

Stewardship Resources in the Resource Center

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12 Keys To An Effective Church: Book by Kennon L. Callahan Identifies the 12 essential characteristics of effective, growing churches and offers all congregations a way to unlock their inherent potential for effective ministry.

12 Keys to an Effective Church: Leader's Guide by Kennon L. Callahan This indispensable companion volume to the original book, presents the principles and resources needed to complete a successful long-range parish plan.

12 Keys to an Effective Church: The Planning Workbook by Kennon L. Callahan This revised edition offers clear instructions for working through 4 stages of effective long-range planning explored in Callahan's book.

12 Keys to an Effective Church: The Study Guide by Kennon L. Callahan This guide discusses new and useful ways to interpret and work through the Callahan's main book.

A Fire with God by Betsy Schwarzentraub Included are examples of faithful stewardship of the earth, ways to reinvigorate stewardship in worship, long-range planning ideas and plans for individual ministry growth.

A Stewardship Scrapbook by William Phillippe A collection of resources for sermons, training, talks on all facets of stewardship.

Abound In Hope by Ann Weems Stewardship materials for worship: poems, litanies, prayers, Scripture meditations.

All That God Has Given by Hartland H. Gifford Help congregations become aware of the many dimensions of stewardship. Each chapter includes questions for reflection and discussion.

At Ease: Discussing Money and Values in Small Groups Small groups support and build trust to help people identify their fears, help people trust the church.

Beyond the News Money by Jerry Holsopple Ten lessons - the choices we make about money. Study guide will help people lead multiple session with the 55 min. video. Included is a video of 23 min., a condensed version. VIDEO

Caesar and God: Ethics and Stewardship 5 personal and social issues: Living the abundant life-ethics of money, Seedtime and harvest-ethics of food, Birds and Beasts-ethics of caring for God's creatures, Privilege of right-ethics of health care, Not giving in-ethics at work and beyond. VIDEO

Celebrate the Journey Worship Resources by Robert Chase Worship resources for each month on the theme Celebrate the Journey: litanies, prayers, benedictions, call to worship.

Celebrating the Offering by Melvin Amerson Practical advice to assist the people of God in understanding the essential act of giving praise through sharing from material abundance.

Children and Money: A Guide for Parents by Carol Wehrheim This will help parents and other adults think about stewardship and learn to discuss their lifestyle of stewardship with children.

Choices: Living and Learning in God's World Eight sessions of Bible study, worship, interactive game, devotional calendar that explore meaning of stewardship as a life of discipleship.

Composing A Legacy a booklet on charitable estate planning.

Confident Steward: Ready to Share by Office of Stewardship An interactive CD and web based, year round, stewardship program based on the theme Ready to Share. DVD

Confident Steward: Commitment by Telephone Allows for questions, answers, and interaction. Is easier to enlist telephone callers than visiting stewards Use this when your church has a year-round program of mission interpretation and stewardship education and you want personal contacts with less intensity than personal visitation. DVD

Confident Steward: Consecration Day Use this when you want to focus on the spiritual dimension of stewardship Your members are generally familiar and comfortable with the mission and ministry of the church and you expect relatively few questions. DVD

Confident Steward: Direct Mail Use this when your financial needs are not critical and can be addressed by a low-key approach. This is helpful if the program and staff of your church have built confidence, growth, and a sense of achievement into the life of your congregation. DVD

Confident Steward: Every Member Visitation Links to guidance, calendar, examples of materials for year-round stewardship program of education, interpretation, and commitment of time, talent and money. DVD

Confident Steward: Every Member Visitation Face to face discussion allows for questions and answers, interaction, and is a good starting point for stewardship education. DVD

Confident Steward: Personal Delivery This involves a large number of people, is fun, often stimulates a creative,

playful spirit. Use this when: you do not expect many questions or concerns about the ministry of the Church, and you have a year-round program for stewardship and mission interpretation. DVD

Confident Steward: Small Group Meetings Use this when you have a year-round stewardship and mission interpretation program in place, or if you plan to introduce something new for which you want support or feedback. DVD

Confident Steward: Small Group Meetings Support for a year round commitment program in stewardship. DVD

Consecration Sunday and Consecration Week
HerbMiller A 40 minute discussion with Herb Miller.

