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New Titles Catalogue Autumn 2009

Anabaptism

JUMPING INTO EMPTY SPACE

A Reluctant Mennonite Businessman Serves in Paraguay's Presidential Cabinet

Ernst Bergen

9781561486540 Pandora Press (2008), 204pp £14.50

Recommended reading for Mennonite World Conference, *Jumping into Empty Space: A Reluctant Mennonite Businessman Serves in Paraguay's Presidential Cabinet* tells two stories: the beginning of a remarkable economic turn-around in a battered country at the hand of this fearless business strategist; and the emergence of a true leader, told with unusual honesty, wisdom, and faith.

PRACTICES

Mennonite Work and Worship

John D Roth

9780836194272 Herald Press (2009), 250pp £12.95

In *Practices: Mennonite Worship and Witness*, John D Roth examines the traditions of Anabaptist-Mennonite worship. These practices, he argues, are part of an essential unity that transforms and renews the people of God and calls them to lives of integrity that are embodied with discipleship and mission. Roth reflects on how distinctive Mennonite practices such as baptism, communion, foot washing, and common meals extend beyond the church as a witness to the world. Practices is Roth's third book on Mennonite life in the 21st century, following *Beliefs: Mennonite Faith and Practice* (2005), and *Stories: How Mennonites Came to Be* (2007).

REMEMBER US

Letters from Stalin's Gulag (1930-37) Volume one: The Regehr Family

Ruth Derksen Siemens

9781894710824 Pandora Press (2008), 408pp £22.00

"Remember us as we remember you" – the plea from a father for his family imprisoned in Stalin's Gulag. Sending his letter "abroad" is a crime. Yet this letter (and 463 others) travels to a tiny prairie town in Canada. From 1930-37, letters from a nine-year old girl, from her siblings and parents found a corridor out of Russia to the forbidden West. Written by Russian Mennonites, the letters were stored in a Campbell's Soup box. Moving from attic to attic for almost 60 years, they were finally discovered in 1989. The letters in this volume have been written by one family: Jasch and Maria Regehr and their children. Subsequent volumes will include letters written by other prisoners and exiled families.

See Times Review: www.timesonline.co.uk/tol/news/world/europe/article6374293.ece?token=null&offset=0&page=1

Biblical Studies

DIVINE PRESENCE AMID VIOLENCE

Contextualizing the Book of Joshua

Walter Brueggemann

9781606080894 Wipf & Stock (2009), 95pp £9.95

"Like Jacob wrestling with the man all night, Walter Brueggemann struggles with texts of divine violence and wrings from them a blessing. He draws together materialist and literary approaches to discover God's violence subtly and indirectly employed on behalf of the dominated against dominators. The book is a brilliant primer in persuasive, open-ended theological interpretation. It will help pastors, students, and anyone who would like to join the hot debate about violence and the God of the Bible." — Kathleen M. O'Connor, William Marcellus McPheeters Professor of Old Testament, Columbia Theological Seminary

THE FIRST PAUL

Reclaiming the radical visionary behind the Church

Marcus J Borg & John Dominic Crossan

9780281061587 SPCK (2009), 240pp £8.99

Marcus J Borg and John Dominic Crossan use the best of biblical and historical scholarship to present a new understanding of the apostle Paul and his influence on early Christianity.

For many, Paul has become a conservative icon whose letters have been used to justify systems of oppression – for example, endorsing slavery and subordinating women. But is this a true reading of Paul's letters?

These highly respected authors turn the common perception of Paul on its head, and reveal him as a radical follower of Jesus whose core message is still relevant today.

THE GREEN BIBLE NRSV

A Priceless Message that Doesn't Cost the Earth

9780007289974 Harper (2009), 1312pp £12.99

"*The Green Bible* is perfect for anyone interested in what the Bible has to say about the environment.

It shows that God is green, and explains how we can care for and protect God's creation.

