

Pressing issues bibliographies

The lists that follow are meant to be initial reading on these issues. Throughout the class we will add various resources, and your final project ought to reflect additional research and reading. If you would like to focus on a contemporary pressing issue in religious education that is not on this list, you may develop a bibliography in consultation with me. Your bibliography must include at least some connection to the Practices work (<http://www.practicingourfaith.org/>) and draw on the *Lifelong Faith* journal.

Differing abilities

Vulnerable Communion, Thomas Reynolds (Brazos Press, 2008)

Beyond Accessibility: Toward Full Inclusion, Brett Webb-Mitchell (Church, 2010)

“Best practices in faith formation” issue of *Lifelong Faith*, Fall/Winter 2007

Social Justice

Praying for Justice with Conviction and Humility, Claire Wolfteich (Jossey-Bass, 2006)

Critical Minds and Discerning Hearts, Kathleen Talvacchia (Chalice, 2003)

Injustice and the Care of Souls, Kujawa-Holbrook and Montagno, eds. (Fortress, 2009)

“Best practices in faith formation” issue of *Lifelong Faith*, Fall/Winter 2007

Intercultural learning

Testimony: Talking Ourselves into Being Christian, Thomas Long (Jossey-Bass, 2004)

Introducing Theologies of Religions, Paul Knitter (Orbis, 2002)

Teaching Cross Culturally, Lingenfelter (Baker, 2003)

“Best practices in faith formation” issue of *Lifelong Faith*, Fall/Winter 2007

“Talking together as Christian cross-culturally” an ELCA study guide (available online at:

http://www.elca.org/~media/Files/What%20We%20Believe/Social%20Issues/Talking%20Together%20Field%20Guide_PDF.pdf)

Media culture

A Song to Sing, A Life to Live, D. and E. Saliers (Jossey-Bass, 2006)

Here Comes Everybody, C. Shirky (Penguin, 2009)

Mighty Stories, Dangerous Rituals, Anderson and Foley (Jossey-Bass, 2001)

“Faith Formation and the New Digital Media” issue of *Lifelong Faith*, Spring 2010

Sexuality

Honoring the Body: Meditation on a Christian Practice, Stephanie Paulsell (Jossey-Bass, 2003)

Broken Hearts and New Creations, James Allison (Continuum, 2010)

The ELCA statement on sexuality (or an appropriate one from your own faith community) <http://www.elca.org/What-We-Believe/Social-Issues/Social-Statements/JTF-Human-Sexuality.aspx>

Journey Together Faithfully: Part Two, ELCA study guide

(<http://www2.luthersem.edu/mhess/study02.pdf>)

“Family Faith Formation” issue of *Lifelong Faith*, Summer 2007

Creation and the environment

Simpler Living, Compassionate Life, Michael Schut, ed. (Living the Good News, 1999).

Sharing Food: Christian Practices for Enjoyment, L. Jung (Fortress, 2006)

Earth in Mind, David Orr (Island Press, 2004)

“Best practices in faith formation” issue of *Lifelong Faith*, Fall/Winter 2007

Stewardship and home economics

Money Enough, Douglas Hicks (Jossey-Bass, 2010)

Keeping House, Margaret Peterson (Jossey-Bass, 2007)

Economy of Grace, Kathryn Tanner (Fortress, 2005)

“Best practices in faith formation” issue of *Lifelong Faith*, Fall/Winter 2007

Missional spiritual formation

Testimony: Talking Ourselves into Being Christian, Thomas Long (Jossey-Bass, 2004)

Christian Education as Evangelism, Everist, ed. (Augsburg, 2007)

Making Spiritual Sense, Scott Cormode (Abingdon, 2006)

“Innovations in faith formation” issue of *Lifelong Faith*, Winter 2008.