

Lent, Easter, and Pentecost

Resources

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- Acts** VT.225a and VT.225b
 Michael E. Williams 1990 Cokesbury Adults
 Volume 1: Four 20 minute lessons on The New Community, The Day of Pentecost, Stephen, and Paul.
 Volume 2: Three 20 minute lessons on Peter and Cornelius, Barnabas, and the Acts of the Apostles.
- Alive to God in Jesus Christ** BK. G.1095
 Joe Small 2009 Witherspoon
 The Moderator's 2009 Lenten Bible Study. 40 daily readings to nurture intellectual and spiritual understanding of Jesus Christ. Includes guide for small group study.
- And the Sea Lay Down** BK. G.1075
 Elaine M. Ward 2000 CSS Publishing
 Sermons and Worship Services for Lent and Easter. Complete worship resources for use from Ash Wednesday through Easter. Included for each service are: call to worship, hymns, children's message, prayers, Scripture passages, sermon, prayer and affirmation of faith.
- Bad and the Good, The** BK. G.1042
 Julia Bland 1997 CSS Publishing Co.
 Children's sermons and activity pages for Lent and Easter.
- Be My Guest** BK. A.452
 C. Thomas Hilton 1991 Abingdon Press
 Special sermons for Holy Communion are organized according to the seasons of the church year. The book includes four Advent, four Lenten, four ordinary, five New Year's Eve and two world communion sermons, plus 18 extraordinary sermon illustrations.
- Before and After Easter: Activities and Ideas for Lent to Pentecost** BK. G.1038
 Debbie Trafton O'Neal 1992 Augsburg
 Specific activities, including crafts, service projects, reflection ideas, and suggestions for family worship, are included for each day in Lent and through the weeks of Easter to Pentecost. In addition, each offers a Bible passage for reading together.
- Bible Discovery, Volume 3** DVD F.666
 Three episodes that guide the viewer through stories of the Scripture. Each runs 25 minutes. 1) Discovering the Baby King – The story of Christmas. 2) Discovering the Empty Tomb – The Story of Easter. 3) Discovering the Kingdom – A retelling of some of the parables of Jesus. For ages 6-12.
- Blueprints for Lent** BK. G.1082
 Arley K. Fadness 2007 CSS Publishing
 Using da Vinci's classic Lord's Supper as a backdrop, this resource offers congregations a Lenten experience of programs and worship that are designed for participation by all ages and in all facets of church life and ministry. Includes four liturgical worship settings for Maundy Thursday. Note: Construction of a scene copying da Vinci's classic painting is required.
- Bread and Broth** BK. G.1062
 Cynthia E. Cowen 1996 CSS Publishing

Six studies for Lent provide a recipe for a soup and bread of the week, encouraging congregations to enjoy a fellowship meal together as they learn about the biblical characters Jacob, Moses, Joshua, Elisha, John the Baptist and Jesus.

Bread and Wine: Readings for Lent and Easter BK. G.1086

Various authors 2003 Orbis Books

A collection of reflections for Lent from some of the world's best-loved spiritual writers, including C.S. Lewis, G.K. Chesterton, Philip Yancey, Frederick Buechner, Madeleine L'Engle, Henri Nouwen, and Dorothy Day.

Breathing New Life into Lent BK. G.1089

J. Pritchard, A. McKinstry and J. Powers 2000 Judson Press

A worship resource offering prayers, sermon ideas, children's sermon notes, songs, Scripture readings and hymns.

Causes of Hunger: A User's Guide BK. J.911

Bread for the World 1995

Companion Guide to Causes of Hunger: Hunger 1995. This guide has nine sessions for individuals, families and congregations to use for C.E. meetings, youth meetings, Lenten and Advent series, or weekend retreats. Includes dozens of activities and approaches you can use.

Celebrate Communion BK. C.409

Colleen Britton 1984 Educational Ministries Children's Lessons

The communion Lessons in this series are planned to be presented to broadly graded classes in 15-20 minute sessions. They can be used during Sunday morning services, as learning center activities during a retreat, family night, vacation church school, or as part of a special Lenten study about Communion.

