

Mary & Martha's Place Book List, 1994 – Present

Fall 2018 – Winter/Spring 2019

Why Religion? By Elaine Pagels

Grateful by Diana Butler Bass

Fall 2017 – Winter/Spring 2018

Braving the Wilderness by Brené Brown

Healing the Heart of Democracy by Parker Palmer

Fall 2016 – Winter/Spring 2017

Hillbilly Elegy by J. D. Vance

Becoming Wise: An Inquiry into the Mystery and Art of Living by Krista Tippett

Fall 2015 – Winter/Spring 2016

Grounded by Diana Butler Bass

Second Wind: Navigating the Passage to a Slower, Deeper, and More Connected Life by Bill Thomas

Fall 2014–Winter/Spring 2015

Learning to Walk in the Dark by Barbara Brown Taylor

The Rebirthing of God by John Philip Newell

Fall 2013 – Winter/Spring 2014

Proof of Heaven: A Neurosurgeon's Journey into the Afterlife by Eben Alexander, MD

8 Habits of Love by Ed Bacon

Fall 2012 – Winter/Spring 2013

Broken Open by Elizabeth Lesser

Falling Upward: A Spirituality for the Two Halves of Life by Richard Rohr

The Wisdom Jesus: Transforming Heart and Mind – a New Perspective on Christ and His Message by Cynthia Bourgeault

Fall 2010 – Winter/Spring 2011

Take This Bread: A Radical Conversion by Sara Miles

The Meaning of Mary Magdalene by Cynthia Bourgeault

Scarred By Struggle, Transformed by Hope by Joan Chittister

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An Altar in the World: A Geography of Faith by Barbara Brown Taylor

Tales of Wonder by Huston Smith

The Naked Now by Richard Rohr

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My Grandfather's Blessings by Rachel Naomi Remen

A New Earth by Eckhart Tolle

Living Deeply: The Art and Science of Transformation in Everyday Life by Marilyn Schlitz, Cassandra Vieten, Tina Amorok

Fall 2007 – Winter/Spring 2008

Eat, Pray, Love by Elizabeth Gilbert

The Wisdom Way of Knowing: Reclaiming the Ancient Tradition to Awaken the Heart by Cynthia Bourgeault

The Active Life: A Spirituality of Work, Creativity, and Caring by Parker Palmer

Fall 2006 – Winter/Spring 2007

On Desire: Why We Want What We Want by William B. Irvine

The Wounding and Healing of Desire: Weaving Heaven and Earth by Wendy Farley

Addiction and Grace: Love and Spirituality in the Healing of Addictions by Gerald May

Leaving Church: A Memoir of Faith by Barbara Brown Taylor

The Places That Scare You: A Guide to Fearlessness in Difficult Times by Pema Chodron

A Short History of Myth by Karen Armstrong

Fall 2005 – Winter/Spring 2006

I Will Not Die an Unlived Life: Reclaiming Purpose and Passion by Dawna Markova

The Second Half of Life by Angeles Arrien

Unreliable Truth: On Memoir and Memory by Maureen Murdock

Inventing the Rest of Our Lives: Women in Second Adulthood by Suzanne Levine

The Heroine's Journey: Women's Quest for Wholeness by Maureen Murdock

Faith and Feminism: A Holy Alliance by Helen LaKelly Hunt

The Spiral Staircase: My Climb Out of Darkness by Karen Armstrong

Fall 2004 – Winter/Spring 2005

Contemplative Heart by James Finley

Inner Simplicity: 100 Ways to Regain Peace and Nourish Your Soul by Elaine St. James

Living the Simple Life: A Guide to Scaling Down and Enjoying More by Elaine St. James

Lighten Up: Free Yourself from Clutter by Michelle Passoff

Fall 2003 – Winter/Spring 2004

The DaVinci Code by Dan Brown

Beyond the Life of Pi by Yann Martel

The Art of Possibility by Rosamund Stone Zander and Benjamin Zander

Experiential program, "We are Flutes for the Divine Breath"

