

## Communities of Calling Initiative Book List

### WHAT OUR CONGREGATIONS ARE READING:

D. Michael Bennethum, *Listen! God is Calling!: Luther Speaks of Vocation, Faith, and Work (Lutheran Voices)*. Fortress Press, 2003.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer, *Life Together: The Classic Exploration of Christian in Community*. HarperOne, 2009.

Kate Braestrup, *Here If You Need Me*. Back Bay Books, 2008.

Barbara Brown Taylor, *The Preaching Life*. Cowley Publications, 1993.

Julia Cameron, *The Artist's Way*. TarcherPerigee, 2016.

L. William Countryman, *Living on the Border of the Holy: Renewing the Priesthood of All*. Morehouse Publishing, 1999.

Lillian Daniel, *This Odd and Wondrous Calling: The Public and Private Lives of Two Ministers*. Eerdmans, 2009.

Michael Frost, *Surprise the World*. NavPress, 2015.

Os Guinness, *The Call: Finding and Fulfilling the Central Purpose of Your Life*. Thomas Nelson, 2018.

Edward Hahnenberg, *Awakening Vocation: A Theology of Christian Call*. Collegeville, MN: Liturgical Press, 2010.

James Hollis, *Living an Examined Life: Wisdom for the Second Half of the Journey*. Sounds True, 2018.

David Jensen, *Responsive Labor: A Theology of Work*. Westminster John Knox Press, 2006.

Henri Nouwen, *In the Name of Jesus: Reflections on Christian Leadership*. The Crossroads Publishing Company, 1992.

Henri Nouwen, *The Wounded Healer: Ministry in Contemporary Society*. Image Books, 1979.

Parker Palmer, *Falling Upward: A Spirituality for the Two Halves of Life*. Jossey-Bass, 2011.

Parker Palmer, *Let Your Life Speak: Listening for the Voice of Vocation*. San Francisco, CA: Jossey-Bass, 2000.

Rebecca Todd Peters, *In Search of the Good Life: The Ethics of Globalization*. Continuum, 2006.

Eugene H. Peterson, *Under the Unpredictable Plant: An Exploration in Vocational Holiness*. Eerdmans, 1994.

William C. Placher, ed., *Callings: Twenty Centuries of Christian Wisdom on Vocation*. Grand Rapids, MI: Wm. B. Eerdmans, 2005.

Richard Rohr, *Immortal Diamond: The Search for Our True Self*. Jossey-Bass, 2013.

Cheryl Strayed, *Wild: From Lose to Found on the Pacific Crest Trail*. Vintage, 2012.

Strengthsfinder, *Living Your Strengths*.

Twyla Tharp, *The Creative Habit: Learn It and Use It for Life*. Brilliance Audio, 2014.

Mark Tranvik, *Martin Luther and the Called Life*. Fortress Press, 2016.

Sherry A. Weddell, *Forming Intentional Disciples*. Our Sunday Visitor, 2012.

## **MORE TITLES WE SUGGEST:**

### **GENERAL/INTRODUCTORY**

Kathleen A. Cahalan, *The Stories We Live: Finding God's Calling All around Us*. Grand Rapids, MI: Wm. B. Eerdmans, 2017.

Kathleen A. Cahalan and Douglas J. Schuurman, eds., *Calling in Today's World: Voices from Eight Faith Perspectives*. Grand Rapids, MI: Wm. B. Eerdmans, 2016.

“Called to Follow: Vocation in the Catholic Tradition,” Kathleen A. Cahalan.

“To Follow Christ, to Live in the World: Calling in a Protestant Key,” Douglas J. Schuurman.

Marie Theresa Coombs and Francis Kelly Nemeck, *Called by God: A Theology of Vocation and Lifelong Commitment*. Collegeville, MN: Liturgical Press, 1992.

Steven Garber, *Visions of Vocation: Common Grace for the Common Good*. Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 2014.

Patrick Reyes, *Nobody Cries When We Die: God, Community, and Surviving to Adulthood*. St. Louis, MO: Chalice Press, 2016.

