

RESOURCE UPDA

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WORSHIP RESOURCES

May 6 – Many Peoples Sunday www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/1691

May 27 - Pentecost www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/164

Baptism

www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/968

Graduation

www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/969

Camp Sunday

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Summer worship

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Assembly Sunday

www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/1748

Online

resource in this Update

Resource Update

A list of individual links to each www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/1383

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

OPEN SOURCE CHURCH

The Resource Centre has hundreds of free electronic files from people just like you. They're downloaded daily – as many as 100,000 times each year.

Do you have an original resource to share?

- Lenten materials from this past season
- Poetry, prayers, dramas, etc.
- Pastoral helps (eg. pre-marital counseling outline/sessions, catechism materials)
- Church picnic ideas/services
- Ways your congregation incorporates technology in worship/education
- Process of gift discernment in your congregation

Please forward your original resources electronically to resources@mennonitechurch.ca.

For more information, see www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/1082

From Our Congregations

Revelation 4-5: A Readers' Theatre

by Paul Reimer, 2012.

A dramatic readers' theatre sketch for 5 voices on the Revelation 4-5 texts.

Children's Corner

For library, home or Sunday morning storyteller



Take Me to the Water: God's Love Flows

Faith and Life Resources, 2012.

Children ages 4 through grade 8 will dive into stories from the Bible that use water to show God's gift of life and blessing! Children will explore the use of water in Bible times, as well as water issues around the world today. As they participate in lively worship, music, Bible memory and creative response activities, children will understand that God is the source of life. Just as God provided life-giving water in these stories, God continues to be the source of life and sustenance for us today!

Website Window

Links worth noting

Our catalogue links you to many websites

- here are some recent additions:



Where are the Children? Healing the Legacy of the Residential Schools

An online place of learning and reconciliation.



8th Fire: Aboriginal Peoples, Canada, and the Way Forward

A four-part CBC documentary that invites non-Indigenous Canadians to "meet their aboriginal neighbours."



Theatre of the Beat

A traveling Mennonite theatre troupe who collaborate to create meaningful theatre that both challenges and inspires a social consciousness and just peace. Book a performance!



Michael Pollen's Food Rules

An animated online video that surveys the topic of organic food versus industrial food in a visually interesting way.



Brokenhead Sojourn

Blog by Marcus Rempel.



Do you have any sites to recommend?

Several recent online resources from our Area Churches

Music Resources from Mennonite Church Manitoba

Downloadable audio files from Mennonite artists.

What is a Mennonite?: Faith, Mennonite Church Eastern Canada ed: Lisa Williams.

What do Mennonites say about faith? Is it relevant today? Take a listen...

<u>Pilgrimage Project</u>

Mennonite Church British Columbia.

A series of short, online videos highlighting the work and ministry of MCBC leaders.

Non-English Resources

Several bibliographies of French Anabaptist resources:



Chantanabaptiste. A bibliography of French Anabaptist worship resources.



Bibliographie anabaptiste francophone



Paris Mennonite Centre



Editions Mennonites



Collection Perspectives anabaptistes

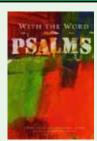
For other French language resources, see www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/1746.

From our Partners

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From our Press

New from Menno Media



With the Word:

A Bible study and devotional series that explores specific books of the Bible from an Anabaptist perspective. Great for adult small group study/discussion.



Kids Can Get it Right

Faith and Life Resources, 2012.

Ten active sessions invite children grades 1-5 to understand how to live in right relationships with each other and with God. Part of the Kids Can series — resources for children's clubs, camp, or other settings.



Dealing with Teenage Pregnancy

Faith and Life Resources, 2012.

The latest brochure in the popular pastoral care series, "Close to Home."



New Resources

We average 3 new resources daily.



Can you hear me?: Tuning in to the God who speaks

by: Brad Jersak, Fresh Wind Press, 2007.

God desires to transform your prayers into intimate conversations, real meetings with a Living Friend. Here Jersak lays out the biblical foundation for the practice of listening prayer.



Conquest: Sexual Violence and American Indian Genocide

by Andrea Smith, South End Press, 2005.

Smith expands our conception of violence beyond residential school abuses to also include the widespread appropriation of Indian cultural practices by whites and other non-Natives, environmental racism, and population control.



Fatty Legs: A True Story

by Christy Jordan-Fenton, Margaret Pokiak-Fenton, illust. by Liz Amini-Holmes, Annick Press, 2010.

An inspiring first-person account of a plucky girl's determination to confront her tormentor at the Residential School. For young readers.



Following Jesus in Invaded Space: Doing Theology in Aboriginal Land

by Chris Budden, Wipf and Stock Publishers, 2011.

