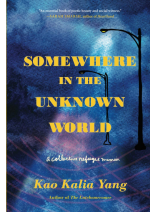


## ADOPT-A-BOOK MARCH 27 AND APRIL 3 - ADULT AND CHILDREN'S BOOKLIST -

### Adult Books for St. Luke's Church Adopt-a-Book Sale - March 27 and April 3, 2022

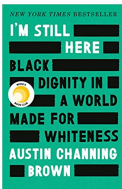
#### **REFUGEES. IMMIGRATION**



*Somewhere in the Unknown World* by Kao Kalia Yang

There is no single refugee experience, and yet there are some [experiences that refugees have in common](#). This paradox—uniqueness and commonality—hovers under the surface of Kao Kalia Yang's new book, which she calls a "collective refugee memoir." Reviewer Amy Frykholm writes: "As I read their stories, I thought, *Yang must be an extraordinarily good listener*. She captures each voice and each person, not only the basics of their stories but also the feeling behind them." Yang seems to have done the impossible here. As our country begins allowing more refugees in for resettlement, "this book will be an invaluable resource for the communities that are poised to welcome them."

#### **RACIAL JUSTICE**



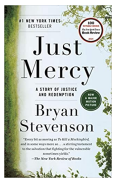
*I'm Still Here: Black dignity in a world made for whiteness* by Austin Channing Brown

An illuminating look at how white, middle-class, Evangelicalism has participated in an era of rising racial hostility, inviting the reader to confront apathy, recognize God's ongoing work in the world, and discover how blackness—if we let it—can save us all.



*The 1619 Project: A new origin story* by Nikole Hannah-Jones and The New York Times Magazine

This is a book that speaks directly to our current moment, contextualizing the systems of race and caste within which we operate today. It reveals long-glossed-over truths around our nation's founding and construction—and the way that the legacy of slavery did not end with emancipation, but continues to shape contemporary American life.



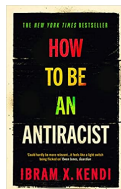
*Just Mercy: A story of justice and redemption* - by Bryan Stevenson

A powerful true story about the potential for mercy to redeem us, and a clarion call to fix our broken system of justice - from one of the most brilliant and influential lawyers of our time.



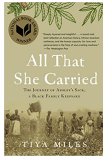
*His Truth is Marching On: John Lewis and the Power of Hope* by Jon Meacham

An intimate and revealing portrait of civil rights icon and longtime US congressman, linking his life to the painful quest for justice in America from the 1950s to the present.



*How to Be an Antiracist* by Ibram X. Kendi

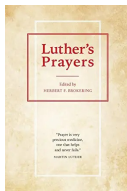
In this rousing and deeply empathetic book, Ibram X. Kendi, one of the world's most influential scholars of racism, shows that neutrality is not an option: until we become part of the solution, we can only be part of the problem.



*All That She Carried: The journey of Ashley's sack, a black family's keepsake* by Tiya Miles

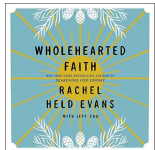
A poignant story of resilience and of love passed down through generations of women against steep odds, a singular and revelatory history of the experience of slavery, and the uncertain freedom afterward, in the United States.

**FAITH FORMATION, CHRISTIAN LIVING**



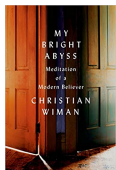
*Luther's Prayers* - Herbert F. Brokering

It is clear that Luther's faith and confession became devotion and prayer, and his interpretation was rooted and strengthened and nourished in this. Luther's powerful prayers are on topics spanning all of life: the soldier, employer, politician, pastor, sick person, parent, newlywed, teacher. Five hundred years later, these prayers still ring true today, calling us into an ever-closer relationship with God.



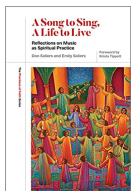
*Wholehearted Faith* by Rachel Held Evans

Through theological reflection and personal recollection, Rachel wrestles with God's grace and love, looks unsparingly at what the Church is and does, and explores universal human questions about becoming and belonging. An unforgettable, moving, and intimate book.



