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of the word spoken under the inspiration
of vast, visible audiences while addressed

to the impressionable hearts of men. From first to last, the various units in the exposition proceed on the assumption that it was the intention of the writer to set forth the Person of our Lord in relation to His kingly office. So from the mystic account of His advent in human history, through the record of the authority of His ethical enunciation, the mercifulness of His method, the majesty of His death, and the glory of His resurrection, to the ringing claim of "all authority," and the clarion command to "disciple the nations," we are ever in the presence of the King. In an enthusiastic review, the Sunday School Times observes, "It will prove a mine of treasure for teaching the Sunday school lessons. There is hardly a page from which some expression of great force does not strike out at the reader."

Gospel Sermons for Pentecost (Last Third)
Cycle A The Good Book Company
Soulful Aging is about cultivating an
informed conversation about some of the
most important religious realities of life.
There are six chapters, each tied to one of
the six stages of aging: Extended Middle
Age, Ready or Not, The New Me, Like It or
Not, The Rest of Living, and Dying. Each
chapter looks at the pathways to personal
and communal spiritual growth community, prayer, teaching,
proclamation, service, and witness.
A Spirituality of Self-Surrender, Love of
God, and Love of Neighbor Inter-Varsity
Press

The publication of the King James version of the Bible, translated between 1603 and 1611, coincided with an extraordinary flowering of English literature and is universally acknowledged as the greatest influence on English-language literature in history. Now, world-class literary writers introduce the book of the King James Bible in a series of beautifully designed, small-format volumes. The introducers' passionate, provocative, and personal engagements with the spirituality and the language of the text make the Bible come alive as a stunning work of literature and

remind us of its overwhelming contemporary relevance.

The Lectionary Commentary: Theological Exegesis for Sunday's Texts, The First Readings: Psychology Press 300 anecdotes and illustrations for pastors, writers, teachers, and other Christian communicators on a variety of topics. Each entry includes Scripture references, cross-references to related topics, and an anecdote or illustration, and

Preaching God's Transforming Justice Canongate Books

its source.

In this latest collection of Cycle A gospel sermons for Pentecost (last third), Albert Butzer shows that we Christians live our lives with one leg in the ancient and sacred world of the Bible and the other leg in our modern, scientific world. The job of the preacher is to make holy sense of the intersection of these two worlds. It is a great honor and a sacred responsibility to do this, as well as a weekly lesson in humility. Preaching is risky business. And good preachers quake every time they step into the preaching moment. Al Butzer understands this privilege, this power, this promise of preaching, he has been at it a long time, and his quaking is as fresh today as it was 35 years ago. His sermons crawl inside our lives, because his life is much like ours. He does not pontificate; he persuades. He does not prescribe; he wonders. He does not scold; he inspires. Through story and metaphor and creative twists of theology, he widens the lens of our lives and helps us see in new ways. Susan Andrews Moderator of the 215th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, USA These sermons do precisely what the author intends: They help the reader live at the intersection of holy scripture and daily life. They never stray from that complex and often ambiguous intersection where all faithful people must live. Read these sermons to hear a word of God's wide grace proclaimed with courage and deep faith in the living God who is still at work in our lives. Al Butzer is a

seasoned preacher whose gifts are displayed in this collection. Roy Howard Book Editor for The Presbyterian Outlook Sermon titles included: All Are Invited, But... (Matthew 22:1-14) Stamped With God's Own Image (Matthew 22:15-22) The Rule of Love (Matthew 22:34-46) The Word Above All Earthly Powers (John 8:31-36) Blessed to Be Among the Company of Mourners (Matthew 5:1-12) Albert G. Butzer, III has served as pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Virginia Beach, Virginia since 2007. A graduate of Tufts University and Princeton Theological Seminary, he previously served congregations in Short Hills, New Jersey; Oak Park, Illinois; and Fairfax, Virginia. He was elected moderator of Chicago Presbytery in 1992 and three times served as a commissioner to meetings of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, USA. He is the author of Tears of Sadness; Tears of Gladness also published by CSS Publishing. In 2011 he received an Award of Merit (Second Place) from the Associated Church Press for his essay, "Making Sense of Difficult Texts," originally published in The Presbyterian Outlook. <u>Luther and the Radicals</u> Fortress Press Bestselling author David Augsburger explains and advocates for a tri-polar spirituality--Christian life and energy centered on God, care of neighbor, and care of self.

The Pastor Who Learned to Dance Westminster John Knox Press Drawn from the many books, writings, and interviews by Richard Rohr, one of the most popular spiritual writers today, this collections introduces many of the teachings for which he has become known, all organized around the central theme of Love.

Feasting on the Word: Year A, Volume 4: <u>Preaching the Revised Common Lectionary</u> Canongate Books

In their zeal to tell the true story of sixteenth-century radicalism, some sympathizers of the Anabaptist movement have portrayed the once maligned individuals and groups as innocent, pious people who suffered cruel persecution at the hands of the wicked state-churchmen. Their side of the story is thus often as onesided as was the story of the enemies of Anabaptism. This book, written by a Mennonite scholar, seeks to understand the reasons for the clash between Luther and the radicals, a point often neglected when one or the other side is emphasized. The study keeps Luther, however, in a central position, exploring the issues which led to the Reformer's attitude toward the radicals and analyzing the principles that were at stake in his

struggle with the dissident groups. Essential Teachings on Love Canongate

This 12-volume series covers all of the Sundays in the three-year lectionary cycle, along with moveable occasions. For each lectionary text, preachers will find brief essays--one each on the exegetical, theological, pastoral, and homiletical challenges of the text. Each volume also contains an index of biblical passages so that nonlectionary preachers may make use of it.