Celebrate Video VT.206

1994 PC(USA) 25 min. Age 2-5th Grade

Explores in simple terms: 1)The Church Family, 2)The Church Year, 3)Marriage, Church Leaders, Funerals, 4)Baptism, 5)The Lord's Supper, 6)What is a Christian Steward, 7)Advent Christmas, 8)Lent, 9)Pentecost.

Celebrating Holy Week BK. G.1005

Henry Rust 1993

In this creative resource you will find original dramas, poetry, prayers, meditations and a variety of worship suggestions for this holy season. These suggestions have been used in parishes across this country.

Celebrating Holy Week in a Post Holocaust World BK. G.1070

Henry F. Knight 2005 WJK

Practical examples of prayers, liturgies and resource material.

Chocolate for Lent BK. G.1078

Hilary Brand 2002 Pauline Books & Media

Using themes from the film, "Chocolat," this is a Lenten program on self-discipline and self-giving that can be used for groups or for individual study.

Creative Ideas for Lent Vol. 1, BK. G.1001; Vol. 2, BK. G.1002; Vol. 3, BK. G.1033

Robert G. Davidson 1987 Educational Ministries

This book includes intergenerational events, worship ideas, activity projects, youth programs, lesson plans, stories, and many other ideas for use during the Lenten season.

Creative Ideas for Pentecost BK. G.1024

Linda S. Davidson 1992

In this resource book you will find worship services, plays, games, puzzles, crafts and all kind of activities and programs to celebrate this season.

Cross and Our Witness BK. G.1021

1986 Harland F. Heier

Dramas and Meditations for Lent and Easter.

- Cross and Resurrection, The** BK. G.10104
1996 NAV Press
Witness the events leading up to the crucifixion of Jesus. A five-lesson study: Fickle or Faithful? Presumed Guilty, The Final Step, We Meet Again, and Spread the Word! From the Life and Ministry of Jesus Christ series.
- Easter Drama and Program Collection** (Includes Lenten/Pentecost Selections) BK. G.1039
Abingdon Press 1993
This collection of Easter dramas and programs by various authors provides short dramas and recitations. This material is suitable for all age groups.
- Easter Experience, The** KIT G.10105
Thomas Nelson 2009
A DVD-driven study that tells the passion story and resurrection through storytelling in a cinematic style. Includes six 20-25 minute episodes, a bonus DVD for leaders with music videos and bonus materials, participant's guide and leader's guide.
- Easter Extras** BK. G.1085
2008 Group Publishing
Faith-filled activities for kids during Easter week. Can be used to enhance an existing lesson, create a new one, or use at home.
- Easter from the Back Side** BK. G.10100
J. Ellsworth Kalas 2008 Abingdon Press
The author connects the story of Christ's resurrection with other stories and Scriptures throughout the Bible, including both the Old and New Testaments. Seven chapters. Includes study guide.
- Easter Party! The Bedbug Bible Gang** VT G.1052
2000 Morning Light Media 27 mins.
The Bedbugs can't wait to share the news that Jesus is alive and they want to party about it! Hear them tell the stories of the Palm Parade, the Garden Surprise, and Doubting Thomas.
- Easter Story A-Z, The** BK. G.1030
A. Liechty, J. Chase and P. V. Wezeman 1995
This is a program design in which the stories of Lent and Easter are told through the creation of a banner depicting these events.
- Easter Story, The** VT G.1063
1989 Hanna-Barbera Series 30 min. Ages 3-12
Seen through the eyes of the Apostle Mark, this animated recreation of "The Easter Story" begins with Jesus' joyful entrance into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. The story continues with the drama of Christ's betrayal, arrest and crucifixion - and his triumphant resurrection and ascent into Heaven.
- Experiencing Easter** BK. G.1080
Gregory L. Tolle 2007 CSS Publishing
Meditations on second chances, extravagant worship, hope, clean hearts, and more to lead us on the Lenten journey from death to life.
- Faces of Lent** BK. G.1009
Harry Strong 1987
Seven sermons, prepared by the Rev. Strong, that he delivered on the Sundays before Easter in 1987.
- Feasting on the Word – Worship Companion** BK. C. 238
Kimberly Bracken Long, editor 2012 WJK
Year C, Volume 1 Advent through Pentecost. Includes a CD.
- Fifty Ways for the Fifty Days** BK. G.1003
P. V. Wezeman and J. D. Fournie 1990
Creative education ideas for Easter through Pentecost.