*My Bright Abyss: Meditation of a modern Believer* by Christian Wiman

Joyful, sorrowful, and beautifully written, *My Bright Abyss* is destined to become a spiritual classic, useful not only to believers but to anyone whose experience of life and art seems at times to overbrim its boundaries.



*A Song to Sing, a Life to Live: Reflections on Music as Spiritual Practice* by Don Saliers and Emily Saliers

The book explores a wide variety of musical traditions and offers an invitation to embrace a broader and deeper vision of the power of music and the spiritual dimensions of attentive listening. "This is a beautiful expression of music as many things--healer, gift, symbol of freedom and community, and agent of change"

**PARENTING, FAMILY ISSUES**



*Little Steps, Big Faith: How the Science of Early Childhood Development Can Help You Grow Your Child's Faith* by Dawn Rundman

From brain science to language development and social skills, we've never known more about how children's minds develop in the first five years of life. Yet with all the information available, Christian parents may find themselves confused about how to apply these learnings to daily life with their children. In *Little Steps, Big Faith*, early childhood expert Dr. Dawn Rundman navigates the research to arrive at surprising insights about how very young children experience God, and how parents can use science to teach faith.



*They Don't Come with Instructions: Cries, Wisdom, and Hope for Parenting Children with Developmental Disabilities* by Hollie M. Holt-Woehl

The book focuses on the challenges of parenting children with Autism Spectrum

Disorder (ASD), Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (ADD/ADHD), and/or Fetal Alcohol Syndrome (FAS). Not only parents, but friends, family, and members of faith communities who seek to understand what it is like to live with a developmentally challenged child will appreciate Holt-Woehl's down-to-earth and compassionate approach.

## **ENVIRONMENT, CREATION**

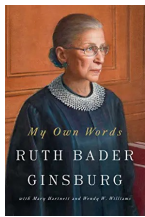


*Nature's Best Hope: A New Approach to Conservation That Starts in Your Yard* by Douglas W. Tallamy. *Nature's Best Hope* shows how homeowners everywhere can turn their yards into conservation corridors that provide wildlife habitats. Because this approach relies on the initiatives of private individuals, it is immune from the whims of government policy. Even more important, it's practical, effective, and easy—you will walk away with specific suggestions you can incorporate into your own yard.

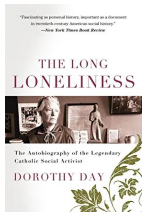


*101 Ways to go Zero Waste* by Kathryn Kellogg. This is a practical, friendly blueprint of realistic lifestyle changes for anyone who wants to reduce their waste.

## **MEMOIRS, BIOGRAPHY**

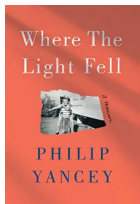


\**My Own Words* by Ruth Bader Ginsburg. Witty, engaging, serious, and playful, *My Own Words* is a fascinating glimpse into the life of one of America's most influential women and "a tonic to the current national discourse"



*The Long Loneliness: The autobiography of the legendary Catholic Social Activist* by Dorothy Day

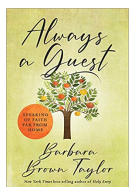
Here is an account of Dorothy Day's life of social activism, her spiritual pilgrimage, and her legacy as a founder of the Catholic Worker Movement.



*Where the Light Fell* by Philip Yancey

Philip Yancey recounts his unexpected journey from strict fundamentalism to a life of compassion and grace. It is a gripping family story involving a shocking secret that seemed to harden his mother's religious convictions, and sent Philip and his brother on divergent paths. Bible Belt beliefs collide with the civil rights movement, and compel the author to question all he was taught, as he pieces together his fragmented personal history in search of redemption.

