

WORSHIP RESOURCES

Sunday School Promotion
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Sept 11 – Christian Formation Sunday
www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/1568

Sept 18 – International Day of Peace
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Oct 2 – World Communion Sunday
www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/1572

Oct 30 – Mennonite Heritage Sunday
www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/1569

Nov 6 – Peace Sunday
www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/1570

Nov 13 – Mission Sunday
www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/1571

Nov 27 – First Advent
www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/343

Still feel like it's summer?

It's not too late to check our 2011 Summer Reading list - www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/1531





Assembly 2011, update links


Resource Update Online

A list of individual links to each resource in this update is available at www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/1585

MAKE THE MOST OF THIS UPDATE:

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

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

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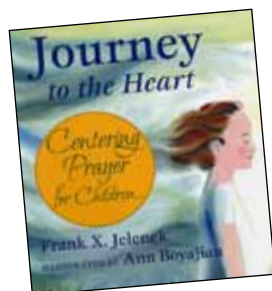
Hundreds of embedded videos, website links, electronic files.

Wide Anabaptist selection, including all MennoMedia titles.

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Children's Corner

home, Sunday School or Sunday morning storyteller



Journey to the Heart: Centring Prayer for Children

by Frank Jelenek and Ann Boyajian, Paraclete Press, 2007.

This simple book uses rhyme and illustrations to teach children how to practice prayer of the heart, contemplative prayer, or "centring prayer." Ideal for parents, teachers, educators - and children ages 3-10.

Website Window

Links worth noting

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



www.anabaptistmissionalproject.org/AMP/AMP_Home.html

Anabaptist Missional Project



<http://anabaptistnetwork.ning.com/>

Anabaptist Network in North America



http://ottercreek.podomatic.com/entry/2011-03-13T19_53_35-07_00

"Out of the Ashes: Salsa and Queso, Salt and Light" by Lee Camp - A powerful audio reflection on Jesus' Sermon on the Mount.



www.goshen.edu/anthem/

National Anthem Conversation at Goshen College. - An extensive multi-month process over whether to play the American national anthem before sporting events at Goshen College. See the arguments for and against, the process itself, and its final result - all applicable to similar church-politics conversations elsewhere.




<http://anisa.org.za/>

ANISA: Anabaptist Network in South Africa



<http://wagingnonviolence.org/>

Waging Non-Violence - A blog that highlights the use of nonviolent methods—such as strikes, boycotts, or sit-ins—by people around the world every day in their struggles for justice, and peace.

 Do you have any sites to recommend?

From our Partners



Watch for a new Bryan Moyer Suderman CD coming soon.

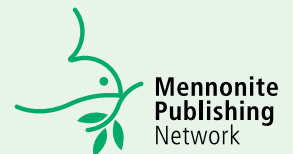
From our Press



1, 2, 3 John

by J.E. McDermond, Herald Press, 2011.

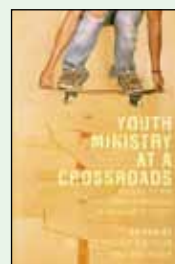
The 24th volume in the Believers' Church Bible Commentary series.



Kids Can Be Blessed

Faith and Life Resources, 2011.

A mid-week clubs program for children that invites them to learn how to put the Beatitudes into practice.



Youth Ministry at a Crossroads: Tending to the Faith Formation of Mennonite Youth,

by Andy Brubacher Kaethler and Bob Yoder, Herald Press, 2011.

Wisdom and encouragement from those who have dedicated themselves to Jesus-centered youth faith formation that encompasses biblical and Anabaptist-Mennonite ways of knowing, being, and doing, all while following the One who offers abundant life.

From our Churches

Original materials from our constituency



Why Not Welcome?

Online 3-minute video.

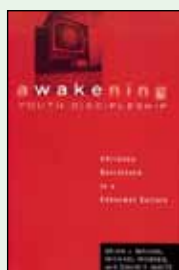
Those crazy folks at Hope Mennonite Church, Winnipeg, have done it again! What if we were to truly follow Jesus' example and welcome every stranger, refugee and alien who crossed our borders?



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

New Resources

We average 3 new resources daily.



Awakening Youth Discipleship: Christian Resistance in a Consumer Culture

by Brian J. Mahan; Michael Warren; David F. White, Cascade Books, 2008

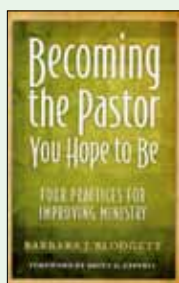
The authors argue that youth ministry has increasingly lost touch with its origins in the way of Jesus and the social practices intrinsic to Christian discipleship, and has instead substituted layers of "Jesus talk," middle class values, fun and games, and doses of "warm fellow-feeling."



Intercultural Marriage: Promises & Pitfalls

by Dugan Romano, Intercultural Press, 2008.

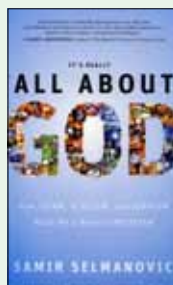
Covering such topics as raising bi-cultural children, religion, values, male vs. female roles, sex and social class, Romano gives voice to hundreds of couples she has interviewed and followed for over a decade.



Becoming the Pastor You Hope to Be: Four Practices for Improving Ministry

by Barbara J. Blodgett, Alban Institute, 2011.

Improvement in ministry, Blodgett argues, comes about not through extraordinary leaps and bounds but rather through adopting simple habits and carrying through on small but thoughtfully made choices.



