

## Resources on arts and crafts

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### *General:*

**ART OF FAITH: A GUIDE TO UNDERSTANDING CHRISTIAN IMAGES (814147)** Author: Couchman, Judith. An easy-to-ready guidebook for exploring religious images and symbols in religious art in museums or at your local church. Sections include: The Holy Trinity, The Unseen World, Faithful Followers, Sacred Symbols, and Liturgical Art. Includes glossary, index of art, index of names and terms, and online links for viewing images mentioned in the book. Age: A. 305 Pages.

**BEAD AND A PRAYER: A BEGINNER'S GUIDE TO PROTESTANT PRAYER BEADS (814068)** Author: Vincent, Kristen. This small book provides a four-week Bible study that introduces protestants to prayer beads as a tool for connecting with God. Each week's lesson includes a scripture passage, a weekly reading, a prayer bead experience, and reflection questions. Includes instructions on how to make prayer beads. Age: YAS. 110 Pages.

**BEAD ONE, PRAY TOO: A GUIDE TO MAKING AND USING PRAYER BEADS (808026)** Author: Winston, Kimberly. An inspirational, how-to guide for making and praying with beads, this book takes everyone--from novices to accomplished craftspeople--through the steps of fashioning lovely sets of beads to enhance their spiritual journey. Instructions are provided for Anglican prayer beads, Catholic rosaries, and more. Age: A. 173 Pages.

**BEADS OF HEALING: PRAYER, TRAUMA, AND SPIRITUAL WHOLENESS (817077)** Author: Vincent, Kristen. Sharing her journey of healing from trauma, Kristen Vincent models how to name feelings of grief, shame, fear, and anger and engage in honest conversation with God. This book offers practical ways to use prayer beads to enter conversations with God, stay focused, and sense God's presence. Includes leader's guide for using the book with a small group. Age: YAS. 140 Pages.

**CROSSES OF MANY CULTURES: DESIGNS FOR APPLIQUE (816170)** Author: Mori, Joyce. This book provides basic instruction on applique techniques and patterns for 27 different types of crosses. A brief historical article is provided with each design. Age: A. 73 Pages.

**FABRIC OF FAITH (806204)** Author: Winston, Kimberly. A Guide to the Prayer Quilt Ministry. Chapter titles: Why make prayer quilts?--finding the Spirit in the prayer quilt ministry; A history of the prayer quilt ministry; Stitch one, pray too--finding meaning in the work; The three commandments--rule to sew by; How to make a prayer quilt--putting the pieces together; Crosses and borders--finishing a prayer quilt; The ties that bind us--tying a prayer quilt; Contemplative quilting--inviting God into the process; The dark side--does God hear our prayers?; Many hands make light work--beyond the 'church ladies'; Quilting prayers--words for the prayer quilt ministry; Quilting from the heart--other groups that make quilts with a purpose. Age: A. 118 Pages.

**HANDBOOK OF SYMBOLS IN CHRISTIAN ART (827420)** Author: Sill, Gertrude Grace. Organized like a primer, with hundreds of entries in 50 categories -- from A for Angels to Z for Zodiac -- this handbook enables you to recognize at a glance the identity and meaning of various elements in Christian art. Includes black and white illustrations and a subject index. Age: A. 241 Pages.

**HOMEMADE YEAR: THE BLESSINGS OF COOKING, CRAFTING, AND COMING TOGETHER (814006)** Author: Greer, Jerusalem Jackson. The author shares her experiences of sharing the liturgical year with her family. Includes crafts and recipes. Chapters: Advent; St. Lucy's Day; Christmas Day; St. Stephen's Day; Epiphany; Candlemas; Shrove Tuesday; Ash Wednesday; The Season of Lent; St. Joseph's Day; Palm Sunday; Maundy Thursday; Holy Saturday; Easter; Pentecost Sunday; Corpus Christi; St. James's Day; Ordinary Time; Holy Cross Day; Michaelmas; All Saints' and All Souls' Day; Christ the King Sunday. Age: YA. 212 Pages.