Luther on Faith and Love Orbis Books Drawing on great church teachers through the centuries and on the classical Christian creeds and confessions, this book asks both what Matthew's Gospel said to its first hearers and what it says to readers today. It shows how the focus of Matthew shifts, from Jesus teaching about who he is to teaching mainly about what his church

<u>Lectionary Preaching Workbook</u> Tyndale House Publishers, Inc.

This work is vintage Morris and provides valuable insights to those studying the gospel from a scholar who has lived with the Greek New Testament for decades. Richard Rohr Moody Publishers The authors build on their earlier socialscientific works and enhance the highly successful commentary model they developed in their social-scientific commentaries. This volume is a thoroughly revised edition of this popular commentary. They include an introduction that lays the foundation for their interpretation, followed by an examination of each unit in the Synoptics, employing methodologies of cultural anthropology, macro-sociology, and social psychology.

#### A Devotion through Ten Objects

Presbyterian Publishing Corp A traditional favorite, the NIV Children's Bible is a full-text Bible for kids with color illustrations of key Bible stories. Soulful Aging Westminster John Knox Press This is the final volume in a unique new commentary series that helps the preacher identify and reflect on the social implications of the biblical readings in the Revised Common Lectionary. The essays concentrate on the themes of social justice in the weekly texts and how those themes can be teachable moments for preaching social justice in the church. In addition to the lectionary days, there are essays for twenty-two "Holy Days of Justice," including Martin Luther King Day, Earth Day, World AIDS Day, and Children's Sabbath. These days are intended to enlarge the church's awareness of God's call for justice and of the many ways that call comes to the church and world today.

## Thematic Plans for Years A, B, and C

Leadership Ministries Neither ascent nor decline. Except for the point, the still point, here would be no dance and there is only the dance. (T. S. Eliot. Four Quartets) The metaphor of the dance is one I have chosen to describe the movement of the Spirit in my life as pastor in a small Protestant congregation in northern California during 197888. I dance a light and joyful dance when I remember that God in Christ is the still point of the dance around which the various parts of myself arrange themselves. As the people of God and I dance together we become a healing energy field in which the Holy Spirit powerfully moves . I have written this book in gratitude for the gift of the presence of the Christ as the creator of our dance together with all creation. It is a book for pastors and for students in training for church ministry, but it is for lovers, parents, business executives, and teachers as well. I invite you, my brothers and sisters, to dance with me. From a colleague: Your book is very good; very readable, very insightful and sometimes profound. I appreciate your open (and courageous) description of your personal spiritual journey, also your description of Psychosynthesis and its possible manner of application to ones self and to the activity of the Church. . . . I think . . . that your work could be particularly helpful as a teaching tool for ministers and Seminarians. THE PASTOR WHO LEARNED TO DANCE: HOW I LEARNED TO BE MYSELF IN THE CHURCH by Howard S. Fuller Sensational Sermon Snapshots Matthew Wilfrid Laurier Univ. Press A working pastor is always looking for fresh preaching perspectives. This handson resource from the author of a longstanding column in the journal Lectionary Homiletics covers the entire three-year lectionary cycle with brief reflections designed to generate fresh and timely sermon ideas. Each reflection is limited to two pages and provides an interpretation of one or more lections for every month of the year. While some focus on a single

#### Ministry Through the Stages of **Adulthood** Abingdon Press

theological/pastoral theme that stretches

across several lections, suggesting how to

approach an entire month homiletically.

lection, others draw forth a

There has been a distinct tendency in modern scholarship to underestimate Luther's teaching on love by overemphasizing his teaching on justification. Calling this tendency into question, this volume advances the thesis that Luther's teaching on faith and love operates as the overriding thematic pair in the dynamics of Christ and the law-structurally and conceptually undergirding the 1535 Galatians commentary. The research situates itself in the landscape of Luther scholarship via a special attention to Finnish Luther scholars and scholarship. Christ and the Law in the 1535 Galatians Commentary Wipf and Stock Publishers God is often at work through the ordinary:

ordinary people, ordinary objects, ordinary grace. Through the ordinary, God communicates epiphanies, salvation, revelation, and reconciliation. It is through the mundane that we hear Gods quiet voice. In this devotion for the season of Lent, Jill J. Duffield draws readers attention to ten ordinary objects that Jesus would have encountered on his way to Jerusalem: dust, bread, the cross, coins,

shoes, oil, coats, towels, thorns, and stones. In each object, readers will find meaning in the biblical account of Jesus final days. Each week, readers encounter a new object to consider through Scripture, prayer, and reflection. From Ash Wednesday to Easter, Lent in Plain Sight reminds Christians to open ourselves to the kingdom of God.