- The first Bible in the UK to be printed on environmentally sustainable FSC paper
- Foreword by Archbishop Desmond Tutu
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- Over 1,000 passages about creation care are highlighted in green ink
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As you read *The Green Bible* starting in Genesis, you will see that after God created birds, fish and animals he created humans to be his viceroys and to act 'compassionately and gently' towards all forms of life. We can be wantonly irresponsible, or we can be caring and compassionate. God says: I put before you a choice. Choose life." — Desmond Tutu

IN THE BEGINNING, GOD

God: Creation, Culture, and the Spiritual

Marva J Dawn

9780830837076 InterVarsity Press US (2009), 128pp £8.99

With the grace and insight for which she is known, Marva Dawn shows how the opening pages of the book of Genesis rivet our attention on

God, calling us to worship and to praise. The repeated words, phrases, and actions themselves beckon us into a rhythm of worship which touches our very souls.

By focusing on God, we become different people — not by trying to perfect a technique or follow a set of rules, but by allowing who God is to form who we are. As a result, our attitudes and actions change toward the world God has created. Our desire for justice swells. Relationships between men and women are transformed.

ISAIAH

Believers Church Bible Commentary

Ivan Friesen

9780836194401 Herald Press (2009), 500pp £29.99

Ivan Friesen explores how the interpretation of the book of Isaiah is carried out and lived out today in faith communities where the Bible is the bedrock of faith and life. Such an interpretation combines the concerns of pastoral care with the distress and uncertainty of prophetic action.

The commentary groups the sixty-six chapters of Isaiah into six distinct but continuous parts. Each part may be explored as one might explore the room of a house. The furnishings (themes) in each room are different, but the decor (structure) of the house combines to lend to the book an overall unity of purpose. The architecture of the book as a whole has distinct features that include words of judgment as well as words of promise announcing a new day dawning. In this new day dawning, there are strong elements of a messianic hope.

THE WAR OF THE LAMB

The Ethics of Nonviolence and Peacemaking

John Howard Yoder; Glen Stassen, Mark Thiessen Nation,

Matt Hampsher (Eds)

9781587432606 Brazos Press (2009), 240pp £24.95

John Howard Yoder was one of the major theologians of the late twentieth century. Before his death, he planned the essays and structure of this book, which he intended to be his last work. Now two leading interpreters of Yoder bring the work to fruition.

The book is divided into three sections: pacifism, just war theory, and just peacemaking theory. The volume crystallizes Yoder's argument that his proposed Christian ethics was/is not sectarian and a matter of withdrawal. He also clearly argues that Christian just war and Christian pacifist traditions are basically compatible — and more specifically, that the Christian just war tradition itself presumes against all violence.

Christian Life

CYNICISM AND HOPE

Reclaiming Discipleship in a Postdemocratic Society

Meg E Cox (Ed.)

9781606082140 Wipf & Stock (2009), 136pp £16.50

On the morning after they walked for miles through freezing rain to a prayer vigil outside the White House in March 2007, a group of young war protesters listened to one last speech before heading home to Chicago. Peter Dula, who had served with the Mennonite Central Committee in Iraq, spoke honestly about the caustic combination of guilt and disempowerment the protesters were struggling with. He commended protesting and suggested resisting war taxes, then made two

surprising final recommendations: ride a bike and plant a garden. Electrified by Dula's speech, the group hosted a conference at Reba Place Church. This volume is a collection of the major addresses from that conference. The contributors suggest a new way to live in the tension between hope that things will improve and cynicism about whether they ever will. While creating space for lament, they point toward a radical Christian faithfulness in neighbourhoods and congregations that can be both hopeful and profoundly political.

JUST WAR AS CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

Centering the Tradition in the Church rather than the State

Daniel M Bell

9781587432255 Brazos Press (2009), 272pp £21.95

This provocative and timely primer on the just war tradition connects just war to the concrete practices and challenges of the Christian life. Daniel Bell explains that the point is not simply to know the just war tradition but to live it even in the face of the tremendous difficulties associated with war. He shows how just war practice, if it is to be understood as a faithful form of Christian discipleship, must be rooted in and shaped by the fundamental convictions and confessions of the faith. The book includes a foreword by an Army chaplain who has served in Iraq and study questions for group use.