**KNITS FROM THE HEART: QUICK PROJECTS FOR GENEROUS GIVING (804213)** Author: Spurland, Kristin. This book provides instructions for more than 15 projects and a list of 10 national organizations that accept donations of hand-knit items. Patterns include blankets, hats, scarves, mittens, socks, booties, a Christmas stocking, felted animal handpuppets, and even a pet bed. Items also appropriate for church craft sales. Age: A. 79 Pages.

**KNITTING FOR PEACE: MAKE THE WORLD A BETTER PLACE ONE STITCH AT A TIME (815040)** Author: Christiansen, Betty. A collection of knitting patterns and information on a sampling of charity organizations that collect knitted items. Includes color photos and index. Age: YAS. 132 Pages.

**KNITTING INTO THE MYSTERY: A GUIDE TO THE SHAWL-KNITTING MINISTRY (804102)** Author: Jorgensen, Susan and Izard, Susan. In this knitting ministry, women gather to pray and knit for those in need and those celebrating life's joys. As they create shawls for others, their handiwork becomes an expression of their love, and of the loving care of the God who works through them. This book offers directions for knitting (or crocheting) shawls and for starting a church or community knitting ministry. Age: A. 147 Pages.

**MAKING CROSSES: A CREATIVE CONNECTION TO GOD (809092)** Author: Prewitt, Ellen Morris. This book is about the new spiritual practice of making crosses and how it can transform your relationship with God, yourself, and the world around you. These spiritual crosses are made with simple and cast-off materials and do not require 'artistic' talent. Includes tips for making crosses in a workshop. Age: A. 132 Pages.

**PAGES OF FAITH: THE ART OF SPIRITUAL SCRAPBOOKING (807178)** Author: Sheridan, Sharon. In stories and pictures, this book shows how Christians tell the stories of their faith in the pages of their scrapbooks. It includes ideas for using scrapbooking as a teaching tool with children, guidelines for forming a scrapbook club, and using scrapbooking to tell the story of your church and its ministries. Age: A. 133 Pages.

## ***Banners / Worship:***

**ALTARS FOR EVERYONE: WORSHIP DESIGNS ON ANY BUDGET (814007)** Author: Townley, Nancy and Davis, Stephanie. Ideas for creative altar displays throughout the Christian Year. Age: A. 153 Pages.

**BANNER DESIGNS FOR THE CHURCH YEAR (806170)** Author: Debord, Jane and Isbell, Linda. This collection of 40 creative designs offers a banner design for the entire church. Each design is accompanied by an explanation of its meaning, related Scripture passage, a suggested color scheme, and easy-to-follow reproducible patterns. Includes designs for the following themes: Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, Palm Sunday, Good Friday, Easter, Pentecost, Trinity, Marriage, Baptism, Communion, Confirmation, Funeral, Stewardship, Education, Worship, Evangelism, Reformation, All Saint's Day, Ascension, All Occasion. Age: A. 64 Pages.

**BANNERS FOR ALL SEASONS (806192)** Author: Pike, Joyce and Robinson, Anne. How to Make Creative Banners for Holy Days and Holidays: Advent, Christmas/Epiphany, Transfiguration, Baptism, Lent, Palm Sunday, Easter, Ascension, Pentecost, Trinity Sunday, Christ the King, Green Season (based on "I am the true vine"), Communion Sunday, Wedding. This spiral-bound book includes instructions, patterns, and a color photo of each banner. Age: A. 105 Pages.

**CHRISTMENT TREE, VOLUME 1 (804210)** Author: Harpine, Elaine Clanton. How to Make Christian Ornaments for Your Christmas Tree. Photographs, instructions, and patterns for 21 Christments, some easy enough for children to make. Includes a story to be read while the Christments are hung on the tree. Age: A. 72 Pages.

**CHRISTMENT TREE, VOLUME 2 (804211)** Author: Harpine, Elaine Clanton. 21 Christian Ornaments for Your Christmas Tree. Photographs, instructions and patterns for 21 all-new beaded Christments centered around the theme 'We Follow Jesus.' Each Christment is identified by its level of difficulty: Level 1-easy enough for young children through Level 5-for craft-oriented adults. Includes a Christmas story for the hanging of the Christments. Age: A. 106 Pages.

