
Adult Education web catalog

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ADULT BIBLE STUDIES

United Methodist Publishing House

CURRICULUM

This quarterly study (thirteen lessons) presents stimulating lessons that explore the biblical message and how to apply it to daily life. Individuals and classes studying from this series will use the International Lessons, also called the Uniform Series. Adults move from a focus on the Word to reflection on personal, family, church, and community concerns.

BEING REFORMED: FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING:

THE CONFESSION OF BELHAR

Rich, Cynthia Holder

Congregational Ministries Publishing, PCUSA, 2011

CURRICULUM

Participant's Book. The Confession of Belhar emerged from South Africa as a witness of Christian faith against the sins of racism and focuses on major themes of unity, reconciliation, and justice. Explore what it means to be a confessional church and to meet and confess our faith in the face of racism in its various forms.

BEING REFORMED: FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING:

STEWARDSHIP OF CREATION

Brinton, Henry G.

Congregational Ministries Publishing, PCUSA, 2010

CURRICULUM

Participant's Book. Christians have a responsibility to make wise use of the environment God has given us. These lessons explore biblical bases for our care of the creation along with sessions on "Being Green" at home, at church, and in the world. The sessions are full of very practical suggestions for ways individuals and churches can be better stewards of the environment, cut energy costs, and practice environmentally-conscious living in a variety of ways.

BEING REFORMED: FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING:

RECOGNIZING GOD'S GRACE

Weeks, Louis B.

Congregational Ministries Publishing, PCUSA, 2010

CURRICULUM

Participant's Book. The grace of God is a very important theological theme. It is central in Reformed theology and helps us understand the nature of God as well as how we receive salvation, and how God wants us to live our lives. These lessons examine grace in the Bible, through Christian history, and Reformed understandings of grace. They then turn to graceful lives today, practicing grace, and amazing grace.

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Hinds, Mark D.

Congregational Ministries Publishing, PCUSA, 2010

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BEING REFORMED: FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING:

SEEKING SOCIAL JUSTICE

Kirkpatrick, Melissa

Congregational Ministries Publishing, PCUSA, 2011

CURRICULUM

Leader's Guide. Focusing on one of the six Great Ends of the Church, Seeking Social Justice will inspire those in faith communities to think critically about the social, economic, and political problems that influence the lives of individuals and our planet.

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WISDOM FROM THE EARLY CHURCH**

Elia, Mary Charlotte & Rebecca Harden Weaver Congregational Ministries Publishing, PCUSA, 2010 CURRICULUM

Participant's Book. The early Christian church had many things to think about, debate and focus on as it grew throughout the Roman Empire. This interesting study discusses the formation of the Christian tradition on major theological issues as the church sought its Christian identity. These issues include forming the Christian Bible, decoding the story, developing a doctrine of God, confessing Christ, building the church, and shaping the Christian life. The authors provide a clear discussion of these topics and also explore the importance of the Christian tradition on these beliefs for today's church and Christian living.

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**BEING REFORMED: FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING:
A BRIEF STATEMENT OF FAITH**

McKim, Donald K. Congregational Ministries Publishing, PCUSA, 2010 CURRICULUM

Participant's Book. This study of A Brief Statement of Faith, added to the Presbyterian Church (USA) Book of Confessions in 1991, explores the meaning of this accessible theological document. The background and context of the Brief Statement is discussed, along with its trinitarian structure, and three main sections.

**BEING REFORMED: FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING:
SEEING JESUS IN JOHN'S GOSPEL**

Hylan, Susan E. Congregational Ministries Publishing, PCUSA, 2011 CURRICULUM

Participant's Book. The Gospel of John, alive with deep and rich theological meanings, focuses on who Jesus is as the Messiah and what it means to believe in him.