LIVING ON HOPE WHILE LIVING IN BABYLON

The Christian Anarchists of the 20th Century

Tripp York

9781556356858 Wipf & Stock (2009), 138pp £12.95

In *Living on Hope While Living in Babylon*, Tripp York examines a few twentieth century Christians who lived such a witness, including the Berrigan brothers, Dorothy Day, and Eberhard Arnold. These witnesses can be viewed as anarchical in the sense that their loyalty to Christ undermines the pseudo-soteriological myth employed by the state. While these Christians have been labelled pilgrims, revolutionaries, nomads, subversives, agitators, and now, anarchists, they are more importantly seekers of the peace of the city whose chief desire is for those belonging to the temporal cities to be able to participate in the eternal city — the city of God. By examining their ideas and their actions, this book will attempt to understand how the politics of the church — an apocalyptic politic — is necessary for the church to understand her mission as bearer of the gospel.

THE ORDINARY HERO

Living the Cross and Resurrection

Tim Chester

9781844743773 IVP (2009), 224pp £8.99

A hard-hitting book showing how the cross and resurrection provide the pattern for Christian discipleship today. Allowing the cross and resurrection to shape our lives enables us to become exceptional, special, heroic. This is life with real meaning, life with a purpose.

Church

CHURCH AS A SAFE PLACE

Confronting, Resolving and Minimizing Abuse in the Church

Peter R Holmes & Susan B. Williams

9781860246036 Authentic (2008), 330pp £8.99

A thorough and well-researched seven-part handbook of how to make the church a safer place by addressing the issue of spiritual abuse.

We are all looking for relationships and environments that are safe, that give us life. Sadly however, many people suffer as a result of the failure to create a safe place within the church environment.

Drawing upon the authors' experience in counselling those who have suffered spiritual abuse, *Church as a Safe Place* offers help to those who are victims of abuse or anyone committed to ensuring that church is a 'safe' place.

Conflict Mediation/VORP

THE MYTH OF THE SHIKSA AND OTHER ESSAYS

Edwin H Friedman

9781596270770 Seabury Press (2008), 225pp £22.50

"Why did I give advice to Eve instead of going directly to Adam? I knew I would never be able to stop the Creator's overall plan, but I thought I might really be able to frustrate it if I could screw up some relationships." So speaks Satan as The First Family Counsellor in this new collection of Edwin Friedman's most popular essays, edited by his daughter, Shira Friedman Bogart.

Friedman's signature wit and playfulness goes straight to the heart of human relationships from one generation to another.

Throughout his life, Friedman eloquently applied the insights of family therapy to churches and synagogues, rectors and rabbis, politicians and teachers, and his humour, sense of paradox, and unique style of storytelling were trademarks of his teaching style.

PROMISE AND PERIL

Understanding and Managing Change and Conflict in Congregations

David R Brubaker

9781566993821 Alban Inst (2009), 160pp £12.25

In *Promise and Peril: Understanding and Managing Change and Conflict in Congregations*, David Brubaker brings the tools of organisational theory and research to the task of understanding the deeper dynamics of congregational conflict. With a doctorate in sociology and more than twenty years working with congregational conflicts, Brubaker helps to explore the causes and effects of conflicts on a wide range of congregations.

This book will help congregations avoid the pitfalls of conflict and instead head toward a healthy relationship between and among church staff and members.

WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO WITH THE REST OF YOUR LIFE?

Edwin H Friedman

9781596271142 Seabury Press (2009), 224pp £22.50

Whether he is interviewing God ("I must be the first since Moses to be allowed into your presence"), preaching on "marriage as music," or reflecting on a visit to his parents' grave, Friedman always has the power to surprise us and invite us to change. This new collection of Edwin Friedman's writings, most of them unpublished, reveal a different side of this rabbi, teacher, and leadership coach who caused a revolution in viewing human relationships with *Generation to Generation*.

Organized into life stages, specifically the journey from young adulthood to maturity and death, *What Are You Going to Do with Your Life?* captures Friedman's signature wit and playfulness as he cuts straight to the heart of human growth and relationships.