**CHURCH BANNER DESIGNS (807245)** Author: Bowers, Joyce. 72 Unique Ideas Using Calico, Batik & Other Cotton Prints. In addition to basic banner-making instructions, the author provides a brief explanation and suggested color scheme for each pattern. Includes index of themes and images. Age: A. 96 Pages.

**CREATING HOLY SPACES: WORSHIP VISUALS FOR THE REVISED COMMON LECTIONARY (812118)** Author: Halverson, Delia and Appleby, Karen. The authors provide worship visuals tied to each Sunday of all three years of the Revised Common Lectionary. They can be assembled on the altar, placed elsewhere in the sanctuary, or photographed to be used for projection. Includes topical and scripture indexes. Age: A. 176 Pages.

**NEW BANNER BOOK (804214)** Author: Wolfe, Betty. Get all the information you need to make nearly 50 banners for seasonal, special event, or general use. Learn about creating letters and symbols, using color and contrast effectively, choosing fabrics, and more. Age: A. 112 Pages.

**QUICK AND EASY BANNER DESIGNS (805222)** Author: Harms, Carol Jean. This book provides the information you need to make beautiful banners for your church, school, or personal use. Over 200 basic banner designs reflect Christian holidays and events in the Christian life including Baptism, the Lord's Supper, confirmation, marriage, etc. General instructions cover directions for making banners, color and fabric selection, assembly, and displaying of finished banners. Age: A. 96 Pages.

**SEASONS FOR PRAISE: ART FOR THE SANCTUARY (805221)** Author: Sudbrock, Eleanore Feucht. Ideas for Integrating Art and Worship. Chapter titles: Organization and imagination; Advent; Christmas; Epiphany; Lent; Easter; Pentecost; The Day of Holy Trinity and the Sundays after Pentecost or Ordinary Time; All through the year (baptism, wall texts, rainbow wall/banners, outdoor banners); Construction aids. Ideas could be adapted for classroom use. Age: A. 71 Pages.

**WORSHIP WORKSHOP: CREATIVE WAYS TO DESIGN WORSHIP TOGETHER (826403)** Author: McFee, Marcia. Information and reproducible handouts that help worship teams create more meaningful and memorable worship for their congregations. Chapter titles: Change? First, let's evaluate!; Diverse designs for congregational worship; How can history help us change?; Get more people involved using seasonal teams; Utilizing arts and artists in the church. Age: A. 112 Pages.

## ***With children:***

**100 WAYS TO TELL GOD'S GREAT STORY (806238)** Author: Wezeman, Phyllis Vos. These creative, interactive activities help teachers capture students' attention and encourage their participation. A wide inventory of innovative ideas in one handy resource. Sections include: Architecture; Art (various techniques); Art (drawing); Art (painting); Creative writing; Poetry; Culinary arts; Games; Music; Puppetry. Age: A. 96 Pages.

**ARTS CAMP: A CREATIVE, CUSTOMIZABLE ALTERNATIVE TO VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AND BEYOND (815171)** Author: Clark, Christina. Arts Camp uses music and song, visual art and media, drama and storytelling, and movement and game-playing to enter into Bible study around an established theme. This book offers the basics for creating your own version of Arts Camp as well as plans for five themed camps. Chapters: What is Arts Camp?; We've built an Arts Camp team, now what?; The morning program; Art, music, and movement/drama; Story, grace, lunch, playtime, and meditation/yoga; Arts Camp -- Praise!; Arts Camp -- EcoJustice; Arts Camp -- Who is my neighbor?; Arts Camp -- Interfaith peace; Arts Camp -- Saints and holy helpers. Age: A. 123 Pages.

**FAITH BUILDERS: BIBLE CRAFTS FOR CHILDREN AGES 7 - 10 (808005)** Author: Herbert, Nadia. This book features 50 craft projects that focus on God, Jesus, and Christian living. Each craft includes a Bible verse and discussion ideas. Age: A. 112 Pages.