**BEING REFORMED: FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING:
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Lien, Boyd Congregational Ministries Publishing, PCUSA, 2011 CURRICULUM

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**BEING REFORMED: FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING:
CHRISTIAN LIVING IN GOD'S SPLENDOR**

Hotz, Kendra G. & Matthew T. Mathews Congregational Ministries Publishing, PCUSA, 2011 CURRICULUM

Participant's Book. Introducing key themes in Reformed understandings of Christian life, this study explores how Christian life can be shaped by our religious affections, participating in a worshipping community, accepting our physicality, dying and rising with Christ, and engaging in vocations that embrace the total web of our relationships.

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BEING REFORMED: FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING: TEMPTATION IN THE DESERT					
		Barnes, M. Craig	Congregational Ministries Publishing, PCUSA, 2011	CURRICULUM	Participant's Book. The story of Jesus' temptations in the wilderness after his baptism offers important instructions for us as we consider our Christian life. This study discusses ways the temptations that faced Jesus are still real for us today. Appropriate for the Lenten season or any time of year.
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BEING REFORMED: FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING: SEVEN DAYS TO GLORY: HOLY WEEK					
		Monie, Blair R.	Congregational Ministries Publishing, PCUSA, 2011	CURRICULUM	Participant's Book. The last week of Jesus' life encompassed some of Christianity's most significant events. Based on the Gospel of Mark, this study looks at each of these days to describe the importance of Jesus' actions at the time, and what they mean for Christian living today. An excellent study for the Lenten season or any time in the church year.
BEING REFORMED: FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING: ENOUGH: GOD'S BLESSINGS IN ABUNDANCE					
		Mendenhall, Laura	Congregational Ministries Publishing, PCUSA, 2011	CURRICULUM	Participant's Book. Explore dimensions of what it means to have enough through the parables of Jesus and other biblical references. This insightful study leads readers to look at what is really most important to have in life God's blessings, which are in abundance, for us.
BEING REFORMED: FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING: SEEKING SOCIAL JUSTICE					
		Hinson-Hasty, Elizabeth	Congregational Ministries Publishing, PCUSA, 2011	CURRICULUM	Participant's Book. Focusing on one of the six Great Ends of the Church, Seeking Social Justice will inspire those in faith communities to think critically about the social, economic, and political problems that influence the lives of individuals and our planet.
BEING REFORMED: FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING: RE-MEMBERING BAPTISM					
		Byars, Ronald P.	Congregational Ministries Publishing, PCUSA, 2011	CURRICULUM	Participant's Book. Explore the theological meanings of baptism in the Reformed and Presbyterian traditions while remembering the ways in which baptism has an ongoing and daily significance for Christians in the church.

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**BEING REFORMED: FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING:
JOHN CALVIN: FOUNDER OF THE REFORMED TRADITION**

Walchenbach, John R. Congregational Ministries Publishing, PCUSA, 2010 CURRICULUM

Participant's Book. Reformed and Presbyterian Christians are always associated with John Calvin. This study by a Calvin expert introduces us to leading ideas in Calvin's theology. It asks, "Why John Calvin?" and moves on to provide an introductory guide to important theological issues in Calvin's thought, including how we know God, what Jesus came to do, election and predestination, Calvin's understanding of the Church and understanding the sacraments.

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Shussett, Steve Congregational Ministries Publishing, PCUSA, 2010 CURRICULUM

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**BEING REFORMED: FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING:
CHURCH HISTORY: THOSE WHO SHAPED THE CHRISTIAN FAITH**

Hansen, Gary Neal Congregational Ministries Publishing, PCUSA, 2011 CURRICULUM

Participant's Book. This study explores the history of the Christian church through a panoramic view of major figures and theological beliefs. Both women and men are represented, and attention is given to subjects important to the shaping of the Reformed tradition.

**BEING REFORMED: FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING:
FAITH, HOPE, LOVE, AND WITNESS**

Lien, Boyd Congregational Ministries Publishing, PCUSA, 2011 CURRICULUM

Leader's Guide. The PC(USA) Form of Government. An excellent introduction to the new form of church government written in accessible language, this study explains core affirmations and the foundations of Presbyterian polity.