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CHRIST, HISTORY AND APOCALYPTIC

The Politics of Christian Mission

Nathan Kerr

9781606081990 Wipf & Stock (2009), 222pp £21.25

"A rare gift — a critic from whom you learn. Though I do not agree with all of his criticisms of my work, Kerr — drawing imaginatively and creatively on the work of Troeltsch and Barth — has rightly framed the questions central to my and Yoder's project. We are in his debt for having done so. In this book, Kerr not only establishes himself as one of the most able readers of my and Yoder's work, but he is clearly a theologian in his own right. We will have much to learn from him in the future." — Stanley Hauerwas

THE FORGOTTEN WAYS HANDBOOK

A Practical Guide for Developing Missional Churches

Darryn Altclass and Alan Hirsch

9781587432491 Brazos Press (2009), 176pp £14.75

In his best-selling missional book *The Forgotten Ways*, internationally known missional church expert Alan Hirsch offered a vision for the future growth of the church coming about by harnessing the power of the early church. *The Forgotten Ways Handbook* now moves beyond theory to practice, offering ways for any missionally minded person to apply the ideas contained in *The Forgotten Ways* to their life and ministry.

This intensely practical handbook includes many helpful tools: summary sections encapsulating the ideas contained in each chapter in a popular way; suggested practices to help readers embed missional paradigms concretely; and adult learning-based techniques and examples from other churches and organizations that enable readers to process and assimilate the ideas in a group context.

JESUS MATTERS

Good News for the 21st Century

James Krabill & David W Shenk (Eds)

9780836194487 Herald Press (2009), 250pp £16.95

Jesus Christ is popular with most North Americans, but is he the Jesus of the Scripture whom we honor? This book commends the Jesus of the Bible to North American Christians. Each author works with one or more young adults to consider the various ways Christians encounter and experience Jesus. Topics include Jesus and creation, Jesus and the cross, Jesus and salvation, Jesus and mission, and Jesus and the future. Authors include Stanley Green, Michele Hershberger, Mark Thiessen Nation, Willard Swartley, Jack Suderman and April Yamasaki. Foreword by Shane Claiborne.

NOW GO FORWARD

Reaching Out to Grow Your Congregation

J David Eshleman

9780836194456 Herald Press (2009), 300pp £19.95

For five decades, J David Eshleman's passion has been to bring unchurched people to healthy congregations. By encouraging and equipping believers and pastors to reach out to neighbours in the communities around their church buildings, Eshleman has helped numerous churches grow from a few dozen members to, in some cases, several hundred. This book challenges congregations to make disciples not just around the world but in their own backyards.

WORSHIP AND MISSION AFTER CHRISTENDOM

Alan Kreider and Eleanor Kreider

9781842276815 Paternoster (Oct 2009), 300pp £12.99

Weaving together the three strands of worship, mission and post-Christendom creates a colourful tapestry. What is worship like in post-Christendom? How is God's mission active in the world today? An exposition of Paul's ideas on worship and mission in 1 Corinthians 11 – 14 provides a warp on which the authors build a weft of conviction that worshipping the missional God transforms the worshippers, the church, and the world. Transformed lives attract outsiders to join in the worship. Here is a vision for Christians today, rooted in ancient history and present-day experience, and offering realistic ideas and encouraging examples.

Alan and Eleanor Kreider are Mennonite Christians in the Anabaptist tradition who have lived on both sides of the Atlantic, studied the worship and witness of the Christians of the early centuries, and worshipped and worked missionally alongside Christians of many traditions.

A sample chapter can be found at www.anabaptistnetwork.com/node/523.

Peace

CHRISTIAN ATTITUDES TO WAR, PEACE AND REVOLUTION

John Howard Yoder, TJ Koontz & A Lexis-Baker (Eds)

9781587432316 Brazos Press (2009), 480pp £36.95

John Howard Yoder was one of the most important thinkers on just war and pacifism in the late twentieth century. This newly compiled collection of Yoder's lectures and writings on these issues describes, analyses, and evaluates various patterns of thought and practice in Western Christian history. The volume, now made widely available for the first time, makes Yoder's stimulating insights more accessible to a broader audience and substantially contributes to ongoing discussions concerning the history, theology, and ethics of war and peace. Theologians and ethicists, students of Yoder's thought, and all readers seeking a better understanding of war and pacifism will value this work.