**GIVE-IT-AWAY CRAFTS FOR KIDS (805058)** Author: Kinner, Scott, editor. Help kids learn about kindness, gratitude, and giving with these fifty-two craft projects that require everyday supplies and can be made in just 15

minutes or less. Designed for outreach and encouragement, projects are included for church staff and volunteers, family members, friends, those in need, and community members. Includes subject and Scripture indexes. Age: A. 111 Pages.

**IT IS EASY BEING GREEN! 60 BIBLE STORIES AND CRAFTS WITH THE EARTH IN MIND**

(814013) Author: Stickler, LeeDell. Designed for use with children ages 6 - 8, each lesson includes a Bible story and an Earth-friendly craft using 'recycled' items that are common to most households. Includes Scripture index. Age: A. 128 Pages.

**JUST ADD KIDS: FOOTPRINTS ON THE WALL (808123)** Author: Smith, Betsi, editor. And 50 Other Bible Crafts for Preschoolers. This book gives directions for easy crafts that relate to a variety of Old and New Testament stories. Includes subject and Scripture indexes. Age: A. 112 Pages.

**JUST ADD KIDS: FROM BAGS TO BUSHES (808154)** Author: Flegal, Daphna, editor. And 50 Other Bible Crafts for Elementary Children. This book gives directions for crafts that relate to a variety of Old and New Testament stories. Includes subject and Scripture indexes. Age: A. 112 Pages.

**MAKE A JOYFUL NOISEMAKER (806239)** Author: Burrows, Mark. Designed for use with children, this book provides photographs of each instrument and instructions on how to make and play over 40 unique musical instruments. Each instrument is made from easy-to-find materials. In addition, the book provides Bible stories and activities that will give the children a chance to use these instruments in the classroom, in children's choir, or in worship. Includes index. Age: A. 112 Pages.

**PEACEMAKING CREATIVELY THROUGH THE ARTS (857711)** Author: Wezeman, Phyllis Vos. A Handbook of Educational Activities and Experiences for Children. Chapter titles: Peace with self, Peace in the family, Peace in the congregation, Peace in the school, Peace in the neighborhood, Peace in the community, Peace in the state, Peace in the nation, Peace in the world. Activities in architecture, art, banners/textiles, cartoons, clown/mime, creative writing, culinary arts, dance, drama, games, music, photography, puppetry, and storytelling. Although the activities are intended for use with children in grades one through six, they may be easily adapted for use with any age group. Age: A.

**PRAISE GOD WITH BANNERS (805021)** Author: Stohs, Anita Reith. Includes more than 40 Bible story banner ideas and patterns. Although intended for use with children in lower grades, they would also be appropriate for youth and adults. Each banner is designed to fit a 9" x 12" piece of felt as a personal banner. Note: instead of felt you could use scrapbooking papers. Age: A. 64 Pages.

**SEASONS OF FAITH: TEACHING THE CHRISTIAN YEAR (805055)** Author: Stoner, Marcia Joslin. A study of the Christian year can be a fun way to unite the generations. This book contains crafts and activities for all ages on special days throughout the year. Includes ideas for service projects. Age: A. 160 Pages.

**SYMBOLS OF FAITH: TEACHING IMAGES OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH (805054)** Author: Stoner, Marcia Joslin. A study of Christian symbols can be a fun way to unite the generations. This book contains crafts and activities for all ages, information on the meaning of over 60 symbols, and reproducible patterns for many of the symbols. Includes index. Age: A. 160 Pages.

**THINGS TO MAKE & DO ANYTIME (852222)** Author: Gee, Martha Bettis. Creative Activities for Children's Ministry. Craft ideas on the themes of 'The Created World' and 'I Am Special.' Includes cumulative index of activities in all four 'Things to Make & Do' books. Age: A. 90 Pages.

**TOE TICKLERS: FOOT-SHAPED BIBLE CRAFTS (815168)** Author: Miescke, Lori. This non-reproducible book is provided as a reference for making foot-shaped crafts with children ages 4 to 7 that are based on a variety of Old and New Testament stories and verses. Age: A. 63 Pages.