## 10 Things to Know about

## **Augsburg Fortress**

## **PUBLISHERS**

- 1. A new series by Augsburg Fortress is For the Sake of the World: ReEngaging ELCA Social Teaching. Current titles include ReEngaging ELCA Social Teaching on The Church in Society and ReEngaging ELCA Social Teaching on Abortion, with additional releases planned in 2025.
- 2. The latest Worship Matters book by Augsburg Fortress is *Preparing the Assembly's Worship* which supports pastors, musicians, lay people, planning committees, and anyone else involved in worship planning.
- 3. Recent releases by Fortress Press to support ministry professionals in their challenging and rewarding work include Refilling the Reservoirs: Spiritual Care for the Exhausted Caregiver and Spiritual Care First Aid: An All-Hands Approach for Church and Community.
- 4. Read and explore scripture with Lutheran Study Bible, Second Edition (New Revised Standard Version Updated Edition) featuring new and updated study notes, articles, and charts. Available this summer from Augsburg Fortress.
- 5. Launching this summer! The new Bible study from Augsburg Fortress is **Together by Grace: Bible Conversations**, a series that invites all to the table to dig deep and make connections. The first two studies cover Matthew and Romans.
- 6. Augsburg Fortress publishes inspiring music for worship with our latest Let It Rip! release, Brenda Portman's "My Shepherd, You Supply My Need," and the collection A Garland of Graces: Music for Organ and C Instrument.
- 7. Introducing the latest Mouth House book titled **See Me, Believe Me: A Guide to Deepen Allyship with Congregational Leaders of Color** by Rev. Dr. Yolanda Denson-Byers, with chapters outlining concrete steps in the journey of allyship.
- 8. Broadleaf Books offers a collection of titles on Christian nationalism that can help congregations understand and take action, including the new release by Rev. Angela Denker titled **Disciples of White Jesus: The Radicalization of American Boyhood**.
- 9. Beaming Books has just released two new books for the Easter season: Look-and-Find Easter Stories for Young Children and Mary and the Gardener.
- 10. We provide vibrant resources for worship and faith formation through our online subscription platforms: SundaysandSeasons.com and Sparkhouse Digital.

Want to learn more? Follow us on social media, sign up for our free e-newsletters, and connect with us this summer at the Churchwide Assembly and our Music Clinics!

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## 10 Ways to Support Your Publisher

- 1. **Get to know our 5 imprints.** Augsburg Fortress Publishers is made up of Augsburg Fortress (meeting needs of ELCA congregations like yours!), Sparkhouse (faith formation curriculum plus some terrific books), Fortress Press (academic and ministry-focused books galore), Broadleaf Books (nonfiction books that promote the common good) and Beaming Books (children's books to help kids thrive).
- 2. **Sign up for our e-newsletters.** We offer e-newsletters to help you learn more about congregational resources for worship and music, Bible study, devotional life, faith formation, and more. From worship resources to Bible study, faith formation to devotional life—there's something for every kind of ministry leader.
- 3. Use our devotionals. We'll send a free weekly devo to your inbox every Monday! Enjoy daily devotions with our quarterly subscription devotionals (Christ in Our Home and The Word in Season), plus seasonal ones for Advent and Lent and our annual Bread for the Day resource.
- 4. Follow, like, and share on our social media sites. Our imprints post lively content on Facebook and Instagram to offer inspiration, preview new products, and inform about upcoming releases. Share the posts you like with your own networks!
- 5. Order church supplies from us. We offer communion wafers, candles, offering envelopes, and more. Our well-trained, friendly Sales and Service team can answer questions, place orders, and resolve issues better than any online retail giant.
- 6. Attend a free Music Clinic in your area. We host five Augsburg Fortress Music Clinics every summer for church musicians and worship leaders to preview new music, learn from esteemed clinicians, network with other church musicians, and shop at our store. Each Music Clinic features an evening hymn festival that all singers will love—especially the church musician who can just show up instead of leading!
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- 8. Find and support your Synod Advocate. We've started a new Synod Advocate program to connect more personally with your synod's staff. We provide free books, resource recommendations, special event discounts, and top-notch concierge service. Please pray for these efforts to build deeper connections between your publisher and your synod!
- 9. Request our books at your local library. Many public libraries offer patrons a way to request book purchases. If you have a favorite title of ours, ask your library to carry it! Search on their website for "purchase request" or ask a trusty librarian for help.
- 10. Pray for us! Our coast-to-coast congregational team develops, edits, project manages, designs, markets, and sells the resources you use in your church. We appreciate your prayers for our work, that we may be guided by the Holy Spirit as we carry out our mission of communicating the good news of God's liberating grace near and far!

