:
A Biographical Novel**

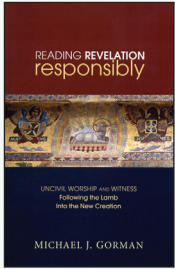
by Hedy Leonora Martens, 2010.

This vibrant and unusual re-creation of one woman's life is the result of years of painstaking research and interviews. *Favoured among Women* combines biography, personal reflection, poetry, historical commentary, and (above all) vivid storytelling.

New Resources

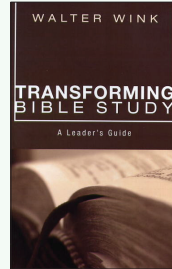
We average 3 new resources daily.

Check www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/480 for a complete listing



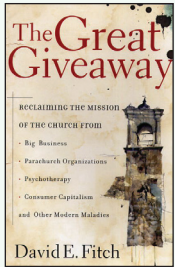
Reading Revelation Responsibly: Uncivil Worship and Witness: Following the Lamb into the New Creation
by Michael J. Gorman, Cascade Books, 2011.

This is for those who are confused by, afraid of, and/or preoccupied with the book of Revelation. Rather than a script for the end times, Gorman demonstrates how Revelation is a script for Christian worship, witness, and mission that runs counter to culturally embedded civil religion.



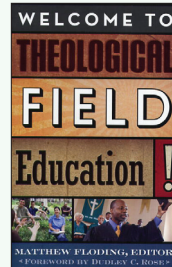
Transforming Bible Study: A Leader's Guide (Second edition)
by Walter Wink Wipf and Stock Publishers.

If you are involved in clergy or lay study groups, teaching a church class, or conducting a prison ministry, Wink's study will open the door to a radically new understanding of the Bible. In the end, the transformation of study methods will lead to the transformation of participants.



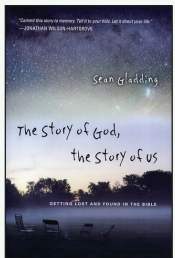
The Great Giveaway: Reclaiming the Mission of the Church
by David E. Fitch, BakerBooks, 2005.

Examines the many practices of the church, details how each has been compromised by modernity, and offers suggestions for how the church might recover these practices in a biblically faithful manner.



Welcome to Theological Field Education!
ed Matthew Floding, Alban Institute, 2011.

Field education is an opportunity for students to develop ministry skills, practice ministerial reflection, discern their call, experience professional collegiality, and undergo personal transformation. Field education offers them a place to practice ministry and a space to reflect on it, to integrate theory and practice, and grow towards competency.



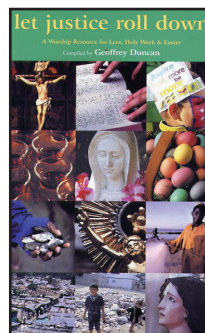
The Story of God, the Story of us: Getting Lost and Found in the Bible
by Sean Gladding, InterVarsity Press, 2010.

Sean Gladding takes us between the lines of Scripture to listen in on the conversations of people wrestling with the Story we have received. Sitting around a campfire in Babylon, reclining at table in Asia Minor, huddled together by candlelight in Rome, we meet people encountering the Story for the first and for the hundred-and-first time.

Congratulations to Michael Turman of Kitchener, ON who won last month's contest and a copy of the book Common Prayer: A Liturgy for Ordinary Radicals by Shane Claiborne, et al.



Contest co-sponsored by CMU Bookstore and MC Canada.



This month's prize

Let Justice Roll Down: A Worship Resource for Lent, Holy Week and Easter,
ed Geoffrey Duncan

This month's question

Lent begins March 9. Is there a book or film that is on your "to read/to see" list for this coming season?

Email your response to:

resources@mennonitechurch.ca, with "March Contest" in subject line.

To be eligible:

Contestant must be an online subscriber, and a Canadian resident.

Entries are due within 48 hours of receiving electronic notice of this update.

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