CHRISTIAN ATTITUDES TOWARD WAR AND PEACE (BAINTON)

A Historical Survey and Critical Re-evaluation

Rowland H Bainton

9781556357886 Wipf & Stock (2008), 299pp £35.75

Any scholarship that addresses the evolution of Christian perspectives on warfare generally references this book, first published in 1960. Although the scholarship of this work is now outdated and critiqued, Bainton's work is foundational in the area. Bainton believes that the Christian community started out pacifistic, then developed the just war doctrine, and finally adopted holy war ideals. He traces this trajectory from the Early Church up through the wars and conflicts of the 20th century. Finally, Bainton adds his critique of current militaristic ideas, especially in regards to atomic warfare.

FRANZ JAGERSTATTER

Letters and Writings from Prison

Erna Putz (Ed.)

9781570758263 Orbis (2009), 260pp £16.99

Franz Jägerstätter, an Austrian farmer, devoted husband and father, and devout Catholic, was executed in 1943 for refusing to serve in the Nazi army. Before taking this stand Jägerstätter had consulted both his pastor and his local bishop, who instructed him to do his duty and to obey the law – an instruction that violated his conscience.

These writings, including the correspondence between Franz and his wife Franziska and a series of reflections written in prison, represent the first complete English translation of his writings. An introduction by Jim Forest sets these writings in the context of Franz's life and times, and draws out their meaning for today.

GIVE A BOY A GUN

One Man's Journey from Killing to Peace-Making

Alistair Little with Ruth Scott

9780232527636 DLT (2009), 224pp £12.95

Give a Boy a Gun is the powerful story of Alistair Little, a member of the Ulster Volunteer Force who, aged seventeen, murdered a man. He is now involved with the reconciliation movement, and has shared a platform with the Dalai Lama.

In retelling his story, he explores the factors that turn a boy brought up in a stable, loving family into a terrorist, and then transforms his violence into a deep desire for reconciliation.

Too young to receive a life sentence, Alistair served a 12-year prison sentence in Long Kesh and H-blocks. Once released, he began the slow and painful process that turned him away from terrorism to work internationally with victims and perpetrators in the field of conflict transformation and restorative justice.

PEACEMAKING WOMEN

Biblical Hope for Resolving Conflict

Tara Barthel and Judy Dabler

9780801064951 Baker (2005), 352pp £9.99

"Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace." Ephesians 4:3

Friends let you down. A romance turns sour. Children rebel. A church is divided. You feel like you don't measure up. Is there really hope for living at peace?

Yes! *Peacemaking Women* offers a meaningful, lasting message to lead you out of conflict and into a state of peace where you can live as a representative of Christ to other women as well as to unbelievers. With personal stories and advice that is firmly rooted in Scripture, the authors guide you to peace with God, peaceful relationships with others, and genuine peace within.

Social Justice

JUST: IMAGINE

The Social Justice Agenda

Danielle Strickland

9781850788416 Spring Harvest (2009), 160pp £8.99

Just: Imagine encourages us to live out the dream of God's just world in our waking lives, and help it to become a reality.

The authors, both Christians and active proponents of social justice, remind us of the world-changers who shaped our Christian heritage and equipped us with the tools we need to follow in their footsteps. *Just Imagine* is a thorough exploration of the biblical and Christian foundations of social justice, and a practical guide to applying them in our lives, in our local and ultimately in our global communities. Filled with inspiring examples, stimulating advice and helpful resources.

