

## Ten Things You Might Not Know about 1517 Media Spring 2019

1. This year we'll release several new **Come to the Water** resources to support Daniel Erlander's two baptism manuals: *Let the Children Come* and *Water Washed and Spirit Born*. Check out the other sacramental resources already published to support Erlander's *A Place for You*. [augsburgfortress.org/cometothewater](http://augsburgfortress.org/cometothewater)
2. Over a dozen distinguished African-descent scholars offer thoughtful viewpoints in **Luther's Small Catechism with African Descent Reflections**. While affirming the gift of Luther's work, these theologians provide a framework for broadening these explanations to address the experiences of Lutherans of African descent. [augsburgfortress.org/african-descent](http://augsburgfortress.org/african-descent)
3. Recent additions to the **Worship Matters** series include handbooks on Preaching, Funerals, and Marriage. These volumes join several existing books that help leaders and laity develop a richer understanding of worship. [augsburgfortress.org/worshipmatters](http://augsburgfortress.org/worshipmatters)
4. Fortress Press, Luther Seminary, and Word & World's board have partnered to launch a new series of books for leaders in the church. Recent releases in this series include *Liberating Youth from Adolescence* by Jeremy Paul Myers and *Elders Rising: The Promise and Peril of Aging* by Roland D. Martinson. [augsburgfortress.org/word-and-world](http://augsburgfortress.org/word-and-world)
5. *Good Grief*, the bestselling book that has helped millions of readers find comfort and rediscover hope after loss has now expanded into a family of resources to help process, understand, and grow through moments of grief. [augsburgfortress.org/good-grief](http://augsburgfortress.org/good-grief)
6. Part manifesto, part confession, and all love letter, *Dear Church: A Love Letter from a Black Preacher to the Whitest Denomination in the US* by Rev. Lenny Duncan offers a bold new vision for the future of the ELCA and the broader mainline Christian community of faith. Duncan rejects the narrative of church decline and calls leaders and laity alike to renew the church through racial equality and justice. [augsburgfortress.org/dear-church](http://augsburgfortress.org/dear-church)
7. Equip high school students to discover what they believe and why they believe it with *T.B.D. Think. Believe. Do*. Four-week sessions for small groups on themes of prayer, sin, mission, and salvation are now available. [augsburgfortress.org/tbd](http://augsburgfortress.org/tbd)
8. This video-based series is designed to help leaders create engaging experiences around challenging topics for small groups. Current titles are *Dialogues On The Refugee Crisis* and *Dialogues On Sexuality*, with more releases to come. [augsburgfortress.org/dialogues-on](http://augsburgfortress.org/dialogues-on)
9. Inspired by the success of *Grit and Grace*, Beaming Books just released a picture book for kids titled *Gritty and Graceful: 15 Inspiring Women of the Bible*. This engaging book will inspire the gritty and graceful girls in your congregation to imagine their place in God's story and how they can make a difference in the world. [augsburgfortress.org/grittyandgraceful](http://augsburgfortress.org/grittyandgraceful)
10. *There's No Wrong Way to Pray* is a picture book written by ELCA pastor Rebecca Ninke and her 10-year-old daughter Kate. It offers a kid-friendly reflection on talking to God in the everyday moments of life. This book will inspire kids of all ages and faith experiences as it reassures them that there's no wrong way to talk to God. [augsburgfortress.org/no-wrong-way](http://augsburgfortress.org/no-wrong-way)

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