



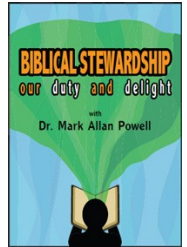
Open for Exploration!

Lent

Essential for Lenten worship planning is *Worship Guidebook for Lent and the Three Days* together with *Music Sourcebook for Lent and the Three Days* from Augsburg Fortress. Preview copies available.

For a rich Lenten worship experience, consider the new *Holden Prayer Around the Cross*, a set of resources adapted from Holden Evening Prayer and Prayer Around the Cross by Susan Briehl, Tom Witt, and Marty Haugen. To accompany HPAC, a set of musical resources is available in *Singing Our Prayer: Companion to Holden Prayer Around the Cross*.

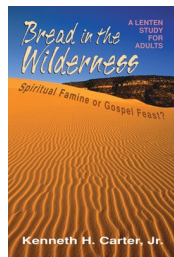
You're invited to take a look at a stewardship resource ideal for Lent: Mark Allan Powell's **Biblical Stewardship: Our Duty and Delight** features seven 20-minute video sessions on DVD, a comprehensive study guide and participant handouts. Session titles include Belonging to God, What is a Steward?, Treasures and Hearts, Motives for Giving, Duty and Delight, and Cheerful Sacrifices.



The **40 Day Journey books** for small groups or individual use are designed for Lent. This year's *Book of Faith Lenten Journey: Seven Wonders of the Word* is by Kathryn Kleinhans. Additional titles include *Marks of the Christian* based on Romans 12; the *Lord's Prayer*; and *40 Day Journeys with Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Joan Chittister, Julian of Norwich, Martin Luther, Madeleine L'Engle*, and others.

If you've found the **Nooma** films interesting, consider using *Lump, Rhythm, Today, Shells*, and *Matthew* during Lent as a way of repeating the themes and inviting conversation about the weekly texts. Call the Resource Center for a list!

For an adult study exploring the lectionary texts for Cycle A, check out the series **SIGNS of LENT DVD**. Each of the seven segments is 10-12 minutes and follows a similar format. Themes are sand, wind, water, earth, rock, tree and light all focusing on texts from Matthew and John.



Bread themes for Lent? Try a Lenten study called *Bread in the Wilderness: Spiritual Famine or Gospel Feast*, six sessions about hunger and food. A new six-part bible study called *Bread and Broth* also invites participants to share soup and bread while learning about Jacob, Moses, Joshua, Elisha, John the Baptist and Jesus.

Care of creation theme? Check out www.carbonfast.blogdrive.com, a site offering daily thoughts for a carbon fast; <http://www.elca.org/Our-Faith-In-Action/Justice/Advocacy/Issues/Environment-and-Energy/Environmental-Worship-Resources.aspx>, a Lenten resource called "Creation Waits with Eager Longing"; *Living Earth, A Lenten Journey: Joining the Hymn of All Creation* at <http://www.elca.org/Our-Faith-In-Action/Justice/Advocacy/Congregational-Resources/Caring-For-Creation.aspx>

Music for Lent? Jay Beech suggests a replacement for the Alleluia, *Not by Bread Alone*; hymns that fit the texts and themes of Lent and more at www.baytonemusic.com/baytoneEmail_four.html

Heaven on Earth: Studies in Matthew is the newest Book of Faith study. This six-session study from Augsburg Fortress is timely as we begin the new cycle in the lectionary. Preview copies available.

Baptismal themes? Watch for *Washed and Welcome*, exceptional new baptismal formation resources from Augsburg Fortress.

PLEASE SHARE what your congregation is doing for Lent! This rich season of the church year is prime time for deepening our worship life and living the remarkable drama of new life in Christ. Send a note to julie.aageson@elca.org or juliea@eandsynod.org

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- An online catalog is available at www.eandsynod.org ("Search the Catalog" under the Resource Center)
- Available to you are web links, online collections, media and print resources, curricula and more for all areas of congregational life

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