

Dear Presbyterian Leader,

This week we have a number of new materials for use in your congregation. In addition to our new Leading Voices essay and our new Leader Reader newsletter, we also have a new Doctrine and Beliefs study. This four-session study, titled "The Trinity," can be used alone or in conjunction with the studies below.

[The Holy Spirit](#), by Donald K. McKim and Adam Fischer

[Who Is God?](#) by Donald K. McKim and Carol Wehrheim

This group of studies would be perfect resource material for a leader's retreat.

This past Sunday, professor, pastor, author, and Presbyterian leader [Tom Long](#) had an Op-Ed featured in *The New York Times* on the topic of his new book [Accompany Them With Singing — The Christian Funeral](#). The title of his article was "[Chronicle of a Death We Can't Accept](#)." You can read chapter one of Tom's book by [clicking here](#).

Staff Product Pick

The Trinity
by Michael L. Lindvall

Is the concept of the Trinity in the Bible? Or was it a political maneuver by the Emperor Constantine? Is it sexist? Or is it simply abstract and irrelevant? These are common questions and arguments about the Trinity—God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit. This four-session study takes a close look at these questions to unpack the theological concept of the Trinity. Participants will look at the history of the Trinity, look to the scriptural references, debate the issues, and discover some practical implications of the doctrine of the Trinity and be inspired to live more faithfully and fully in light of these discoveries.

Peace,
Andrew W. Yeager-Buckley
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Leading Voices Feature

Leading in Anxious Times
by Michael L. Lindvall

We live in times of upheaval, of fear, of pain. This is not so different from the time of Jesus. But when there is fear Christ focuses on peace; when there is tiredness and hunger Christ says, come have breakfast. Christ as the leader serves well the disciples' human hurts and hopes. In this month's essay, Michael L. Lindvall shows leaders that in the twenty-first-century church they should not get caught up in the pain of fear and anxiety; instead they should lead with a sense of calm, hope, and clear direction.

Leader Reader Feature

Responding to the Kairos
by Jim Chatham

The Greek word *kairos* depicts a momentous biblical concept. The word has no English equivalent because our culture has no corresponding concept. In this month's newsletter Jim Chatham takes us on a journey to discover not only the biblical *kairos* moment, but also how we can experience a *kairos* moment in our own modern times.

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