

Additional Resources

Books About the Liturgical Year

- Conway Ireton, Kimberlee. *The Circle of Seasons: Meeting God in the Church Year*. Downers Grove, Ill.: InterVarsity Press, 2008. An accessible and appealing introduction to the Christian year through the eyes and experiences of a young mother.
- Mathewes-Green, Frederica. *Facing East: A Pilgrim's Journey into the Mysteries of Orthodoxy*. New York: HarperSanFrancisco, 1997. An engaging memoir of entering with her family into Eastern Orthodoxy as told through the lens of one liturgical year in that tradition.
- Stookey, Laurence Hull. *Calendar: Christ's Time for the Church*. Nashville: Abingdon, 1996. A theologically robust treatment of the liturgical year with mainline churches primarily in view.
- Webber, Robert E. *Ancient-Future Time: Forming Spirituality Through the Christian Year*. Grand Rapids: Baker, 2004. A thorough overview of the Christian year and how it can become formative for our spiritual lives.
- Webber, Robert E., ed. *The Services of the Christian Year*. Complete Library of Christian Worship, vol. 5. Nashville: Star Song, 1994. A comprehensive resource for church leaders of all denominations for understanding and using the Christian year in congregational worship.

Books to Enrich Devotional Reflection

- Imaging the Word: An Arts and Lectionary Resource*. 3 vols. Cleveland, Ohio: United Church Press, 1994-1996. A set of beautiful coffee-table-sized books, corresponding to the three lectionary cycles, combining Scripture texts, quotations, poetry and art for each week of the year.
- L'Engle, Madeleine, and Luci Shaw. *Winter Song: Christmas Readings*. Wheaton, Ill.: Harold Shaw, 1996. A compilation of excerpts and poems from the writings of these two well-known Christian literary figures.
- Pennoyer, Greg, and Gregory Wolfe, eds. *God with Us: Rediscovering the Mean-*

ing of Christmas. Brewster, Mass.: Paraclete, 2007. A glossy volume for Advent and Christmas combining art and scriptural meditations from Scott Cairns, Emilie Griffin, Richard John Neuhaus, Kathleen Norris, Eugene Peterson, Beth Bevis and Luci Shaw.

Purcell, Steven D. *Even Among These Rocks: A Spiritual Journey*. Brewster, Mass.: Paraclete, 2000. A poetic sharing of one man's personal Lenten journey, presented in his own calligraphy with generous helpings of art, music and literature. A treasure of a book.

Sourcebook series from Liturgy Training Publications in Chicago. Multiple volumes covering the seasons of the year, providing a wealth of liturgical texts from Scripture, hymns, and the works of church leaders ancient and contemporary.

Watch for the Light and *Bread and Wine*. Farmington, Penn.: Plough, 2001, 2003. Two volumes of readings from a range of literary and theological writers for the Cycles of Light and Life, respectively.

Wright, Wendy. *The Vigil*, *The Rising* and *The Time Between*. Nashville: Upper Room, 1992, 1994, 1999. Three volumes to cover the cycles of the year with an insightful weave of personal story and spiritual reflection, drawing from a variety of literary, artistic and theological resources.

For a full list of suggested resources, visit the page for *Living the Christian Year* on www.ivpress.com.