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### **WE HAVE FAITH IN OUR BOOKS!**

United Church Publishing House (UCPH) traces its roots to the Methodist Book Room, founded in 1829. Since the beginning, The United Church of Canada has published books and resources that help people to engage in liberal Christian ministry, attracting readers—regardless of denomination or faith—considering the spiritual aspects of their lives.

Since 1992, UCPH has published more than 250 titles. **We publish titles that aim to support, challenge, and inspire church leaders and individuals.** We share our faith and vision within the United Church, with members of other denominations, and with secular markets throughout Canada and beyond.

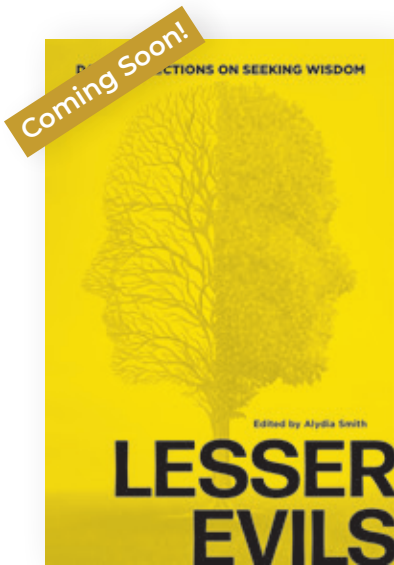
### **GENRES AND BESTSELLERS**

Many UCPH titles are faith development and worship related books for Communities of Faith, both leaders and members. Our books cover important topics including leadership, family and relationships, theology, faith formation, congregational development, and so much more. The resources found within these books are meant to meet the spiritual needs of those searching for spiritual insight and strength and a sense of better community, and who want to develop stronger values.



# FAITH FORMATION

For over 30 years, UCPH has been publishing yearly Lenten devotional books that deepen one's faith through study and prayer during the season of Lent. These and other faith formation books provide readers with reflections, guidance, and prayers, supporting their commitment to remain connected and engaged with Christ.



## **LESSER EVILS** **DAILY REFLECTIONS ON** **SEEKING WISDOM**

Edited by Alydia Smith

Regardless of how righteous we might feel about our decisions, we choose evils every day, hoping that we are choosing the lesser ones. *Lesser Evils* explores everyday dilemmas of seeking the good while choosing the lesser evil from a Christian perspective. This collection of Lenten devotions challenges all followers of Jesus to faithfully attempt to do and seek good in our actions and choices. A study guide is included.

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Julie McGonegal

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## ADVENTURES IN FAITH & FAMILY

Susan Lukey

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## FAITHFULLY YOURS LETTERS FOR THE WONDERING

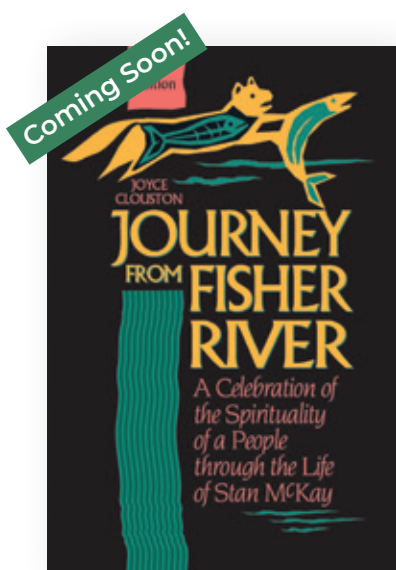
Alydia Smith

Think of a shoebox stuffed with cards under the bed—precious communications that we return to often. The Bible is a large collection of such letters inspired by love and shared by the Faithful. *Faithfully Yours* features daily scripture, reflections, hymn suggestions, personal questions, and prayers for individual devotions or group study by a wide variety of United Church contributors.

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# INDIGENOUS JUSTICE

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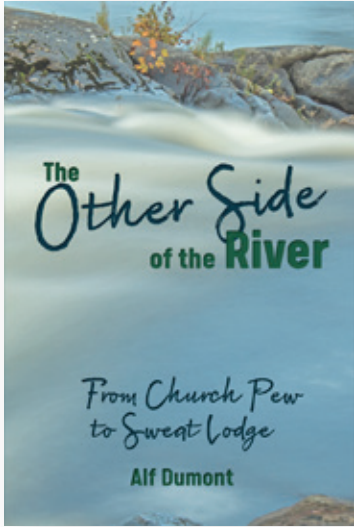


## JOURNEY FROM FISHER RIVER 2ND EDITION

Joyce Clouston

Author Joyce Clouston weaves reminiscences and memories to recreate the life and ministry of Stan McKay, the first Indigenous Moderator in the United Church of Canada (1992–1994). Guided by teachings rooted in Cree tradition, Stan transformed his experience of oppression through his years of ministry, opening pathways to communication and healing with gentleness and humility, challenge and affirmation. Walk with an extraordinary man on his spiritual journey and share in his dream of what is yet to be.