A PERSISTENT VOICE

Marian Franz and Conscientious Objection to Military Taxation

Marian Franz with Tim Godshall

9781931038591 Cascadia (2009), 212pp £18.25

This collection of essays by Marian Franz spans her 23 years of lobbying Congress to enact the Peace Tax Fund Bill, which would allow conscientious objectors to pay taxes into a fund for non military purposes only. Originally published in the newsletter of the National Campaign for a Peace Tax Fund, these 47 essays are as relevant today as they were when Franz wrote them.

With stories gleaned from lobbying visits, extensive reading, travels and life experience, Franz consistently crafted essays full of hope and inspiration. While these essays are centred on the legislative effort to enact the Peace Tax Fund Bill, their scope is much broader. Among other topics, Franz delved into the definition of conscience, antidotes to apathy, profiles of nonviolent activists, the high cost and many victims of militarism, and the need to forgive.

THE SOCIAL JUSTICE HANDBOOK

Small Steps for a Better World

Mae Elise Cannon

9780830837151 InterVarsity Press (US) (2009), 272pp £16.75

Mae Elise Cannon provides a comprehensive resource for Christians like you who are committed to social justice. She presents biblical rationale for justice and explains a variety of Christian approaches to doing justice. A wide-ranging catalogue of topics and issues give background information about justice issues at home and abroad and give you the tools you need to take action.

TRANSFORMING THE WORLD

The Gospel and Social Responsibility

Jamie A Grant & Dewi A Hughes (Eds)

9781844743742 IVP (2009), 288pp £16.99

Evangelical Christianity has long been plagued by a dichotomy between evangelism and social action. The debate about whether evangelicals should attempt to make this world a better place in tune with God's will as well as prepare people for life in a better world is the background to this stimulating volume, which seeks to demonstrate that there is no tension between the task of evangelism and the Christian's obligation to care for those in need. The issue should never have been one of 'either/or' but rather should always have been voiced in terms of 'both/and'. The Bible's teaching makes it plain that God's salvific work is both spiritual and physical.

WHAT IS IRAN?

A Primer on Culture, Politics, and Religion

Laurie Bainton Pierce

9780836194463 Herald Press (2009), 96pp £12.95

Laurie Pierce offers readers an overview of the historical, religious, and political landscape of modern Iran. Written from a peacebuilding perspective and informed by almost two decades of Mennonite experience in Iran, she provides insight into a country that often makes the news but is rarely understood. The book also outlines Anabaptist involvement in Iran.

Spirituality

INTERFAITH SPIRITUAL CARE

Understandings and Practices

Daniel S Chipani & Leah Dawn Bueckert

9781926599076 Pandora Press (2009), 320pp £28.95

Intended for pastors, chaplains and other care givers, this publication was written with the following goals in mind: to explore the dynamics of interfaith spiritual care as a work of practical and pastoral theology; to identify reliable guidelines for the practice of interfaith spiritual care; and to invite further cooperation on this subject among practitioners and scholars.

SENT AND GATHERED**A Worship Manual for the Missional Church**

Clayton J Schmit

9780801031656 Brazos Press (2009), 224pp £19.95

Historic changes are occurring in the convergence of worship styles throughout the Christian church. Christians across the theological spectrum are seeking to learn from their own tradition's roots and from the liturgical expressions of believers in other times and places. Here worship expert Clayton Schmit examines worship in church settings around the globe and provides a practical manual for shaping liturgies that are informed by and relevant to contemporary missional contexts. The book broadens current ecumenical worship conversations, reveals insights drawn from the church at worship in the world, and argues for a common understanding of a theology of worship.

WORDS FOR WORSHIP 2

Dianne Zaerr Brenneman

9780836194739 Herald Press (2009), 300pp £24.95

Dianne Zaerr Brenneman has assembled a dynamic collection of prayers, litanies, and other elements for worship throughout the church year. Contributors use fresh language and vivid images and give congregations the words to help give voice to their worship. Several extensive indices make quick work of finding pieces to fit a theme. An additional section features elements for morning and evening prayers, praying in public places, and for special times within regular worship, such as blessings, and dedications, commissioning, and laments. Sample services not often provided in other resources include the Longest Night, Christmas Eve, Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, Labor Day, and All Saints' Day. Lay worship leaders and pastors will find this volume invaluable for planning vibrant worship services.