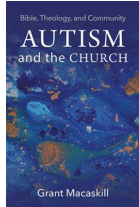
## **CONGREGATIONAL AND COMMUNITY LIFE**



*Always a Guest* by Barbara Brown Taylor

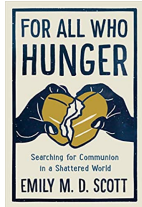
From beloved writer and renowned preacher Barbara Brown Taylor comes a new collection of stories and sermons of faith, grace, and hope. Taylor, author of the best-selling books *Holy Envy* and *An Altar in the World*, among others, finds that

when you are the invited guest speaking of faith to people you don't know, one must seek common ground: exploring the central human experience. Full of Taylor's astute observations on the Spirit and the state of the world along with her gentle wit, this collection will inspire Taylor's fans and preachers alike as she explores faith in all its beauty and complexity.



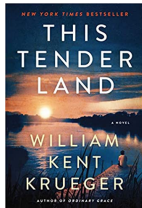
*Autism and the Church* by Grant Macaskill

This book teaches readers that those with autism belong to the church, demonstrating that, if responsibly read, the Bible provides a resource that enables the church to recognize the value of those with autism. Macaskill shows how the Bible can help both individuals and church bodies flourish, even as the church deals faithfully with the opportunities and challenges that come with understanding autism. He writes as a biblical scholar intimately familiar with the experience of autism, dealing honestly with the real difficulties that can accompany the condition, while challenging misconceptions



*\*For All Who Hunger: Searching for Communion in a Shattered World* By Emily M.D. Scott The founding pastor of St. Lydia's Church in Brooklyn, New York, tells of her ministry to a diverse group of people from all walks of life, some poor, some lonely, but all looking for community and meaning in life. They share worship over a meal, and even after Hurricane Sandy had a disastrous impact on many, their Dinner Church continued to accompany and care for one another. The tender, sometimes humorous, stories illuminate how "being church" brings people together knowing they are loved by God, and there is a place at the table for everyone.

## **FICTION**



*This Tender Land: A novel* by William Kent Krueger 1932 novel about 4 native American orphans who take off down the Mississippi on a life-changing odyssey during the Great Depression. *This Tender Land* is an enthralling, big-hearted epic that shows how the magnificent American landscape connects us all, haunts our dreams, and makes us whole.

## Children's Books for St. Luke's Church Adopt-a-Book Sale - March 27 and April 3, 2022

### STORIES WITH RACIALLY DIVERSE CHARACTERS



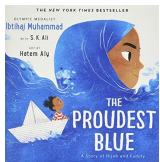
*Thank You, Omu!* By Oge Mora

Everyone in the neighborhood dreams of a taste of Omu's delicious stew! One by one, they follow their noses toward the scrumptious scent. And one by one, Omu offers a portion of her meal. Soon the pot is empty. Has she been so generous that she has nothing left for herself?



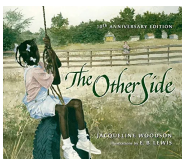
*Saturday* by Oge Mora

In this warm and tender story by the Caldecott Honor-winning creator of *Thank You, Omu!*, join a mother and daughter on an up-and-down journey that reminds them of what's best about Saturdays: precious time together.



*The Proudest Blue: A story of hijab and family* by Ibtihaj Muhammad

With her new backpack and light-up shoes, Faizah knows the first day of school is going to be special. It's the start of a brand new year and, best of all, it's her older sister Asiya's first day of hijab--a hijab of beautiful blue fabric, like the ocean waving to the sky. But not everyone sees hijab as beautiful, and in the face of hurtful, confusing words, Faizah will find new ways to be strong.



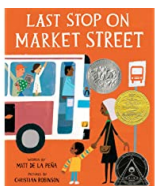
*The Other Side* by Jacqueline Woodson

Clover's mom says it isn't safe to cross the fence that segregates their African-American side of town from the white side where Anna lives. But the two girls strike up a friendship, and get around the grown-ups' rules by sitting on top of the fence together.



*The Celebration Place* by Dorena Williamson

This book shows children that church is a place where we celebrate who God is but we also get to celebrate one another. There are so many diverse and beautiful expressions of worship pictured in the book, showing that this is God's heart. Jesus' sacrifice made this celebration possible and the Holy Spirit's power is what brings us together,



*Last Stop on Market Street* by Matt De La Pena

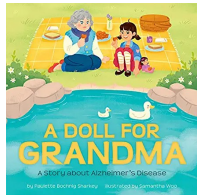
An inclusive ode to kindness, empathy, gratitude, and finding joy in unexpected places, it celebrates the special bond between a curious young boy and his loving grandmother.