- Fill the World with Love** VT.156
1993 One Great Hour of Sharing Video 4 min. All Ages
A music video for the promotion of the One Great Hour of Sharing.
- First Easter, The** BK. G.10112
Lion Pub 2009
This children's book tells the story of the last week of Jesus' life, simply and straight-forwardly faithful to the biblical accounts of his death and resurrection.
- Friday Saturday Sunday** BK. G.1164
David S. Cunningham 2007 WJK
The author draws from novels, poems and plays to reflect on the issues of suffering, death and new life. Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday provide the framework for his thoughts.
- From Advent's Alleluia to Easter's Morning Light** BK. C.752
Ann Weems 2010 WJK
A collection of poems to be used in worship, personal devotions and in discussions. It is organized to follow the liturgical year from Advent through Easter.
- Getting Our Feet Wet** BK. G.1094
Gary William Bell 2001 CSS Publishing
A collection of 14 thoughtful yet lighthearted sketches depicting Lenten themes. For worship or small gatherings. Many require only one or two characters. Each runs 5-12 minutes.
- God Is on the Cross** BK. C.754
Dietrich Bonhoeffer 2012 WJK
Reflections on Lent and Easter. 40 devotions.
- God Sent a Savior** BK. G.1093
2004 Abingdon Press
Easter and spring readings, poems, litanies, prayers, simple songs, dramas and activities for preschoolers through tweens. Also celebrates Father's Day and Mother's Day.
- Great Fifty Days Banner, The** BK. G.1069
David Zuber Contemporary Drama Service
A visual portrayal of the events from Easter to Pentecost. Includes five plays, a construction guide and patterns.
- Hallelujah: The Bible and Handel's Messiah** BK. G.9107a Leader's Guide
BK. G.9107b Participant's Guide
Carol Bechtel Reynolds 1995 Kerygma
Hallelujah explores the Scriptural texts of Handel's Messiah and includes musical commentary. With four sessions on the Advent texts and six sessions on the Lenten texts, it may be offered as two seasonal courses or as one ten-week course. A recording of Messiah is recommended for class use.
- Happy Easter – Davey & Goliath** VT G.1057
Gospel Films 30 minutes
The beloved animated characters teach children about death and eternal life.
- Hard to Dance with the Devil on Your Back** BK. G.10111
2010 Abingdon Press
In every culture and time, persons of faith, of all ages, have summoned trials and tribulations to find the endurance and strength to "dance." They have danced with the weight of the world upon their shoulders, sustained by God and others dancing near them. A seven-session Lenten study.
- Holiday Ideas for Youth Groups** BK. F.217
Wayne Rice and Mike Yaconelli 1989
Presents knock-'em-dead activities for youth of every age, secular and Christian. Every major holiday from Christmas and New Year to Easter and Thanksgiving is included. (Even some less celebrated holidays- Groundhog Day, for example).