Consecration Sunday Program Book by Herb Miller
Practical help to run a stewardship drive.

Covenants of Stewardship Congregational Manual for personal and congregational stewardship growth.

Covenants of Stewardship Leader's guide for personal stewardship growth in 5 sessions covering meaning of stewardship, personal life, community life, financial life.

Covenants of Stewardship Reflection on the meaning of stewardship, personal life, community life, public life and financial life.

Covenants of Stewardship Leader's Guide Guidance for use of Covenants of Stewardship that fit in a congregational education program.

Creating Congregations of Generous People by Michael Durrall The author believes that annual fund drives perpetuates low giving and asking for money becomes tedious. He gives suggestions for creating

Dare to be Stewards by Norma Gaskill Helps for planning and leading a 6 session exploration of stewardship for youth.

Ever Expanding Circles by Robert Chase A 5 part curriculum for 10-14 year olds about God's gift of love and our self-esteem, the stewardship of relationships, stewardship of money, power and position, of creation and mission. VIDEO

Faith and Money: How We Give An overview of a Research Conference describing the findings of a study of how we give.

Faithful and Wise by Mark Vincent 6 sessions on stewardship of every facet of our lives: possessions, time, talents and skills, physical environment, spiritual environment and money. 6 sessions.

Financial Campaign Strategies by Diana Barber Strategies covered in this VIDEO include Sunday worship, Consecration Day, Congregational dinner, Direct mail,

Telephone approach, Small groups, Personal delivery, Every member visitation,

Financial Meltdown in the Mainline? by Loren Mead who addresses giving patterns, ways churches keep records, lack of coordination in planning, lack of defensive planning for operational costs.

Fine Feathers The delightful tale of a blue jay who replaces his vanity with self-acceptance is told in animation. Themes are identity and self-image. VIDEO

Four Downside Up Stories Stewardship Council
Four stories from Luke to help you and your group to discover powerful, contemporary, personal and communal meanings and insights from these stories. Includes, Up in Front, Up at Table, Up a Tree, Up at Dawn. VIDEO

Fun Fundraising Ideas by Kerry Dexter Selection, planning, staffing, legal and financial advice, publicity tips, post-event protocol and more...

Generous Saints by James Hudnut-Beumler What is the true meaning of "commonwealth" and how does the church build a stable base for its members to live ethical lives.

Give Thanks...Sing Praise... by EducationStewardship A stewardship education magazine for congregational leaders in 2 parts.

Giving Annual stewardship emphasis of Ecumenical Stewardship Center

Giving and Living by Presbyterian Foundation This resource will help individuals understand the steps of making charitable gifts through income plans.

Giving and Stewardship in an Effective Church by Kennon L. Callahan This book asserts that money is not the first issue of stewardship, but rather a clear sense of mission in the local community. Money follows mission. The stronger a congregation's relational characteristics, the easier it is to raise money.

Giving Together A Stewardship Guide for Families by Carol Wehrheim An illustration of an holistic understanding of stewardship and help for families to respond to their call to be stewards in today's world. Includes leader's guide.

Giving: Growing Joyful Stewards in Your Congregation
Articles on children, youth, endowments, capital fund drives and clergy.

Heads Up The Story of One Quarter by Molly Idle The story of a family that loses everything except the clothes on their back and one quarter.

Helping God's Children Care for God's People by Delia Halverson Two hundred ideas for teaching stewardship and mission to children grades 1-8.

If I Had a Nickel by Molly Idle A story to help children see that faith, not money is the secret to real wealth and happiness.