## **DISABILITIES/LIFE ISSUES**



*Just Ask: Be different, be brave, be you* by Sonja Sotomayor

Using her own experience as a child who was diagnosed with diabetes, Justice Sotomayor writes about children with all sorts of challenges--and looks at the special powers those kids have as well. As the kids work together to build a community garden, asking questions of each other along the way, this book encourages readers to do the same: When we come across someone who is different from us but we're not sure why, all we have to do is *Just Ask*.



*A Doll for Grandma: A Story about Alzheimer's Disease*, by Paulette Bochnig Sharkey

*A Doll for Grandma* poignantly and sensitively tells the story of a girl's empathy and kindness in the face of her grandmother's growing dementia. Perfect for children grappling with their changing relationship with a family member who has dementia or Alzheimer's disease. *A Doll for Grandma* also includes a parent page to encourage family discussion and reflection.

*The List of Things That Will Not Change* by Rebecca Stead



After her parents' divorce, Bea's life became different in many ways. But she can always look back at the list she keeps in her green notebook to remember the things that will stay the same. The first and most important: Mom and Dad will always love Bea, and each other. When Dad tells Bea that he and his boyfriend, Jesse, are getting married, Bea is thrilled. Bea loves Jesse, and when he and Dad get married, she'll finally (finally!) have what she's always wanted--a sister. Even though she's never met Jesse's daughter, Sonia, Bea is sure that they'll be just like sisters anywhere. As the wedding day approaches, Bea will learn that making a new family brings questions, surprises, and joy.



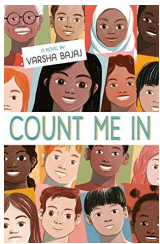
*The New kid* by Jerry Craft

A graphic novel about starting over at a new school where diversity is low and the struggle to fit in is real.

## **RACIAL JUSTICE**



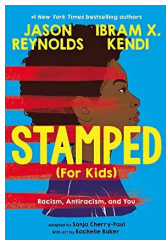
*March (Trilogy Slipcase Set)* (Graphic Novel) by John Lewis, Andre Aydin, and Nate Powell  
Discover the inside story of the Civil Rights Movement through the eyes of one of its most iconic figures, Congressman John Lewis. *March* is the award-winning, #1 bestselling graphic novel trilogy recounting his life in the movement, co-written with Andrew Aydin and drawn by Nate Powell. This commemorative set contains all three volumes of *March* in a beautiful slipcase



*Count Me In* by Varsha Bajaj

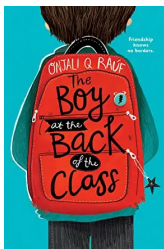
An uplifting story, told through the alternating voices of two middle-schoolers, in which a community rallies to reject racism. Bajaj explores what it means to be an immigrant, how hate lingers in America, what that hate can do, and ultimately leads us to the conclusion that there is more love in the world than hate.

*Stamped (for kids): Racism, Antiracism, and You:* by Jason Reynolds and Ibram X. Kendi

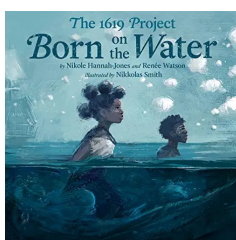


RACE. Uh-oh. The R-word. But actually talking about race is one of the most important things to learn how to do. Adapted from the groundbreaking bestseller *Stamped: Racism, Antiracism, and You*, this book takes readers on a journey from present to past and back again. Kids will discover where racist ideas came from, identify how they impact America today, and meet those who have fought racism with antiracism. Along the way, they'll learn how to identify and stamp out racist thoughts in their own lives. Ibram X. Kendi's research, Jason Reynolds's and Sonja Cherry-Paul's writing, and Rachelle Baker's art come together in this vital read, enhanced with a glossary, timeline, and more. Till. Ages 6-10