- Holy Moses** BK. G.1079
Arley K. Fadness 2007 CSS Publishing
Six family-oriented Lenten services that relive the Exodus experience. Includes promotion ideas, original music and a sample bulletin.
- Hosanna!** BK. G.1022
Sharon Lee 1992
Calendars, crafts, and creative projects for Lent and Easter.
- Jesus for Kids** VT F.655
Vision Video 1997 Five, 10-minute segments
A five-part video to introduce children to Jesus. Part 1: The First Christmas; Part 2: Jesus the Storyteller; Part 3: Jesus the Miracle Worker; Part 4: Jesus the Healer; Part 5: The First Easter
- Jesus: Then and Now (Lenten Special)** VT 160
Vision Video (Gateway Films) 1992 20 min.seg Youth and Adults
Programs are interdenominational in scope. Featured are noted experts as well as ordinary individuals from various backgrounds and countries. They help us discover the Christ for all ages and all peoples. Using a wide variety of production techniques including drama, documentary, and dance, these programs are inspiring while at the same time thought provoking. Six sessions.
- Kneeling in Jerusalem** BK. PW 07
Ann Weems 1992 Westminster Press
In a powerful and creative way, renowned author and speaker Ann Weems brings new insight into the Lenten season by providing seventy-one poems of inspiration.
- Knowing God's Triune Story** BK. D.2112
Michael Lindvall 2010 Witherspoon Press
A Lenten Bible study that examines why the Trinity consists of three persons, and reflects on how true knowledge of the Trinity affects our relationship with God.
- Last Leaf, The** VT 105
Ecuofilm 1991 28 min. Intergenerational
With typical O'Henry irony, Verlaine, a french painter, takes the opportunity to be a true master, although not in a way he might have expected. Celebrating the love and sacrifice of the human spirit, this Easter parable tells a hopeful story of renewed faith, appropriate for viewing throughout the year.
- Last Supper, The** BK. G.1066
Susan Bartlett and Diana Smith 2001 CSS Publishing
A dramatic way to celebrate Mandy Thursday offers glimpses into the backgrounds and personalities of the disciples and emphasize the human qualities we share with them. 14 male roles, 1 female role, plus the pastor.
- Last Supper, The** VT G.1072
Vision Video 1993
An elaborate and extensive film on The Last Supper, filmed in the Holy Land and the Middle East. The film emphasizes both Christian tradition and Jewish roots and explores the recipes of the Biblical courses served at the supper: bread, salads, herbs, olive dish, lamb, wine, fruit. A recipe booklet is included. 60 minutes.
- Lent for Everyone – Luke, Year C** BK. C.753
N.T. Wright 2012 Westminster, John Knox Press
Daily Devotional. Suitable for both individual and group study and reflection.
- Lent Is for Children** BK. G.10108
Julie Kelemen 1993 Liguori
- Lenten Alphabet** BK. G.1016
Wezeman and Fournier 1993 EMI
A to Z ideas for Lenten crafts and activities.

- Lenten Banner, The** BK. G.1051
 Dr. Gary R. Shiplett 2001 Contemporary Drama Service
 An eight-part sequential presentation for each Sunday of Lent, together with Maundy Thursday and Good Friday. This liturgy can be used as a brief supplement to worship services for the Lenten period. A church family and the pastor read an appropriate script commemorating the event symbolized. Five scripts with banner patterns, study and construction guides.
- Lenten Resources for Worship Leaders** BK. G.1096
 An Anthology 1997 CSS Publishing
 A complete Lenten volume that includes: a Good Friday vigil, monologue of a pharisee, traditional seder service, litanies and meditations.
- Living with Jesus & the Book of Job During Lent** BK. G.1032
 Elaine M. Ward 1995 EMI
 Six-session study based on Job's questions concerning the meaning of existence, such as: Is this all? For individual or groups study.
- Looking at the Cross** BK. G.10114
 James D. Miller 2012 PC(USA)
 From the Being Reformed: Faith Seeking Understanding series. A six-session study that is especially useful for a Lenten study, it focuses on the core of Christian beliefs.
- Looking Toward Easter from Here** BK. G.1034
 Henry R. Rust 1996 Educational Ministries
 This book of sermons offers modern messages for Lent, Good Friday, Palm Sunday, and Easter and in addition a service for Ash Wednesday and a service for the Sunday following Easter.
- Miracle of Pentecost, The** BK. J.1413
 1987 Presbyterian Peacemaking Program
 Peacemaking in the Acts of the Apostles. This study examines five prominent themes in Luke-Acts, each of which is a peacemaking theme. Each theme demonstrates Luke's conviction that the gospel effects reconciliation and calls the church to a ministry of peacemaking.
- Mission: Easter** BK. G.1090
 Todd Outcalt 2005 Abingdon Press
 A source for Lenten programming ideas including seven Sunday programs, Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday and Good Friday, plus Bible studies, two dramas, worship and retreat ideas, and a Bible dictionary.
- More Speeches and Recitations for Young Children** BK. C.612
 Abingdon Press 1997
 A collection of short, easy-to-memorize poems, prayers and services for children ages four to eight. The speeches and recitations help children learn Bible verses and Christian virtues. For Easter, Christmas, Mother's and Father's Day, Thanksgiving and more.
- On the Death and Resurrection of the Messiah** KIT G.1073 (VHS) and KIT F.758c (DVD)
 A 10-part study for groups of all sizes, led by Ray Vander Laan. This video study focuses on the last week of Jesus' life, his death and resurrection, and the Holy Spirit's visit on Pentecost. Filmed on location by Focus on the Family films. Includes a leader's guide and a participant's guide. Each video segment runs approximately 20 minutes.
- Pentecost Alphabet** BK. G.1023
 Phyllis Vos Wezeman 1992
 Highlights this important season by developing twenty-six themes for use in worship, education, outreach, and nurture. Offers practical, easily presented, memorable experiences for all ages.
- Poems & Prayers for Easter** BK. G.10102
 Sophie Piper 2009 Paraclete Press
 A book for the young and the young at heart celebrating themes of Easter.

