

Dear Presbyterian Leader,

In this month's Leading Voices essay by Mel Bringle, we get a glimpse of what it means to be a pastoral leader. Ultimately, we learn a very important lesson: how to make each individual know that they matter. Whether you're in a classroom or a meeting room, a stadium or a sanctuary, a good leader finds a way to make sure they make these connections.

Presbyterian Leader Highlight

The Institute for Youth Ministry at Princeton Theological Seminary's most recent Youth Church & Culture podcast is about the *Twilight* series. It features Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) pastor and The Thoughtful Christian.com study author Katie Douglass. Katie wrote a *Twilight* study for [Youth](#), [Adults](#) and [Parents of Teenagers](#). To listen to this interview, [click here](#).

Staff Product Pick

[How to Talk about Stewardship](#)
by Jon Brown

This study is geared toward these pastors who have difficulty discussing stewardship with their congregation. Since this relies on the creation of a personal way of speaking on the topic of stewardship, no Leader's Guide is provided for this study.

Peace,

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Leading Voices Feature

[Purple Cows and Pastoral Caring](#)
by Mel Bringle

No matter where you are, you are a leader. No matter what you're doing, people will look to you to lead. In this month's Leading Voices essay, Mel Bringle helps us take a look at our journey to see how we can step up and truly lead.

Leader Reader Feature

[Tips for Interpreting the Bible](#)
by Jack Haberer

Presbyterians take the Bible seriously; it is the defining document for our faith. However, the diverse forms and content found within many passages of Scripture have generated a broad range of interpretations. The "doctrine of inspiration" is best grasped as we practice the essential task of study—that is, reading the text.