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Dreams: God's Forgotten Language by John Sanford
Reconciliation: Mission and Ministry in a Changing Social Order by Robert Schreiter
Why Christianity Must Change or Die by John Shelby Spong
Ecology of a Cracker Childhood by Janisse Ray
Ten Poems to Change Your Life by Roger Housden
Heart of Flesh: A Feminist Spirituality for Women and Men by Joan D. Chittister

Fall 2001 – Winter/Spring 2002

Life Abundant: Rethinking Technology and Economy for a Planet in Peril by Sallie McFague
Islam: A Short History by Karen Armstrong
My Soul in Silence Waits by Margaret Guenther
Tending the Earth, Mending the Spirit: The Healing Gifts of Gardening by Connie Goldman and Richard Mahler
The Red Tent by Anita Diamant
The God We Never Knew: Beyond Dogmatic Religion to a More Authentic Contemporary Faith by Marcus Borg
A Woman's Path: Women's Best Spiritual Travel Writing by McCauley, Carlson & Leo, ed.
How Then Shall We Live? By Wayne Muller
The Artist's Way: A Spiritual Path to Higher Creativity by Julia Cameron

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Sabbath: Finding Rest, Renewal and Delight in Our Busy Lives by Wayne Muller
A Place to Pray: Reflections on the Lord's Prayer by Roberta Bondi
The Luminous Web: Essays on Science and Religion by Barbara Brown Taylor
Listening for the Heartbeat of God by J. Philip Newell
Listening for God: A Minister's Journey Through Silence and Doubt by Renita J. Weems
A Border Passage: From Cairo to America – A Woman's Journey by Leila Ahmed
The Bond Between Women: A Journey to Fierce Compassion by China Galland
Another Country: Navigating the Emotional Terrain of Our Elders by Mary Pipher

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The Gifts of the Jews: How a Tribe of Desert Nomads Changed the Way Everyone Thinks and Feels by Thomas Cahill

God, Sex and Women of the Bible: Discovering Our Sensual, Spiritual Selves by Shoni Labowitz

Saving Jesus From Those Who Are Right: Rethinking What It Means to Be Christian by Carter Heyward

At the Root of This Longing: Reconciling a Spiritual Hunger and a Feminist Thirst by Carol Lee Flinders

Take Your Time: Finding Balance in a Hurried World by Eknath Easwaran

When Things Fall Apart: Heart Advice for Difficult Times by Pema Chodron

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Women's Spirituality: Resources for Christian Development edited by Joan Wolski Conn

Practicing Our Faith: A Way of Life for a Searching People edited by Dorothy Bass

The Celtic Way of Prayer: Recovery of the Religious Imagination by Esther de Waal

Enduring Grace: Living Portraits of Seven Women Mystics by Carol Lee Flinders

Do What You Have the Power to Do: Stories of Six New Testament Women by Helen Pearson

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Jubilee Time: Celebrating Women, Spirit and the Advent of Age by Maria Harris

Women Who Run with the Wolves by Clarissa Pinkola Estes

The Chalice and the Blade by Riane Eisler

Choosing to Lead: Women and the Crisis of American Values by Constance Buchanan

Just a Sister Away by Renita J. Weems

Women at the Well by Kathleen Fischer

Cloister Walk by Kathleen Norris

Fall 1996

Dance of the Dissident Daughter by Sue Monk Kidd

Meeting Jesus Again for the First Time by Marcus Borg

Walking a Sacred Path: Rediscovering the Labyrinth as a Spiritual Tool by Lauren Artress

1994-1995

A Tree Full of Angels: Seeing the Holy in the Ordinary by Macrina Wiederkehr

Memories of God by Roberta Bondi

Inheriting Our Mothers' Gardens: Feminist Theology in Third World Perspective edited by Katie Cannon

The Gnostic Gospels by Elaine Pagels

She Who Is: The Mystery of God in Feminist Theological Discourse by Elizabeth A. Johnson

A Warm, Moist, Salty God: Women Journeying Towards Wisdom by Edwina Gately

The World's Religions by Huston Smith