*The Boy at the Back of the Class* by Onjali Q. Rauf



There used to be an empty chair at the back of Mrs. Khan's classroom, but on the third Tuesday of the school year a new kid fills it: nine-year-old Ahmet, a Syrian refugee. The whole class is curious about this new boy--he doesn't seem to smile, and he doesn't talk much. But after learning that Ahmet fled a "Very Real War" and was separated from his family along the way, a determined group of his classmates band together to concoct the Greatest Idea in the World--a magnificent plan to reunite Ahmet with his loved ones. The book reminds readers that everyone deserves a place to call home. Ages 8-12



*The 1619 Project's BORN ON THE WATER* By Nikole Hannah-Jones and Renée Watson

This book "does not seek to hide the pain and cruelty of slavery, but also affirms that Black culture predates our enslavement, that the Black American experience is also embodied by love and resistance, and that an inhumane

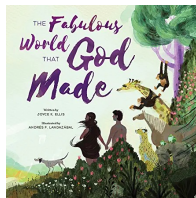
system could never strip the humanity of a people. It is a story of affirmation for every Black child, and a story of America that will speak to every child no matter their race.”

## **ENVIRONMENT/CREATION**



*Once Upon Another Time* by Matt Forrest Esenwine (Author)...

Once upon another time, the world was young and new. If you want to know this world, there's something you can do.... With sweeping landscapes and up-close details of the natural world, *Once Upon Another Time* takes readers through a lyrical exploration of the world as it was before humans made their mark. Contrasting the past with the present, this expansive picture book serves as a warm invitation for children--and all people--to appreciate, explore, and protect the magic and wonder of this planet we call home.



*The Fabulous World That God Made* by Joyce K. Ellis (Author) ...

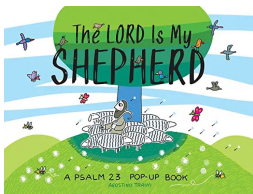
With stunning illustrations paired with rhythmic, dynamic descriptions of the sun, land, water, animals, and the first people, *The Fabulous World that God Made* presents an expansive, delightful romp through the Bible's creation story. Joyce K. Ellis and Andrés Landazábal's picture book is sure to enthrall readers of all ages and invite them to consider their own role in the fabulous world that God made.



*Greta's Story: The Schoolgirl who Went on Strike to Save the Planet* by Valentina Cameron

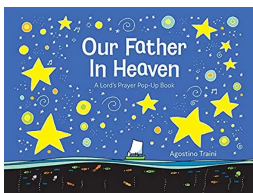
The inspiring true story for middle grades of Greta Thunberg, a young eco-activist whose persistence sparked a global movement.

## **FAITH FORMATION**



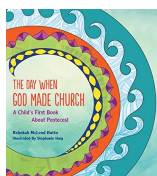
*The Lord Is My Shepherd: A Psalm 23 Pop-Up Book* by Agostino Traini

Readers will feel the comfort and assurance of God's love and protection as they experience this delightful interpretation of Psalm 23 with their children. Scenes of a shepherd protecting and caring for his sheep will have children thinking about the ways that God loves and cares for them. Italian artist and paper designer Agostino Traini's artful pop-ups bring this timeless text to life in a whole new way for *all* readers—whether they are reading the psalm for the first time or the thousandth.



*Our Father in Heaven: A Lord's Prayer Pop-Up Book.* by Agostino Traini (Illustrator)

Our Father in Heaven, hallowed be your name...The prayer that Jesus taught to his disciples is one of the most famous sacred texts in the world, spoken each Sunday in different languages by Christians across countries and denominations. In this book, the timeless prayer is given a respectful pop-up treatment by world-renowned paper artist Agostino Traini, who brings the well-known words to life in surprising ways. I



*The Day When God Made Church* by Rebekah McLeod Hutto

The story of Pentecost and how the Holy Spirit shaped, and continues to shape, who we are as God's Church. Children will learn the story of Pentecost: the



sights, sounds, and events of that miraculous day described in the Book of Acts. They will also discover who the Holy Spirit is and how God calls each of us to follow Jesus. At the end, parents, educators, ministers will discover fresh ways to celebrate Pentecost with children in their own churches and families.