

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

Faith Outside the Box - Cumulative List of Books Read and Discussed

2005 – 2009

- Marcus J. Borg, *The Heart of Christianity* w/ Pastor Doug Langholz, spring 2005
- John Shelby Spong, *Why Christianity Must Change or Die*, w/ Pastor Doug Langholz, mid-2006
- Marcus J. Borg, *Meeting Jesus Again for the First Time*, w/ Pastor Jim, early 2007
- Summer 2007 DVD series, "Living the Question"
- Marcus J. Borg and J.D. Crossan, *The Last Week* w/ Pastor Jane Halpern, Lent 2008
- Karen Armstrong, *The Bible: A biography*, summer 2008
- Jim Wallis, *God's Politics* w/ Vicar Laura Johnson, fall 2008
- Marcus J. Borg and J.D. Crossan, *The First Christmas* w/ Vicar Laura Johnson, early 2009
- *The Essential Reinhold Niebuhr* w/ Vicar Laura Johnson, spring-summer 2009
- Marcus J. Borg and J.D. Crossan, *The First Paul*, fall 2009

2010 – 2011

- Lesley Hazleton, *After the Prophet: The epic story of the Shia-Sunni split in Islam*, Jan-Feb 2010
- Robert Wright, *The Evolution of God*, spring 2010
- J.D. Crossan, *A Long Way from Tipperary*, early summer 2010
- Krista Tippett, *Einstein's God* w/ Pastor Margrethe, Sept-Oct 2010
- Harvey Cox, *The Future of Faith*, Nov-Dec 2010
- John Shelby Spong, *Eternal Life: A new vision*, Jan-Feb, 2011
- John Polkinghorne, *Exploring Reality: The intertwining of science and religion*, March-April 2011
- Steven Prothero, *God is Not One: The eight rival religions that run the world -- and why their differences matter*, April-June 2011
- Summer 2011 DVD series, "Jesus to Christ" PBS, July-August 2011
- Rob Bell, *Love Wins*, September 2011
- David Norton, *The King James Bible: A short history from Tyndale to today*, October-November 2011
- Elaine Pagels, *Beyond Belief: The secret Gospel of Thomas*, December 2011

2012 – 2013

- Brian McLaren, *A New Kind of Christianity: Ten questions that are transforming the faith*, January-February 2012
- Karen Armstrong, *The Case for God*, March-April 2012
- Paul Davies, *The Mind of God*, April-May 2012
- Douglas John Hall, *Why Christian?* May-June 2012
- Summer 2012 DVD Series, “Living the Questions,” July 2012
- Diana Butler Bass, *Christianity after Religion*, Sept-Oct 2012
- James Martin, *Between Heaven and Mirth: Why joy, humor, and laughter are at the heart of the spiritual life*, November 2012
- Jason Rosenhouse, *Among the Creationists: Dispatches from the anti-evolutionist front*, Nov-Dec 2012
- Diarmuid O’Murchu, *Ancestral Grace - Meeting God in our evolutionary story*, January 2013
- Robin Meyers, *Saving Jesus from the Church*, Feb-March 2013
- Richard Rohr, *Falling Upward: A spirituality for the two halves of life*, April 2013
- Walter Brueggemann, *The Prophetic Imagination*, May 2013
- Lecture series by Don Leverenz on the history of science & religion, July 2013
- Summer 2013 DVD Series, “Painting the Stars” August 2013
- John Shelby Spong, *The Fourth Gospel: Tales of a Jewish mystic*, Sept-Oct 2013
- Diana Butler Bass, *A People’s History of Christianity*, Oct-Nov 2013

2014 – 2015

- Malcolm Gladwell, *David and Goliath: Underdogs, misfits, and the art of battling giants*, January 2014
- Francis Spufford, *Unapologetic: Why, despite everything, Christianity can still make surprising emotional sense*, February-March 2014
- Bart D. Ehrman, *Misquoting Jesus: The story of who changed the Bible and why*, March-April 2014
- Jonathan Haidt, *The Righteous Mind: Why good people are divided by politics and religion*, April-May 2014
- Summer 2014 DVD 12-part Series, “First Light: Living the Questions,” featuring John Dominic Crossan and Marcus J. Borg, July-August 2014
- David Lose, *Making Sense of the Cross*, September 2014
- Nadia Bolz-Weber, *Pastrix: The cranky, beautiful faith of a sinner and saint*, October 2014
- Barbara Brown Taylor, *Leaving Church*, November-December 2014
- Nicholas Wade, *The Faith Instinct: How religion evolved and why it endures*, January-February 2015
- Marcus J. Borg, *Convictions – How I Learned What Matters Most*, February-March 2015

- Gretta Vosper, *AMEN: What prayer can mean in a world beyond belief*, April 2015
- Catherine Baker for the AAAS Dialogue on Science, Ethics and Religion, *The Evolution Dialogues: science, Christianity, and the quest for understanding*, May-June 2015
- Bart D. Ehrman, *How Jesus Became God*, Summer 2015 DVD Several-Part Series, "The Great Courses," July-August 2015
- Marcus J. Borg and N.T. Wright, *The Meaning of Jesus – Two Visions*, 4September-October 2015
- Nancy Ellen Abrams, *A God that Could be Real: Spirituality, science and the future of our planet*, November 2015
- James Carroll, *Christ Actually: Reimagining faith in the modern age*, December 2015-January 2016

2016

- Marcus J. Borg, *Speaking Christian: Why Christian words have lost their meaning and power, and how they can be restored*, February-March 2016
- Diana Butler Bass, *Grounded: Finding God in the world – a spiritual revolution*, April-May 2016
- Summer DVD series: "History of Christianity" with Diarmaid McCollough
- Robert P. Jones, *The End of White Christian America*, Sept – Oct 2016
- James H. Cone, *The Cross and the Lynching Tree*, November 2016
- Francis Collins, *The Language of God: A Scientist Presents Evidence for Belief*, December 2016

2017 -

- Brian McLaren, *The Great Spiritual Migration: How the World's Largest Religion Is Seeking a Better Way to Be Christian*, January 2017
- Katherine Ozment, *Grace without God: The Search for Meaning, Purpose, and Belonging in a Secular Age*, February 2017
- Huston Smith, *The Soul of Christianity: Restoring the Great Tradition*, March 2017
- Andrew Pettegree, *Brand Luther*, April 2017
- Martin Luther's three "reforming treatises" of 1520: *On the Freedom of a Christian*, *To the Christian Nobility of the German Nation*, and *The Babylonian Captivity of the Church*, May 2017
- Summer DVD series: "Saving Jesus redux: an exploration of a credible Jesus for the third millennium"
- Douglas Knight and Amy-Jill Levine, *The Meaning of the Bible: What the Jewish Scriptures and the Christian Old Testament Can Teach Us*, August-Sept. 2017