Inspiring Generosity by William Green This includes stewardship theology and motivation, understanding mission, building a budget, asking for support, and worship resources

Lay Speakers Lead in Stewardship by Herb Mather Five session course where participants examine their own gifts and help them assist others in identifying their gifts.

Legacy of Love: An Introduction to Planned Giving from the UCC Stories from churches and individuals who have discovered the significant benefits of life-income and other types of Planned gifts.

Let the Children Give by Delia Halverson Ideas for church leaders to engage children in stewardship. It will help people teach children how to use their gifts in ministry.

Let the Rivers Run: Stewardship and the Biblical Story by Eugene Roop Roop explores several biblical narratives as they relate to the person and work of the Christian steward. Questions for reflection follow each chapter.

Lift Up Your Hearts - stewardship by Robert Chase A collection of litanies, prayers, Bible studies, confessions, calls to worship appropriate throughout the whole year.

Living Bountifully by Linda Hollies This book is about responsible stewardship in all parts of our lives.

Managing God's Good Gifts Nine lessons ask us to reexamine our discipleship in light of stewardship. Themes include good news, contentment, generosity, money, accumulation, estate planning, skills and abilities, time, creation.

Money is Everything by Herb Miller Reflection on what Jesus said about the spiritual power of money.

Money Matters by Michael Laughter Year round stewardship program that includes DVD, group study book, leader's guide. Topics include debt-free living, disciplined lifestyle, surrender and trust, ownership vs. stewardship, focus and planning, simplicity, creating vs. consuming, generosity.

More Than Money by Patrick McNamara Stories of 11 congregations where stewardship is the motivating vision for mission.

Multiply the Gift by Ann Weems Poems, litanies, Biblical meditations, skits and orders of worship for stewardship. Produced for Presbyterian Church but useful for other denominations.

My Life: A Steward's Life by Barbara Fillette A 5 session stewardship program for children ages 4-grade 2 and children grades 3-6.

Not Your Parent's Offering Plate by J Clif Christopher Some practical and applicable methods to change the way the church practices stewardship and generosity written by a pastor and stewardship coach.

Offerings of the Heart by Shawn Israel Zevit A deep understanding of generosity and giving is brought to bear on the practicalities of budgets, planning, and reaching out in deeds of justice and mercy.

Our Stewardship by John Goly How should a church manage its assets? Reproducible tools in this book can be downloaded and customized.

Outpourings of Love Images of stewardship in the Episcopal Church

Personal Visits by Patricia Sommers Recruiting, training of visitors, dedication Sunday and follow-up procedures.

Plain Talk about Churches and Money by Dean Hoge Includes insight on the uneasiness of the church and money, the difference between fundraising and stewardship, how to motivate giving, and investing church funds.

Preaching Stewardship by Patricia Wilson-Kastner This pamphlet is an aid to the every-Sunday theme of stewardship.

Speaking of Stewardship by William G. Carter Model sermons on possessions and money.

Special Places: Taking Care of God's World A two part video to help expand the understanding of stewardship to include concern for all of God's creation. It also helps us discover the need for sharing with others the blessings which God gives each one of us. VIDEO

Step by Step: A Financial Campaign for Your Church by Kermit Braswell This book explains why a stewardship campaign is important and necessary, how to develop a budget, recruit volunteers, organize visitation teams, initiate committee structure and make assignments.

Stewards in the Household of God by Doris Powell This booklet goes through 12 aspects of stewardship, one for each month of the year. It features monthly themes with scriptural reflection, ideas for activities, resource suggestions and more.

Stewardship 1998 b Biblical and worship resources with helps for children and youth.

Stewardship and Sharing by David Beebe A study booklet for use with Christian Faith, Personal Stewardship, and Economic Sharing.

Stewardship and the Directory of Worship by David Batchelder 8 modules of 20 minutes each plus ways to go deeper for each for sessions, officers or adult study of stewardship.

