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**RESET THE HEART: UNLEARNING VIOLENCE, RELEARNING HOPE** by Mai-Anh Le Tran. [c. 2017] Jack L. Seymour, professor at Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary in Illinois, offers this comment: “When violence has become normal and lying in public is accepted, your most important act of embodied hope may be to read *Reset the Heart*. In this significant and risky book, Tran offers profound, concrete examples of how churches can build community, engage in acts of redemption, and educate for a new life. She also shows us how to challenge the church to live the good news.” [261.8 Tra]



**FEAR OF THE OTHER: NO FEAR IN LOVE** by William H. Willimon. [c. 2016] Excerpts from endorsements on book cover: Adam Hamilton states “Will writes with prophetic sarcasm, a touch of humor, plenty of self-effacement, and a pastor’s heart. And his words will make you laugh, cringe, cry, confess, and repent. This book is a very timely book.” Tex Sample: “This gutsy, biblically rich, theologically searing book by Willimon gigs everybody’s sacred cow. Not only is the one whom Christ loves Other but God is Other. . . . If you are holed-up happy with people who look like you, don’t read this thing. It will screw up your mind.” The Leader Kit includes a copy of the book, Leader Guide and DVD that provides approximately 15 minutes for each session. The study is designed for five sessions or episodes. [C 230 Wil]

**THANK GOD IT’S THURSDAY: ENCOUNTERING JESUS AT THE LORD’S TABLE AS IF FOR THE LAST TIME** by William H. Willimon. [c. 2013] From the Introduction: “In intensifying his whole ministry at a meal, Jesus leads us into a world that is thick with subtle, secret meaning. A meal in which a piece of bread is called ‘my body broken for you,’ a cup of wine designated as ‘my blood shed for you’ is almost too rich a metaphorical feast. We can spend a lifetime attempting to plumb the depths of such a mystery and never exhaust, much less consume, the meaning.” [225 Wil]

**SURPRISED BY SCRIPTURE: ENGAGING CONTEMPORARY ISSUES** by N. T. Wright. [c. 2014] From the book cover: “In this collection of timely essays, bishop, Bible scholar, and bestselling author N. T. Wright deftly probes the cultural and religious mores of our day, exploring topics such as the ordination of women, the role Christians play in caring for the environment, the science-versus-scripture debates, and more, showing us a vibrant and restorative way to move forward.” [261 Wri]

**THE POOR AND THE PEOPLE CALLED METHODISTS**, edited by Richard P. Heitzenrater. [c. 2002] “*The Poor and the People Called Methodists* merits serious attention by all United Methodists who are committed to understanding and appropriating Wesleyan theology and tradition. The contributors to this informative, inspiring, and provocative volume clearly demonstrate that relationships and ministry with the economically poor are constitutive of Christian theology and discipleship as understood by John and Charles Wesley.” Kenneth L. Carder, Bishop, UMC.

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THE SURPRISING IMAGINATION OF C. S. LEWIS: AN INTRODUCTION by Jerry Root and Mark Neal. [c. 2015] In the Introduction the authors state: "We hope that readers will make a lifelong study of Lewis so that they will grow in knowledge and character. But we don't want you to stop with Lewis. Lewis would not want that either. Lewis opened more than wardrobe doors. In opening the covers of this book, may you become thirsty to read more and more in order to cultivate a vigorous love of the life of the imagination." [820 Roo]

GO SET A WATCHMAN: A NOVEL by Harper Lee. [c.2015] [F Lee]