Recommended Resources

This resource list has been compiled by <u>AFLC Evangelism & Discipleship</u>—director, board members, staff. A direct link to find the resource online has been included, but many resources (especially books and podcasts) can be found on other websites or platforms. Resources are listed by resource type and then alphabetically. Please <u>contact us</u> if you have questions about any resources.

Books

(many of these books have e-book versions available; the links provided are for print versions)

<u>A Simple Way to Pray</u> by Martin Luther (translated by Matthew C. Harrison), Concordia Publishing House, 2012

<u>Because Jesus Taught It: Christianity Through the Eyes of The Church Fathers</u> by Marcus "FLAME" Gray, Concordia Publishing House, 2025

<u>BLESS: 5 Everyday Ways to Love Your Neighbor and Change the World</u> by Dave Ferguson and Jon Ferguson, Salem Books, 2021

Confessing Jesus: The Heart of Being a Lutheran by Molly Lackey, Concordia Publishing House, 2022

Extra Nos: Discovering Grace Outside Myself by Marcus "FLAME" Gray, Concordia Publishing House, 2023

Faith That Sees Through the Culture by Alfonso Espinosa, Concordia Publishing House, 2018

God at Work: Your Christian Vocation in All of Life by Gene Edward Veith Jr., Crossway, 2002 (reprint 2011)

Grace, Faith, Scripture: Portrait of a Lutheran by Daniel Paavola, Concordia Publishing House, 2019

Grace Upon Grace: Spirituality for Today by John W. Kleinig, Concordia Publishing House, 2008

Handling the Word of Truth: Law and Gospel in the Church Today (revised) by John T. Pless (uses Law and Gospel: How to Read and Apply the Bible by C. F. W. Walther as the foundation for discussion), Concordia Publishing House, 2015

<u>How to Enjoy Reading Your Bible</u> by Keith Ferrin, Bethany House, 2015 (also audio interview with him at <u>flbc.edu/keithferrin</u>)

<u>Large Catechism</u> by Martin Luther (can also be found online at <u>bookofconcord.org</u>), varying editions by various publishers, we suggest the 2010 edition from Concordia Publishing House

<u>Law and Gospel: How to Read and Apply the Bible</u> by C. F. W. Walther, Concordia Publishing House, 2010 (there may be other editions earlier than 2010)

<u>Life Together</u> by Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Harperone, 1978 (other versions available from other publishers)

<u>Luther's Small Catechism: A Manual for Discipleship</u> by John T. Pless, Concordia Publishing House, 2019

<u>Luther For the Busy Man: Daily Devotions from Luther's Sermons on the Standard Gospels</u> from The Free

Lutheran Bible College & Seminary and Ambassador Publications, 2021 (also available at

<u>lutherforthebusyman.org</u> and as a podcast)

<u>On Christian Liberty</u> by Martin Luther, varying editions by various publishers, may be included in anthologies of Luther's works, may also be titled Christian Liberty or The Freedom of a Christian, we suggest the 2003 edition from Augsburg Fortress

On the Holy Spirit by Basil the Great (translated by Stephen Hildebrand), St. Vladimirs Seminary Press, 2011
On the Nature of God and on the Trinity by Johann Gerhard, Concordia Publishing House, 2007
Prayer by O. Hallesby, Augsburg Fortress, 1994 (earlier editions in 1959 and 1931)

<u>Praying Luther's Small Catechism</u> by John T. Pless, Concordia Publishing House, 2016

Psalms: The Prayer Book of the Bible by Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Fortress Press, 1974

Ragged: Spiritual Disciplines for the Spiritually Exhausted by Gretchen Ronnevik, 1517 Publishing, 2021

Sanctification, Christ in Action by Harold L. Senkbeil, Northwestern Publishing House, 1997

Share Jesus Without Fear (revised) by William Fay and Ralph Hodge, LifeWay Press, 2016

