

Selected Resources on **LENT**



BK DB1 008 THINGS TO MAKE AND DO FOR LENT AND EASTER

Author: Martha Bettis Gee

Creative activities for children to help emphasize Easter as a time for renewal and celebration. Detailed, easy-to-understand instructions allow children to express their own unique creativity and be in touch with the Easter story.

BK DB1 011 SHARING THE EASTER FAITH WITH CHILDREN

Author: Carolyn C. Brown

A carefully researched and well-grounded, practical resource for congregations and families to share the Easter message with children and include the children meaningfully in Lent, Holy Week, and Easter observances. Includes a reproducible booklet for parents.

BK DB1 012 LET US BREAK BREAD TOGETHER: A PASSOVER HAGGADAH FOR CHRISTIANS

Authors: Pastor Michael Smith & Rabbi Rami Shapiro

Jews have been celebrating the Passover through a special meal, called a Seder, for millennia. Jesus himself celebrated the Passover with his disciples in what we refer to as The Last Supper. This book offers the unique opportunity to experience an authentic Jewish Passover Seder, from a distinctively Christian perspective.

BK DB2 001 PRAYERS FOR LENT, EASTER AND PENTECOST

Author: Donna E. Schaper

Images of thrift shops and garage sales remind us that God finds a way to bless and bless again as we recycle stuff of our lives. The author takes us from one holy season to another, reminding us that "life is a long process of spiritually de-cluttering". In her prayers and meditations we are given ways to both de-clutter and "to keep and guard meanings".

BK DB2 003 SEVEN LASTING WORDS: JESUS SPEAKS FROM THE CROSS

Author: Christopher R. Seitz

Here is a series of vignettes based on the seven last sayings of Jesus that makes for inspiring reading during the Lenten season. Each of the sayings is beautifully illustrated with woodcuts.

BK DB2 007 FROM BULB TO BLOSSOM: A LENT AND EASTER WORSHIP RESOURCE

Author: Anna Liechty; Judith Chase; Phyllis Vos Wezeman

A growing plant from bulb to flower provides the focus for a wide variety of experiences that nurture spiritual growth during Lent. Suitable for all ages.

BK DB2 010 BEST OF BLESSINGS: LENT, HOLY WEEK, AND EASTER

Author: Ginny Arthur, editor

Popular worship programs for children of all ages, and children and adults together. Includes 8 reproducible units.

BK DB2 012 LET JUSTICE ROLL DOWN: WORSHIP RESOURCES FOR LENT, HOLY WEEK

Author: Geoffrey Duncan

A versatile, imaginative collection of prayers, readings, and liturgies for worship and reflection during the season of Lent, Holy Week, and Easter. The featured writers come from many different countries and cultures, yet all share in a spirituality combined with a deep passion for justice and healing in the world.

BK DB2 014 CLEARING SEASON, A: REFLECTIONS FOR LENT

Author: Sarah Parsons

If you have never observed Lenten practices or have experienced Lent as a long, seemingly purposeless time of self-denial, consider this: A Clearing Season shows you how to: clear space in your life for God; identify obstacles that keep you from God; and choose a Lenten practice to help remove these obstructions. Welcome the Lenten season as an opportunity to clarify your relationship with God.

BK DB2 017 WORSHIP FEAST: COMPLETE WORSHIP OUTLINES FOR LENT & EASTER

Authors: Mike Baughman & Jenny Youngman

Within these pages are worship outlines that will take you on a journey of submission. Youth will submit their devotion, their bodies, their voices, their surprise. Some services include prayer stations; others include creative expression, storytelling or silence. A cd of five original Lent-themed songs for your group to learn and sing is included.

BK DB2 020 SEASONS OF ASH AND FIRE: PRAYERS & LITURGIES FOR LENT/EASTER

Author: Blair Gilmer Meeks

In addition to prayers and liturgies for Ash Wednesday through Ascension Day, this book includes suggested themes and symbols for the Sundays of Lent, daily Scripture readings for Lent and the 50 Days of Easter, household prayers for Lent/Easter, and more.

BK DB2 021 WERE YOU THERE? FINDING OURSELVES AT THE FOOT OF THE CROSS

Author: Erik Kolbell

The author shows us that in the Passion of Jesus we hear the story of one person but the echoes of many. Though we read the story to find out who Jesus was, it is in the stories of the other characters that were present, from the disciples who followed him to the high priests who spoke falsely about him, that we can discover much about ourselves.

BK DB2 022 CELEBRATING HOLY WEEK IN A POST HOLOCAUST WORLD

Author: Henry F. Knight

An ongoing issue for clergy as well as Christians in general is how to approach New Testament narratives about the crucifixion of Jesus in relation to Jews, Judaism, and the horrific events of the Holocaust. In this book, the author provides practical examples of prayers, liturgies, and resource material to help pastors prepare for and lead worship & teach during this important time.

BK DB2 023 LEADING TO EASTER: SERMONS AND WORSHIP RESOURCES

Author: Purdum, Bruce, Meyer & Carlson

This anthology includes ready-to-use components for memorable Ash Wednesday and Holy Week worship. Includes a moving Maundy Thursday program combining elements of a Passover meal and tenebrae service; a Good Friday service with brief meditations; and a set of three choral readings for Easter sunrise worship.