Theology & Ethics**A CROSS-SHATTERED CHURCH,
Reclaiming the Theological Heart**

Stanley Hauerwas

9781587432583 Brazos Press (2009), 176pp £15.75

With passion and insight, eminent theologian Stanley Hauerwas shows how the sermon is the best context for doing good theology in *A Cross-Shattered Church*. He writes, "I am convinced that the recovery of the sermon as the context for theological reflection is crucial if Christians are to negotiate the world in which we find ourselves." The book includes seventeen sermons preached by Hauerwas, which he considers his best theological work. They are divided into four sections: seeing, saying, living, and events. Sermon titles cover a broad range of topics, including (among others): Believing Is Seeing, The Glory of the Trinity, The End of Sacrifice, Was It Fitting for Jesus to Die on the Cross?, Only Fear Can Drive Out Fear, The Appeal of Jesus, Slavery as Salvation, To Be Made Human, and Water Is Thicker Than Blood. Professors and students of theology, pastors, and those interested in what Hauerwas has to say about theology and preaching will value this work.

FOUND IN THE MIDDLE!**Theology and Ethics for Christians Who Are Both Liberal and Evangelical**

Wesley J Wildman & Stephen Chapin Garner

9781566993814 Alban Inst (2008), 185pp £18.00

Found in the Middle! offers a foundational approach to the theology and ethics that undergird a congregation where moderate Christians can thrive. Wildman and Garner serve as helpful guides on a quest for a humble theology, an intelligible gospel message, a compelling view of church unity, and a radical ethics deeply satisfying to most Christians with both liberal and evangelical instincts.

LIVING HOLINESS**Stanley Hauerwas and the Church**

John B Thompson

9780716206590 Epworth (2009), 250pp £14.99

Offers an accessible introduction to Hauerwas's understanding of the ethics, character, narrative, practices and politics of the Church in late modern societies. Hauerwas has lots of imaginative, challenging and creative things to say. This book seeks to make them more available to the wider Church and its clergy at ground level.

Section 1 introduces Hauerwas's work on the Church. It critically explores the importance he places on the church, its story and its politics as witness to the reign of God in the World.

Section II demonstrates how Hauerwas's thinking can illuminate congregational life, discipleship, Scripture, mission, theology and witness in fresh and encouraging ways.

LOST IN THE MIDDLE**Claiming an Inclusive Faith for Christians Who Are Both Liberal and Evangelical**

Wesley J Wildman, & Stephen Chapin Garner

9781566993722 Alban Inst (2008), 180pp £13.75

Lost in the Middle? guides readers through a process of diagnosis and articulation, offering complementary perspectives on the phenomenon, problem, and promise of Christians with both liberal and evangelical instincts. The authors show how individuals and institutions alike can reclaim and celebrate the highest virtues of both liberal and evangelical Christianity, and how doing so can lead to the creation of authentic and vibrant communities of faith.

THE THEOLOGICAL ETHICS OF STANLEY HAUERWAS**A Very Concise Introduction**

Mark Coffey

9781851747092 Grove (2009), 30pp £3.50

Stanley Hauerwas is a pugnacious but prophetic theologian whose church-centred theological ethic is attracting a new generation of emerging church leaders.

This engaging study explores a wide variety of Hauerwas' themes, drawing on his published books and a large number of web articles, all listed in the comprehensive notes (web articles are directly accessible via the 'View footnote web links' section). Guaranteed to whet your appetite to read more of Hauerwas himself!

Metanoia's top 10**HOW TO LEARN THROUGH CONFLICT****A Handbook for Leaders in Local Churches**

Colin Patterson

9781851745470 Grove (2003), 30pp £3.50

EXTRAORDINARY RELATIONSHIPS**A New Way of Thinking About Human Interactions**

Roberta M Gilbert

9780471346906 Wiley (1992), 325pp £10.99

REMEMBER US**Letters from Stalin's Gulag (1930-37) Volume one: The Regehr Family**

Ruth Derksen Siemens

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