<u>Small Catechism</u> by Martin Luther (can also be found online at <u>bookofconcord.ora</u>), varying editions by various publishers, we suggest the 2007 edition from Ambassador Publications

Surprised by Faith by Dr. Don Bierle, Life Sentence Publishing, 2017 (additional editions)

<u>Tactics: A Game Plan for Discussing Your Christian Convictions</u> by Gregory Koukl, Zondervan, 2019
<u>Tell It Often - Tell It Well: Making the Most of Witnessing Opportunities</u> by Mark McCloskey, Thomas Nelson Inc, 1992

<u>The Art of Neighboring: Building Genuine Relationships Right Outside Your Door</u> by Jay Pathak and Dave Runyon, Baker Books, 2012

<u>The Bondage of the Will</u> by Martin Luther, varying editions by various publishers, may be included in anthologies of Luther's works, we suggest the 2012 edition from Baker Books

The Fire and the Staff by Klemet I. Preus, Concordia Publishing House, 2004

The Hammer of God by Bo Giertz, Augsburg Fortress, 2004 revised edition

<u>The Inspiration of Scripture: A Study of the Theology of the 17th Century Lutheran Dogmaticians</u> by Robert Preus, Concordia Publishing House, 1957

The Lutheran Study Bible, published by Concordia Publishing House, 2009

<u>The Proper Distinction Between Law and Gospel</u> by C.F.W. Walther, Concordia Publishing House, 1986 <u>The Spirituality of the Cross: The Way of the First Evangelicals</u> by Gene Edward Veith Jr., Concordia Publishing House, 2021 third edition

<u>This Is My Body: Luther's Contention for the Real Presence in the Sacrament of the Altar</u> by Hermann Sasse, Wipf and Stock Publishers, 2001 (original copyright 1959 by Augsburg Fortress)

<u>Treasury of Daily Prayer</u> Concordia Publishing House, 2008 (there is a digital version that can be used in the InPrayer app)

We Confess (Anthology) by Hermann Sasse, Concordia Publishing House, 1999

What Luther Says compiled by Ewald M. Plass, Concordia Publishing House, 1959

Why I Am a Lutheran: Jesus at the Center by Daniel Preus, Concordia Publishing House, 2004

You Found Me: New Research on How Unchurched Nones, Millenials, and Irreligious Are Surprisingly

Open to Christian Faith by Rick Richardson, InterVarsity Press, 2019

PDF

<u>Baptism Is Not Magic</u> by AFLC Evangelism & Discipleship, print copies available by emailing evangelism@aflc.org

<u>First-Class Faith Sharing: Methods & Motivations</u> by Lutheran Hour Ministries (an audio version is also available) https://www.lhm.org/projectconnect/booklets.asp

Foundations of the Faith: This Is Most Certainly True curriculum from Ambassador Publications

<u>Preparing to Share Your Faith</u> by AFLC Evangelism & Discipleship, print copies available by emailing evangelism@aflc.org

The Kindled Heart: Luther on Meditation by John Kleinig from the Lutheran Theological Journal

https://www.doxology.us/the-kindled-heart-luther-on-meditation/

Who Is Jesus? by Lutheran Hour Ministries (an audio version is also available)

https://www.lhm.org/projectconnect/booklets.asp

<u>21 Day Challenge</u> can be used for personal study or to share with a non-Christian as a way they can learn about Jesus Christ

Podcasts

(can be found on major podcast platforms, some on YouTube)

A Word Fitly Spoken, Michelle Lesley and Amy Spreeman

Being Lutheran Podcast, Pastor Jason Gudim

Concordia Bible Institute (Christ in every word), Brian German

Freely Given, 1517 Podcasts

Issues, Etc., Lutheran Public Radio

Living As A Disciple, AFLC Evangelism & Discipleship

Luther for the Busy Man, Free Lutheran Bible College and Seminary

Table Talk Radio, Rev. Evan Goeglein

The Lutheran Church Planter, AFLC Home Missions

The Lutheran Witness Podcast, KFUO Radio

The Word of the Lord Endures Forever, Lutheran Public Radio

Thinking Fellows, 1517 Podcasts

Just and Sinner Podcast, Rev. Jordan B. Cooper, also youtube.com/@DrJordanBCooper/videos