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**Alf Dumont**

Alf Dumont walks between the two worlds of Indigenous and settler, traditional spirituality and Christianity. He shares stories of building bridges between these worlds. He challenges Canada to re-examine its responsibilities and relationships with Indigenous people through stories, humour, poetry, and insights.

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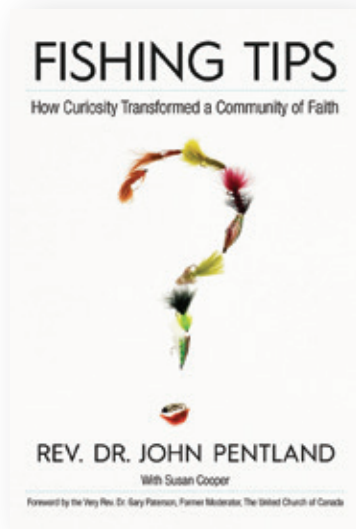
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# WORSHIP RESOURCES

Our worship resources display new forms of genuine Christian leadership, providing churches and readers with advice and information on how to handle new and ongoing challenges related to faith and the church.



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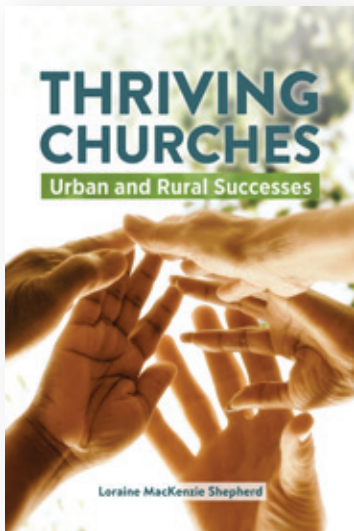


## PREACHING THE BIG QUESTIONS DOCTRINE ISN'T DUSTY

Catherine Faith MacLean & John H. Young

Talking about theology and the whys of our faith needn't be boring. Two leading United Church scholars explore 13 key doctrines theologically, scripturally, in pastoral application, and in a sample sermon. Rediscover the joy of engaging with the theology you studied in your ministry training.

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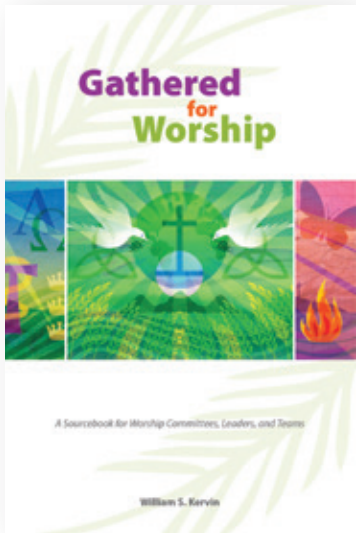


## THRIVING CHURCHES URBAN AND RURAL SUCCESSES

Loraine MacKenzie Shepherd

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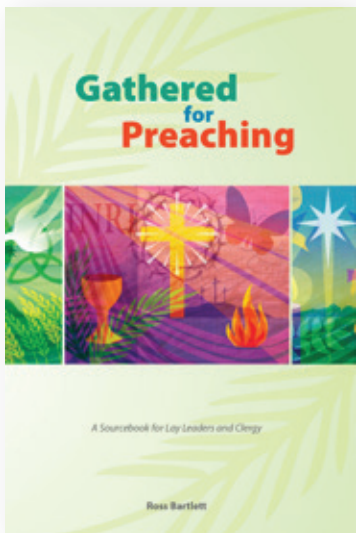


## GATHERED FOR WORSHIP A SOURCEBOOK FOR WORSHIP COMMITTEES, LEADERS, AND TEAMS

William S. Kervin

Whatever the subject, William Kervin's appreciation for liturgical traditions merges with his conviction that everyone in the church has experiences and opinions, and that this grassroots input can enrich our common experience. *Gathered for Worship* will meet the needs of worship planners as they study, reflect, discuss, and plan, and include discussion questions, liturgical examples, and sources for further reading.

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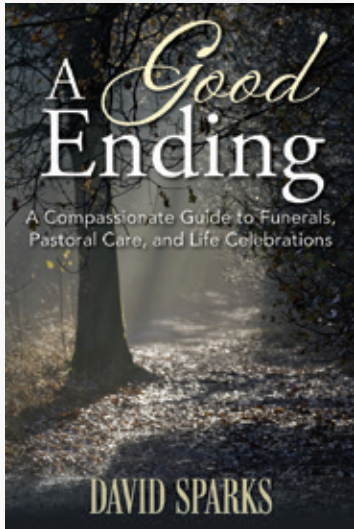


## GATHERED FOR PREACHING A SOURCEBOOK FOR LAY LEADERS AND CLERGY

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