Stewardship and the Directory of Worship by David Batchelder A reflection guide based on the directory of worship for the study of stewardship.

Stewardship in the Small Membership Congregation by Clark Hargus Bible studies, plans, work sheets for churches with attendance of 75 or less.

Stewardship Magazine for Congregational Leaders by Christie Nagle Articles about stewardship, children's resources, financial information, worship and leadership resources.

Stewardship Sampler A notebook of background, strategies to develop a stewardship program. Sections are about personal visits, personal delivery, direct mail, faith-promise, consecration day, Keep it simple, steward, (KISS)and telephone approach.

Stewardship That All May Have Life in Fullness by Stewardship & Mission Annual booklet of worship, campaign, study resources on stewardship and funding for PCUSA.

Stu Bear by Lynn Delgado A story about stewardship for young children.

Stu Bear Goes on a Mission Visit by Heather Chappell An adventure to a mission site of the Presbyterian Church of Canada

Stu Bear Story and Songs Sing along songs and stories to teach stewardship.

Take the Pizza and Run by Barbara DeGrote Four stories for children who are learning to share and care for their own money and possessions.

Teaching Young Stewards by Barbara DeGrote Several sessions to help teachers teach stewardship.

Teens as Stewards by George Siudy, Jr. Three units on money, lifestyle, and commitment to the church.

The Abingdon Guide to Funding Ministry by Donald Joiner Sections on helping church leaders talk about money, help for pastors and worship teams, and money management in the church, campaign samplers, year round stewardship, property, personnel and compensation, church and state update, and resources.

The Big Book of Presbyterian Stewardship by Elaine Barnett Each chapter deals in a creative and practical way with some significant monetary or stewardship issue in the life or a local congregations such as giving styles, annual giving, capital funds, long-range planning.

The Big Secret of Giving by William Green Daily devotional readings to encourage generous, faithful giving.

The Big Secret of Giving: Hidden Treasures in Life and Church by William Green A devotional book with prayers and thoughts on stewardship.

The Church Finance Idea Book by Wayne Barrett Commitment Campaigns, Financial Administration, Fund-raising Strategies, Capital Projects, Promotions, Planned giving strategies.

The Dancing Steward by Christopher Levan The author addresses the question, "How can we break free of the possessive spirit of our American culture and let go in Christian stewardship.

The Gifting God by Rochelle Stackhouse A small group study that may change the way you look at giving

The Hands of the Steward Affirms being stewards of the gospel, of the church and its mission, of self and family, of society and humanity, of earth and space, of history and its fulfillment. Contains a study guide for 1-4 sessions.

The Heart Is ForGiving A five week cross-generational program on stewardship for primaries, juniors, intermediates, seniors and adults. This might also be a vacation church school program.

The New Context for Ministry by Lyle Schaller Old patterns of stewardship do not work. Charitable giving is based on complex factors including the opinion that the giver should determine how the gift is used. Read about this new age of giving.

The Price of Faith by Marie T. Cross A holistic definition of stewardship and an examination of money and wealth mean in our participation in the church.

The Steward: A Biblical Symbol Come of Age by Douglas John Hall Hall aims to recapture the biblical metaphor of the steward and to apply that meaning to our social context.

Theology of Stewardship The Statement and Study Guide by General Assembly PCUSA 4 modules or longer one module study of the 2001 statement of stewardship for the PCUSA.

There's a Hand in My Cupboard by Doug Peterson A story of caring and sharing for children 5-10 years old. Included are 5 songs and a rap about hunger.

United Church of Christ LocalChurch Planned Giving Manual Planned giving, donors and prospects, congregational endowments, three educational models, life income and resources.

Virtue and Affluence by John Haughey A call to be responsible stewards of wealth.

What Does the Lord Require? by Eugenia Gamble Biblical reflections, worship resources, and discussion designs for people to look at the lives and responses to God of a few ancestors in the faith, revealed in the Bible. This will enable people to reflect on their own response.