It's Really All About God: How Islam, Atheism, and Judaism Made Me a Better Christian

by Samir Selmanovic, Jossey-Bass, 2009.

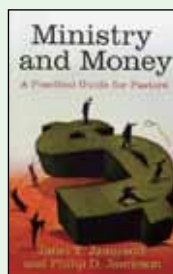
This is a personal story and a moving exploration of a new way of treasuring one's own religion while discovering God, goodness, and grace in others and in their traditions.



Economy of Love

by Darin Petersen, Relational Tithes, 2010.

In this five-week study, unpack what the patterns of God's kingdom look like compared to the patterns of our world. What is the value of enough, and how do we become more like the God who is close to the poor, the hungry, the meek, and the merciful?



Ministry and Money: a Practical Guide for Pastors

by Janet T. Jamieson; Philip D. Jamieson, Westminster John Knox Press, 2009.

The authors provide biblical, historical, and theological perspectives on money.



Enter the story: 7 Experiences To Unlock The Bible For Your Students

by Michael Novelli, Zondervan, 2010.

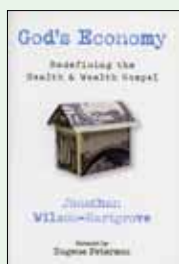
Offers experiential learning and detailed instructions to effectively prepare experiences on creation, separation, wanderings, the tabernacle, God's Kingdom, the cross, and restoration.



Playing Together as a Worship Band: Maranatha!

Praise Band with Angela Dean and Bobby Brock, Zondervan, 2003.

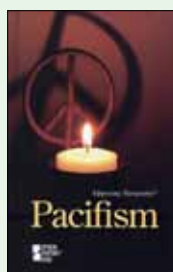
This book lays the basics for effective team ministry. Whatever role you play in your church's worship ministry - leader, director, instrumentalist, vocalist, or sound technician - you will learn the essentials for building a cohesive sound.



God's Economy: Redefining the Health & Wealth Gospel

by Jonathan Wilson-Hartgrove, Zondervan, 2009.

From your human relationships to your spiritual life, this practical guide cuts through the clutter and invites you to discover what can happen when you invest in God's Economy.



Pacifism: Opposing Viewpoints Series

by Noah Berlatsky, Greenhaven Press, 2011.

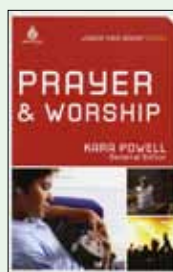
The essays, including one from Mennonite Church Canada, explore the conflict between pacifism and realism, both in a religious and a secular context.



Inhabiting the Church: Biblical Wisdom for a New Monasticism

by Jon Stock; Tim Otto; Jonathan Wilson-Hartgrove, Cascade Books, 2007.

From their location in new monastic communities, the authors ask what the church can learn from St. Benedict's vows of conversion, obedience, and stability, a message of good news for the whole world.



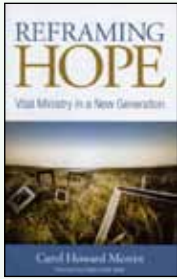
Prayer & Worship: Junior High Group Study edited

by Kara Powell, Gospel Light, 2010.

Through Scripture study, fun activities, stories and discussion, tweens will learn about prayer and worship - and be motivated to make them a part of their spiritual life.

New Resources

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Reframing Hope: Vital Ministry in a New Generation

by Carol Howard Merritt, Alban Institute, 2010.

We are not creating from nothing the vital ministry of the next generation. Instead, we are working through what we have, sorting out the best parts, acknowledging and healing from the worst, and reframing it all.



You're Hired!: Looking for Work in all the Right Places

by Wally Kroeker, Mennonite Economic Development Association, 2009.

Today's youth face many work choices as they enter the job market – up to 20,000 occupations. This short career guide aims to help young people see their careers through Christian eyes and make a difference in the world.



The Pastor: A Memoir

by Eugene H. Peterson, HarperCollins, 2011.

A personal memoir that offers a beautiful rendering of a life tied to the physical world—the land, the holy space, the people—that shaped Peterson's pastoral vocation as well as his faith.



Serving as a Board Member: Training for Churches and Christian Agencies DVD

by John Pellowe, Canadian Council of Christian Charities, 2010.

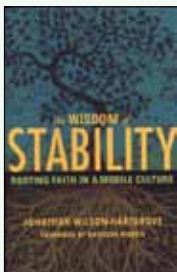
Will help directors shorten the learning curve and improve their governance skills. It is a great board orientation tool for new board members and an excellent refresher for directors with more experience.



The Praise and Worship Team Instant Tune-Up

by Doug Flather; Tami Flather, Zondervan, 2002.

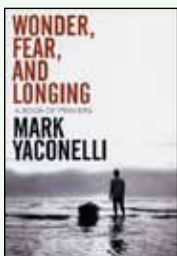
The next best thing to having a seasoned professional director coach your team personally through all the ins and outs of 'praise and worship' ministry!



The Wisdom of Stability: Rooting Faith in a Mobile Culture

by Jonathan Wilson-Hartgrove, Paraclete Press, 2010.

A book about staying put and paying attention, of learning the wisdom of stability, a rootedness that most of us sense we are missing in our hurry to keep up amid constant change.



Wonder, Fear, and Longing: A Book of Prayers

by Mark Yaconelli, Zondervan, 2009.

In our hectic lives, it's easy to forget that prayer is more about a conversation and experience with God than it is a request line. This book is an invitation to meaningful prayer.

it's epic remembering God's future

Assembly 2011, Waterloo ON

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the 48hr contest

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