Developing a theological method and position that acknowledges the church's role in occupying Aboriginal land in Australia, this book dares to speak of God, church, and justice in the context of past history and continuing dispossession.



Food, Inc.

DVD, Magnolia, 2008.

Filmmaker Robert Kenner lifts the veil on our nation's food industry, exposing the highly mechanized underbelly that has been hidden from the consumer with the consent of the government's regulatory agencies.



George Penner Goes Home to Dolinovka

directed by: Richard Penner, DVD, 2010.

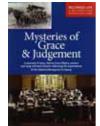
Using personal video footage, Richard Penner gives an idea of how the Mennonites lived under the Soviet System (1988).



Glimpses of Grace: Reflections of a Prison Chaplain

by: Donald Stoesz, Friesenpress, 2010.

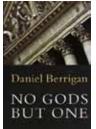
Relates the joys and challenges of a prison chaplain through a series of one-page vignettes. These openended stories are written with a pastor's heart that seeks to minister to the needs and hopes of offenders.



Mysteries of Grace & Judgement

DVD, C to C Productions, 2011.

A Journey of story, letters from Siberia, poetry and song with Jack Dueck, reflecting the experiences of the Mennonite sojourn in Russia.



No Gods But One

by: Daniel Berrigan, Wm. B. Eerdmans, 2009.

In this commentary on Deuteronomy, Berrigan draws clear parallels to the biblical story of mingled triumph and broken law and our own moment in history.



No Time to Say Goodbye: Children's Stories of **Kuper Island Residential School**

by: Sylvia Olsen; Rita Morris; Ann Sam, Sono Nis Press, 2011.

A fictional account of five children sent to Residential School, based on the recollections of a number of Tsartlip First Nations people.



DVD, Equinoxe Films, 2005.

An extremely captivating movie on how a little girl copes with her mother's death.



From Mennonite Church Canada

Assembly Sunday worship materials

Our Assembly theme, *Dusting Off the Bible for the 21st Century* invites us to delight in scripture, and to study and interpret the Bible so that we are all equipped to continue our partnership in God's mission in the world. Plan to use this worship resource - inspired by the theme and scripture texts of our gathered Assembly – prior to the July event as a way to prepare and pray for this important national gathering.

Download here www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/1748



New Resources

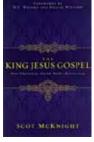
We average 3 new resources daily.



Scattering Seeds: Cultivating Church Vitality

by: Stephen Chapin Ganer; Jerry Thornell, Alban Institute, 2011.

The story of a United Church of Christ congregation that has moved away from a board/committees structure, and instead formed ministry teams where each congregant is seen as a minister.



The King Jesus Gospel: The Original Good News Revisited

by: Scot McKnight, Zondervan, 2011.

Is what many Christians claim to be the gospel really what Jesus and the apostles preached? McKnight opens up the Scriptures to help us revisit the original good news.



Stricken by God?: Nonviolent Identification and the Victory of Christ

ed: Brad Jersak; Michael Hardin, Wm.B.Eerdmans, 2007.

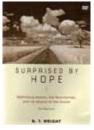
Did God really pour out wrath against sin on his Son to satisfy his own need for justice? Or did God-in-Christ forgive the world even as it unleashed its wrath against him?



The Mill & The Cross

DVD, Mongrel Media 2012.

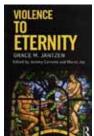
Drama film inspired by Pieter Bruegel the Elder's 1564 painting *The Way to Calvary*, and based on Michael Francis Gibson's book *The Mill and the Cross*.



Surprised by Hope: Rethinking Heaven, the Resurrection, and the Mission of the Church

by: N.T. Wright, DVDs, Zondervan, 2010.

A study on what God's Word has to say about the world to come and the world that is. Ideal for Bible studies, it will give participants a clearer vision both of the future and of God's kingdom at hand today.



Violence to Eternity

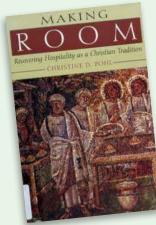
by: Grace M. Jantzen

ed: Jeremy Carrette; Morny Joy. Routledge, 2009.

Jantzen examines the religious roots of death and violence in the Jewish and Christian tradition, which underlie contemporary western values.



Contest co-sponsored by CMU Bookstore and Mennonite Church Canada.



This month's question

What downloadable items from the Resource Centre have you found most helpful?

This month's prize

Making Room: Recovering Hospitality as a Christian Tradition by Christine Pohl.

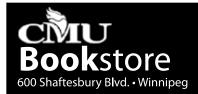
Email your response to: <u>resources@mennonitechurch.ca</u> with "May 2012 Contest" in subject line.

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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