Websites

<u>aflc.org/evangelism/resources</u> from AFLC Evangelism and Discipleship, variety of resources and reviews <u>ambassadorpublications.org</u> the publishing arm of the AFLC, variety of resources they produce and/or sell <u>bookofconcord.org</u> the entire Book of Concord free, online

dailyoffice2019.com daily prayers and Scripture readings

flbc.edu/media includes videos from conferences, chapel services, etc.

justandsinner.org variety of resources

Lutheran Hour Ministry Resources variety of resources

persecution.com from The Voice of the Martyrs, information and resources on persecuted Christians

Miscellaneous

(you may need to find apps via your device's app store)

Everyone His Witness Evangelism Program from The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod

EveryPsalm Spotify Playlist from Poor Bishop Hooper

<u>InPrayer App</u> can purchase devotionals to read in the app, includes links to other resources

KFUO Radio app Developer: The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod

<u>Spiritual Conversations in the Digital Age</u> from Lutheran Hour Ministries, resources on sharing the Good News in the digital age

<u>The Lutheran Ambassador</u> free monthly magazine that "exists to educate its readers about the AFLC, to encourage the local congregation, to equip Christians for service, and to evangelize our neighbors and the world," physical subscription or <u>online version</u> available

The Mirror: What Do You See? Gospel tract from Ambassador Publications

<u>YouVersion Bible app</u> a.k.a. Bible; Developer: Life.Church; includes many Bible translations, audio versions, and Bible reading/study resources

<u>You Must, You Cannot, You Do</u> video lecture by Dr. Phil Haugen, professor at the Free Lutheran Bible College and Seminary

Resources Produced by the AFLC

Available for free download: aflc.org/resources (select Publications & Materials)

Roots of Freedom

Booklet with information regarding the organization of the Lutheran Free Church, including history, principles, and ministries, with discussion questions. Physical copies available by contacting the AFLC.

Standing Fast in Freedom

Booklet that includes sections regarding the history, structure & organization, doctrinal beliefs, Fundamental Principles & Rules for Work, etc. of the Association of Free Lutheran Congregations. Physical copies available by contacting the AFLC.

What is the Association of Free Lutheran Congregations?

Pamphlet summarizing the purpose, form, and function of the AFLC. Physical copies available by contacting the AFLC.

Welcome to Biblical Lutheranism

Pamphlet that highlights the beliefs of the AFLC. Physical copies available by contacting the AFLC.

Marriage, Family, and the Sanctity of Life

Pamphlet containing AFLC Conference-Approved statements for marriage and the sanctity of life. Physical copies available by <u>contacting the AFLC</u>.

A Study on the Ordination of Women

Pamphlet that is a Biblical response to the question of the ordination of women. Physical copies available by <u>contacting the AFLC</u>.

Homosexuality: God's Word and Our Witness

Booklet including essays, on the topic of homosexuality, written by faculty from the AFLC's Bible College and Seminary. Prepared in 1989. Physical copies available by contacting the AFLC.

Available for purchase: <u>ambassadorpublications.org/store</u>

From Freedom to Life: A History of the AFLC

Part of the AFLC Heritage Series

The Gospel in the Congregation: A Study of the AFLC Fundamental Principles

Study videos available: <u>aflc.org/resources/fundamentalprinciples</u>

Do You Really Want the Congregation?

Presents Georg Sverdrup's view of free and living congregations as the only true expression of the New Testament Church today.

Principles and Practices of Evangelism

How does the AFLC engage the vital mission of evangelism?

Do the Work of an Evangelist: The Theology of Lutheran Evangelism

Biblical meaning of evangelism as understood and applied in Lutheranism.