BK DB2 024 HE TOOK A TOWEL: SERMONS & SERVICES FOR COMMUNION AND FEET WASHING

Author: Frank Ramirez

Appropriate for Maundy Thursday or any time through the year, this resource contains several sermons and a complete service of Holy Communion, Feet Washing, and Agape Meal (or Love Feast). Detailed bread recipes and instructions for all the preparations are included along with bulletin texts.

BK DB2 025 SCRIPTURES, THE CROSS & THE POWER OF GOD, THE

Author: Thomas (N.T.) Wright

This collection of nine meditations from renowned biblical scholar Tom (N.T.) Wright carries Holy Week from its solemn beginnings to its dramatic conclusion on Good Friday and Easter.

BK DB2 026 MISSION: EASTER – YOUTH PROGRAMS & IDEAS FOR LENT

Author: Todd Outcalt

The programs and ideas in Mission: Easter will help your youth better understand the traditions, beliefs, and practices that make this season so holy. In addition to seven Sunday programs, this resource contains devotional programs for Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, and Good Friday, as well as 7 Lenten Bible Studies, 2 dramas, and worship & retreat ideas.

BK DB2 027 ON THE ROAD AGAIN: A FAITH JOURNEY

Author: James W. Monroe

This seven-session Lenten study explores the significance of Jesus' experiences on the road, and takes a closer look at some of the people he meets along the way. Each lesson includes a Scripture reference, a brief reading, questions for discussion or reflection, a brief prayer and a focus for the coming week.

BK DB2 029 LAST WEEK, THE: A DAY-TO-DAY ACCOUNT OF JESUS' FINAL WEEK

Authors: Marcus Borg; John Dominic Crossan

Borg and Crossan dig into the Gospel of Mark's day-by-day account of the week leading up to Easter and they excavate profound insights into the political and spiritual dynamics of Jesus' true passion- his message of the kingdom of God.

BK DB2 031 FORWARD TO FREEDOM: FROM EXODUS TO EASTER

Author: David Adam

The author helps us to see ourselves in the Bible, and most specifically in the life of Moses in the book of Exodus. In a series of forty meditations, one for each day of Lent, the author shows the relevance of Exodus for our times. Moses' story inspires us to launch out into new adventures, freeing others and ourselves from slavery and seeking God's Promised Land.

CU DB2 002 KERYGMA: HOSANNA- A SPIRITUAL JOURNEY THROUGH HOLY WEEK

Author: Carol J. Miller

Hosanna invites you to explore the main texts in all four Gospels and in Paul's writings that deal specifically with the last week of Jesus' life and with the resurrection. Each New Testament writer wants his audience to come to see who Jesus Christ is and what God is doing in and through him.

BK DB3 003 SIMPLY EASTER: EASY DRAMAS, SPEECHES AND RECITATIONS FOR CHILDREN

Three interactive teaching stories that can be used with children or with the whole congregation during Holy Week. Also includes dramas and poems.

BK DBX 007 DESTINATION EASTER! LENTEN PROGRAMS & PRACTICES FOR YOUTH

Authors: Kathy Hershman & Kaylea Hutson

Destination Easter has two main sections: programs and practices. Each program (except Easter) has a Practice of Faith that goes along with it. While the programs provide an opportunity to learn by listening, discussing, and studying, the practices of faith provide an opportunity to learn by creative expression and personal experience.

BK DBX 013 LAST DAYS OF JESUS, THE

Author: Francois Bovon

Francois Bovon engagingly and concisely explores the last days of Jesus. Detailing the similarities and differences in the passion narratives of the four canonical Gospels and the Gospel of Peter, he shows that these stories were not composed by objective witnesses but are reflections of the perspectives of those who wrote them.

BK DBX 014 SEVEN NEXT WORDS OF CHRIST: FINDING HOPE IN THE RESURRECTION

Author: Shane Stanford

We often hear about the Seven Last Words of Christ. Rarely, though, do we focus on the same way on what Christ said after the Resurrection as he surprised, consoled, rebuked, and inspired his followers through seven powerful encounters- the author calls the Seven Next Words of Christ.

BK DBX 015 FRIDAY, SATURDAY, SUNDAY: LITERARY MEDITATIONS ON SUFFERING

Author: David S. Cunningham

Drawing from important novels, plays and poems, theologian David Cunningham reflects on the issues of suffering, death, and new life in the context of Christian faith. The three days of Holy Week-Good Friday, Holy Saturday, and Easter Sunday – provide the framework for these wonderfully written and thoughtful reflections on these universal human experiences.

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CU DBX 004 **JOURNEY TO JERUSALEM: CELEBRATING & TEACHING THE LIFE OF CHRIST**

Author: Boyd Lien

An intergenerational celebration of Lent, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter.

VT DB3 003 **RESURRECTION**

Author: American Bible Society

A moving contemporary video interpretation and narration of John 20: 1-31, the account of Jesus' resurrection appearances. Video is 11 minutes long and there is an extensive study guide to accompany it.