Douglas Schuurman, *Vocation: Discerning Our Callings in Life*. Grand Rapids, MI: Wm. B. Eerdmans, 2004.

Mark R. Schwehn and Dorothy C. Bass, eds. *Leading Lives that Matter: What We Should Do and Who We Should Be*. Grand Rapids, MI: Wm. B. Eerdmans, 2006.

Amy L. Sherman, *Kingdom Calling: Vocational Stewardship for the Common Good*. Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 2011.

R. Paul Stevens, *The Other Six Days: Vocation, Work, and Ministry in Biblical Perspective*. Grand Rapids, MI: Wm. B. Eerdmans, 1999.

Martha Stortz, *Called to Follow: Journeys in John's Gospel*. Cascade Books, 2017.

### **CONGREGATIONAL RESOURCES**

Laura Kelly Fanucci, *To Bless Our Callings: Prayers, Poems, and Hymns to Celebrate Vocation*. Wipf & Stock, 2017.

Suzanne G. Farnham, Joseph P. Gill, R. Taylor McLean and Susan M. Ward. *Listening Hearts: Discerning Call in Community*. Harrisburg, PA: Morehouse Publishing, 1991.

Jack Fortin. *The Centered Life: Awakened, Called, Set Free, Nurtured*. Minneapolis, MN: Augsburg Fortress, 2006.

Elizabeth Liebert, *The Soul of Discernment: A Spiritual Practice for Communities and Institutions*. Louisville, KY: Westminster John Knox Press, 2015.

Joyce Ann Mercer and Dori Grineko Baker, *Lives to Offer: Accompanying Youth on Their Vocational Quests*. Cleveland, OH: The Pilgrim Press, 2007.

Diane Millis, *Conversation—The Sacred Art: Practicing Presence in an Age of Distraction*. Woodstock, VT: SkyLight Paths Publishing, 2013.

### **LIFESPAN/WORK**

Mary Catherine Bateson, *Composing a Further Life: The Age of Active Wisdom*. Alfred A. Knopf, 2010.

Katelyn Beaty, *A Woman's Place: A Christian Vision for Your Calling in the Office, the Home, and the World*. New York, NY: Howard Books, 2016.

Douglas J. Brouwer, *What am I Supposed to Do with My Life?* Eerdmans, 2006.

Kathleen A. Cahalan and Bonnie J. Miller-McLemore, eds., *Calling All Years Good: Christian Vocation throughout Life's Seasons*. Grand Rapids, MI: Wm. B. Eerdmans, 2017.

Mike Hayes, *Loving Work: A Spiritual Guide to Finding the Work We Love and Bringing Love to the Work We Do* ((Maryknoll: Orbis Books, 2012).

James Martin, S.J., and Jeremy Langford. *Professions of Faith: Living and Working As A Catholic*. Sheed & Ward, 2002.

R. Paul Stevens, *Aging Matters: Finding Your Calling for the Rest of Your Life*. Wm. B. Eerdmans, 2016.

Frederick K. Wentz, *My Job and My Faith: Twelve Christians Report on Their Work Worlds*. Abingdon Press: 1967.

### **JUSTICE/COMMON GOOD**

John Neafsey, *Act Justly, Love Tenderly: Lifelong Lessons in Conscience and Calling*. Maryknoll, NY: Orbis Books, 2016.

John Neafsey, *A Sacred Voice is Calling: Personal Vocation and Social Conscience*. Maryknoll, NY: Orbis Books, 2006.

Katherine Turpin, *Branded: Adolescents Converting from Consumer Faith*. Pilgrim Press: 2006.

Katherine Turpin, *Nurturing Different Dreams: Youth Ministry across Lines of Difference*. Pickwick Publications: 2014.

### **MISSION/DISCIPLESHIP**

Kathleen A. Cahalan and Laura Kelly Fanucci, *Living Your Discipleship: 7 Ways to Express Your Deepest Calling*. 23<sup>rd</sup> Publications, 2015.

Martha Stortz, *Blessed to Follow: The Beatitudes as a Compass for Discipleship*. Augsburg Fortress, 2008.