



The Resource Center

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Resources for YOU and YOUR Congregation

- All resources are available for loan to individuals and to congregations
- Call, visit, or email the Resource Center at the EaND Synod office
- 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

Advent 2011

Open for Exploration!

Advent and the Coming of Christ

- ✦ Among the newest resources from www.wearesparkhouse.org is www.clayfirecurator.org, a creative worship design blog. Check out **The Stories the Stars Tell**, a collection for Christmas and Epiphany.
- ✦ **Sundays and Seasons—Year B** As we begin a new church year, the very best resources for worship are found here. It includes preparation for each season, weekly texts, seasonal rites, music and so much more. Take a look at our preview copy or subscribe online at www.sundaysandseasons.com. You also might like to consider **Clayfire** (AFP)
- ✦ For daily prayer, *The Meaning is in the Waiting: the Spirit of Advent* from Paraclete Press focuses on people of the Bible who waited on God—Sarah and Abraham, John the Baptist . . .
- ✦ *Advent Book of Faith Reflections* offer daily readings, bible study, journaling, activities and prayer. This year's title is *Advent Reflections: Making All Things New* from Augsburg Fortress. For small group or individual use.
- ✦ **DVDs for group use** include Legend of the Three Trees; Advent Calendar on DVD; Songs of Christmas; The Christmas Story; Advent Conspiracy: Can Christmas Still Change the World?; and Advent, five compelling 2-3 minute video illustrations about Jesus' birth.
- ✦ For adult study, Kerygma's **Hallelujah: the Bible and Handel's Messiah** explores the scriptural texts of Handel's Messiah in four sessions: Comfort, Comfort My People; Who Shall Abide the Day of His Coming?; For Unto Us a Child Is Born; and Glory to God in the Highest. A recording of Messiah is recommended for class use.
- ✦ **For midweek worship in Advent**, the Resource Center has a variety of services available for loan: **The Long Road to Christmas, Flames for the Faithful, A Child is Born in Bethlehem, and A Place Prepare.** (Creative Communications)
- ✦ **Advent and Christmas programs** are available for many kinds of settings. In addition to programs, music, liturgies, preaching resources, books, and more are available at <http://store.augsburgfortress.org/store/search?ss=Christmas+programs¬Found=true>
- ✦ An old favorite and an especially beautiful book for celebrating Advent and Christmas, **Winter: Celebrating the Season in a Christian Home** by Peter Mazar combines readings, images, and reflections. (Liturgy Training Publications)