- Preparing My Heart for Easter** BK. G.10107
Ann Marie Stewart 2006 AMG Publishers
An eight-week Bible study for women that focuses on the women of the Easter story. Each week of the study has five daily studies and two weekend devotionals.
- Programs for Lent and Easter** (Volume 3) BK. G.1036
1994 Judson Press
This book includes exciting activities for children and youth, contemporary dramas, and fresh worship ideas!
- Radical Renovation** BK. G.10101
James Harnish 2008 Abingdon Press
A seven-session Lenten study for adults. How God can enter into our brokenness and completely rebuild our lives so Christ can take up residence. Lessons include Scripture reference, reflection, questions, prayer and a focus for the coming week.
- Reaching for Rainbows: Resources for Creative Worship** BK. C.215
Ann Weems 1980 Westminster Press
Always full of joy and hope, these litanies and poems are ideal for individuals looking for devotional readings they can use privately or share with a group. They offer pastors fresh worship and sermon material covering such specific events as Christmas, weddings, Pentecost, and Communion.
- Remember and Rejoice: Reflections and Activities for Lent through Easter** BK. G.1020
Sue Kirk and Sally Wilke 1992
The information, devotions, and activities in this booklet are designed to help you remember and discover how meaningful this season can be.
- Scriptures, the Cross, and the Power of God** BK. G.1077
Tom Wright 2006 Westminster John Knox
Nine meditations for Holy Week. The Palm Sunday through Maundy Thursday morning, as well as the Easter vigil, focus on texts from Matthew; Maundy Thursday evening, Good Friday and Easter morning focus on texts from the Gospel of John.
- Sharing the Easter Faith with Children** BK. G.10103
Carolyn Brown 2005 Abingdon Press
This book explores what the Easter message can mean to children as they grow up. Practical ways to help children from birth to age 12 observe Lent and celebrate Easter. Includes reproducible booklet for parents.
- Speaking for Ourselves: Voices of Biblical Women** BK. J.313
Katerina Katsarka Whitley 1998 Alternatives
Includes 12 dramatic monologues of Biblical Women. Could be easily done as mid-week Lenten Services.
- Speaking with Signs** BK. G.1087
Wesley Runk 1995 CSS Publishing
Six object lessons for children to use during the Lenten season, each using a symbol related to the Easter story. Lessons are based on text from Matthew and John.
- Stories Behind the Traditions and Songs of Easter** BK. G.1084
Ace Collins 2007 Zondervan
Reveals the events and backgrounds that shaped the customs – baskets, colored eggs, white lillies and more – of Easter.
- Things to Make and Do for Lent and Easter** BK. G.1043
Martha Bettis Gee 1998 Bridge Resources Creative Activities for Children's Ministry
The creative activities in this book are designed to help put children in touch with the Easter story. This resource allows them to hear the Christian story and to fully make this story their own.
- Things to Make and Do for Pentecost** BK. G.1044
Martha Bettis Gee 1998 Bridge Resources Creative Activities for Children's Ministry

At the heart of the creative process is the working of the Spirit, moving and sharing and transforming the person engaged in the act of creation. Every activity suggested here awaits the unique approach that only you and your group of children can bring to it.