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Hooker, Paul K. Congregational Ministries Publishing, PCUSA, 2011 CURRICULUM

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BELIEVING IN JESUS CHRIST

Van Dyk, Leanne Geneva Press, 2002 BOOK

Foundations of Christian Faith Series. In this brief and accessible volume, Leanne Van Dyk examines the person and work of Jesus Christ and discusses what the church teaches about Jesus. Van Dyk offers a clear explanation of salvation and presents theories of how we receive salvation through Jesus' death and resurrection. In addition, she explores the significance of salvation for how we as a Christian community live out our faith in Jesus Christ.

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BELIEVING IN JESUS CHRIST: WE BELIEVE					
ADULT STUDY GUIDE					
	Van Dyk, Leanne		Congregational Ministries PC(USA), 2004	BOOK	Foundations of Christian Faith Series. Van Dyk writes in clear language to offer ways to help us express what it means to believe in Jesus Christ. She describes the person and work of Jesus Christ and how the church's understanding of atonement has changed through the ages. Most important, perhaps, she helps us to see why the way we understand our relationship to Christ makes a difference in the world today.
CHRISTIAN LIFE					
A GEOGRAPHY OF GOD					
	Lindvall, Michael L.		Geneva Press, 2001	BOOK	Foundations of Christian Faith Series. This book describes the life of a Christian as a journey divided into three parts: "Leaving for Home," "The Way" and "Life on the Road", full of mile-markers, road signs, warning of perilous curves, refreshment, and lovely things to be seen hinting about what readers may experience during their journey.
CHRISTIAN LIFE: WE BELIEVE					
ADULT STUDY GUIDE					
	Lindvall, Michael L.		Congregational Ministries PC(USA), 2003	BOOK	Foundations of Christian Faith Series.
CHRISTIAN LIVING IN THE MATURE YEARS					
			United Methodist Publishing House	PERIODICAL	Quarterly periodical designed to help persons in and nearing the retirement years understand and appropriate the resources of the Christian Faith in dealing with specific problems and opportunities relating to aging.
CHRISTIAN WORSHIP: GLORIFYING AND ENJOYING GOD					
	Byars, Ronald P.		Geneva Press, 2000	BOOK	Foundations of Christian Faith Series. Commissioned by the Office of Theology and Worship of the Presbyterian Church (USA), this resource presents the importance of worship and the sacraments for contemporary faith.
CHRISTIAN WORSHIP: WE BELIEVE					
ADULT STUDY GUIDE					
	Byars, Ronald P.		Congregational Ministries PC(USA), 2004	BOOK	Foundations of Christian Faith Series.
CREATION AND LAST THINGS					
AT THE INTERSECTION OF THEOLOGY AND SCIENCE					
	Cootsona, Gregory S.		Geneva Press, 2002	BOOK	Foundations of Christian Faith Series. Copy 3.
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CREATION AND LAST THINGS

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<p>Foundations of Christian Faith Series. This book explores the doctrines of creation and eschatology in the light of contemporary science. The author addresses the relationship between creation in the beginning and the new creation at the end of time, how the doctrine of creation informs our lives as Christians and how we grow in faith and love in light of these doctrines.</p>		

CREATION AND LAST THINGS: WE BELIEVE

ADULT STUDY GUIDE

Cootsona, Gregory S.	Congregational Ministries PC(USA), 2004	BOOK
<p>Foundations of Christian Faith Series.</p>		

HOLY SPIRIT

Elass, Mateen	Geneva Press, 2005	BOOK
<p>Foundations of Christian Faith Series. Commissioned by the Office of Theology and Worship, PCUSA, the author provides a lucid explanation of the identity and work of the Holy Spirit, the Spirit's relationship to the living and written Word, and the Spirit's role in the church and the world.</p>		

HOLY SPIRIT: WE BELIEVE

ADULT STUDY GUIDE

Elass, Mateen	Congregational Ministries PC(USA), 2005	BOOK
<p>Foundations of Christian Faith Series. Adult Study Guide to The Holy Spirit, by Mateen Elass. Divided into 12 sessions.</p>		

NEW CHURCH FOR A NEW WORLD

Buchanan, John M.	Geneva Press, 2008	BOOK
<p>Foundations of Christian Faith Series. Commissioned by the Office of Theology and Worship of the Presbyterian Church (USA), the author of this resource describes historical and cultural changes impacting the church and invites us to be open to what God might be calling the church to be in our time and beyond.</p>		

RYTHYM OF DISCIPLESHIP

Ivory, Luther D.	Geneva Press, 2008	BOOK
<p>Foundations of Christian Faith Series. Commissioned by the Office of Theology and Worship, PCUSA, this resource calls Christians to live out the Christian life in community. The author contends that as we follow our unique calls, we are also responsible in community to work together to establish justice and righteousness.</p>		

SEARCHING FOR TRUTH

CONFESSING CHRIST IN AN UNCERTAIN WORLD

Currie, III, Thomas W.	Geneva Press/ Office of Theology	BOOK
<p>Foundations of Christian Faith Series. The book is a clear treatment, in non-technical language, of the challenge and difficulty of claiming and trusting the truthfulness of the gospel in a time when all such truth claims are suspect. Thomas W. Currie, III is pastor of First Presbyterian Church in Kerrville, TX.</p>		

SEARCHING FOR TRUTH: WE BELIEVE

ADULT STUDY GUIDE

Currie, III, Thomas W.	PCUSA	BOOK
<p>Foundations of Christian Faith Series. Adult Study Guide to " Searching for Truth". This book is a clear treatment, in non-technical language, of the challenge and difficulty of claiming and trusting the truthfulness of the gospel in time when all such truth claims are suspect.</p>		

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TRINITY

Butin, Philip W.	Geneva Press, 2001			BOOK
Foundations of Christian Faith Series. Copy 2.				

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Butin, Philip W.	Geneva Press, 2001			BOOK
Foundations of Christian Faith Series. Commissioned by the Office of Theology and Worship, PCUSA, this resource discusses the importance of the doctrine of the Trinity for contemporary faith. It explores the development of the doctrine of the Trinity in church history, discusses modern issues and developments, and speaks practically about the significance of this doctrine for the Christian life.				

TRINITY: WE BELIEVE

ADULT STUDY GUIDE

Butin, Philip W.	Congregational Ministries PC(USA), 2004			BOOK
Foundations of Christian Faith Series.				

WHAT IT MEANS TO BE HUMAN

LIVING WITH OTHERS BEFORE GOD

Bartel, Michelle J.	Geneva Press, 2001			BOOK
Foundations of Christian Faith Series. This book is a clear treatment, in nontechnical language, of the Christian doctrine of anthropology. It describes human beings as created by God and defined by relationships, with God and others.				

WHAT IT MEANS TO BE HUMAN

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Bartel, Michelle J.	Geneva Press, 2001			BOOK
Foundations of Christian Faith Series. In this volume, author Michelle Bartel will help you and your group to think through the following question from a perspective faithful to the Reformed tradition: What does it mean to be human? Bartel explains that there is no self-fulfillment apart from God and those others whom God has given us as a worshipping community.				

WHAT IT MEANS TO BE HUMAN? BELIEVE

ADULT STUDY GUIDE

Bartel, Michelle J.	Geneva Press, 2001			BOOK
Foundations of Christian Faith Series. The study guide 'suggests' an eight-week format, but also offers four supplemental studies for those groups that prefer a twelve-week format. Each week there are a number of discussion questions, scriptural references, confessional references, and ideas for discussion. The objective of the study guide is to lift up the content raised in the book.				