- Three for the Third Day** BK. G.1063
Mary Lu Warstler 1995 CSS Publishing
Three Easter sunrise services. Each service takes about 30 minutes to perform. Number of participants needed range from four to nine.
- Traveling Calvary's Road** BK. G.1081
Various Contributors 2007 CSS Publishing
An anthology of services, dramas, monologues and services to use from Ash Wednesday through Easter. The programs use varying numbers of people and flexible hymns.
- True Easter Story, The** DVD G.1092
Ray VanderLaan 2000 Zondervan
Travel to Israel and discover facts about the events surrounding the death and resurrection of Jesus. Visit 2000-year-old tombs and plunge into the history and culture of Israel. Includes two bonus segments from the 5-volume "That the World May Know" Faith Lessons series. 50 minutes.
- Twenty Voices: A Pentecost Celebration** BK. G.1024A
James Bowser 1990 Educational Ministries
This is a complete worship service which uses twenty members of your congregation to briefly go through twenty centuries of church history from the perspective of a person of that time.
- Understanding Pentecost** VT.245
1994 Ecuifilm Iowa Religious Media Services 26 min.
Come with us as we explore the history, traditions, and experiences of Pentecost, how it empowered the early church, and how we are empowered to experience and live Pentecost lives of our own.
- VeggieTales' An Easter Carol** DVD D.10106
2004 Big Idea Productions 49 minutes
Children will learn in VeggieTales style that there is more to Easter than candy and eggs.
- Walking in His Footsteps** KIT F.424
2004 Group Publishing
A multimedia journey through Jesus' last week. Participants are guided by dramatic narrative on CD as they move through 12 interactive multi-sensory stations. Can use at retreats, camp, as outreach, special events or a Christmas/Easter event. Includes CDs, videos, leader's guide and 10 participant booklets.
- Walking toward Pentecost** BK. G.1035
Anne R. Rupp 1996 Educational Ministries
This book focuses on the excitement, surprise and joy evoked by the post resurrection appearances. *Part I* contains resources and ideas for the congregation at worship, including a theme hymn, Readers' Theater, bulletin cover ideas and much more. *Part II* concentrates on experiential education. *Part III* is intergenerational.
- Watch and Pray: Meditations in Dramatic Form for the Season of Lent** BK. G.1045
Neil Ellis Orts 1996 Alternatives CSS Publishing Company
The seven dramatic meditations begin with Ash Wednesday, followed with five mid-week readings and conclude with a Maundy Thursday Presentation.
- We Are an Easter People** BK. G.1091a (Leader's) and BK. G.1091b (Participant's)
John and Adrienne Carr 1989 Upper Room Books
Designed for small groups to help participants experience more of the Easter power, i.e., turning strangers into gifts, wounded people into healers, self-centered people into servants, victims into victors, and people with very little into wealthy investors. Five weeks. Can also be used to lead up to Pentecost.
- Where's Noah? A Lenten Program** BK. G.1067
Arley Fadness 2000 CSS Publishing

This resource features the classic biblical story of Noah, the flood, and God's salvation in a worship format that engages all generations. There are monologues, brief sermons, crossword puzzles and an Easter Sunrise play.

Who Me? Do A Program?

BK. C.504 / BK. C.504A

Cynthia E. Cowen

CSS Publishing Company, Inc.

Volume 1 & 2. Program Resources For Congregational Events.

These programs are designed for easy implementation at women's meetings, youth gatherings, and congregational events. These collections are reflective, at times humorous, and includes skits, meditations, and other suggestions to fit the season, including Lent, Spring and Advent.

Worship Innovations: Lent and Easter Season Resources BK. G.1098

Janet Burton

2004

CSS Publishing

Congregational resources for Lent that include a series of six monologues, a re-enactment of the events preceding the Last Supper, a Maundy Thursday service, two Good Friday services, an Easter sunrise service and Scripture readings.

Writing to God

BK. C.843

Rachel G. Hackenberg

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Paraclete Press

40 Days of Praying with My Pen. Designed to relieve the reader of praying "the right way." Ideal for Lent. Part of the Active Prayer series with Making Crosses, Praying in Color, and Praying with the Body.