

Spring 2026 Reading Lists

BSED 3600 - Critical Pedagogy/Critical Times Professor EunHye So	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Harper Collins Study Bible. New Revised Standard Version. Wayne Meeks, ed. Harper Collins OR Any other modern translation of a Bible. Please no KING JAMES VERSION
CSR 4100 – Theologies of the Body Dr. Ish Ruiz	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roberto Che Espinoza, <i>Body Becoming: A Path to our Liberation</i> • Ivone Gebara, <i>Longing for Running Water: Ecofeminism and Liberation</i> • M. Shawn Copeland, <i>Enfleshing Freedom: Body, Race, and Being</i> SECOND EDITION. [ISBN: 978-1506463254]
FE 1006 – Field Ed Dr. Leonard McMahon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No required texts
FTRS 2973 - Transformative Leadership Dr. Ish Ruiz	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sondra Wheeler, <i>The Minister as Moral Theologian: Ethical Dimensions of Pastoral Leadership</i>, Published by Baker Academic (2017) [ISBN: 978-0801097843] • Kristina Lizardy-Hajbi, <i>Unraveling Religious Leadership: Power, Authority, and Decoloniality</i>, Published by Fortress Press (2024) [ISBN: 978-1506496542] • John Paul Lederach, <i>The Little Book of Conflict Transformation</i>, Published by Good Books (2003) [ISBN: 978-1561483907]
FTRS 3400 – Design Thinking Professor Neil Goldberg	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No required texts
FTRS 8300 – Igniting Vibrant Ventures Dr. Heesung Hwang	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DeYmaz, Mark. <i>Disruption: Repurposing the Church to Redeem the Community</i>. Nashville: Thomas Nelson, 2017. ISBN: 978-0718089092, 224 pages. \$12.05. • Reyes, Patrick B. <i>The Purpose Gap: Empowering Communities of Color to Find Meaning and Thrive</i>. Louisville, KY: Westminster John Knox, 2021. ISBN: 978-0664266707, 258 pages. \$15.13. • Ries, Eric. <i>The Lean Startup: How Today's Entrepreneurs use Continuous Innovation to Create Radically Successful Businesses</i>. New York: Currency, 2011. ISBN: 978-0307887894. • Salvatierra, Alexia and Peter Heltzel. <i>Faith-Rooted Organizing: Mobilizing the Church in Service to the World</i>. Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity, 2014. ISBN: 978-0830836611, 208 pages. \$12.03.
HSFT 2001 – UMC History, Doctrine and Polity II Dr. Heesung Hwang	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cobb, John. <i>Grace & Responsibility: A Wesleyan Theology for Today</i>. Nashville: Abingdon, 1995. ISBN: 978-0687007691. 196 pages. \$12.60.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hamilton, Adam. <i>Why?: Making Sense of God's Will</i>. Nashville: Abingdon, 2018. ISBN: 978-1501858284. 112 pages. \$14.38. • Heitzenrater, Richard P. <i>Wesley and the People Called Methodists</i>: Second Edition. Nashville: Abingdon. 2013. ISBN: 978-1426742248. 352 pages. \$23.49. • Rasmus, Rudy, ed. <i>I'm Black. I'm Christian. I'm Methodist</i>. Nashville: Abingdon, 2020. ISBN: 978-1791017095. 160 pages. \$11.85. • <i>The Book of Discipline of the United Methodist Church</i>. Nashville: United Methodist Publishing House, 2020/2024. ISBN: 978-1791010935. 1222 pages. Kindle \$16.99.
HSFT 2010 – UCC History, Polity and Theology Dr. Kelly Colwell	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walker, R. J. (2005). <i>The evolution of a UCC style: History, ecclesiology, and culture of the United Church of Christ</i>. Cleveland, Ohio: Pilgrim Press. • L. & Hambrick-Stowe, C. (2007). <i>Theology and identity: Traditions, movements, and polity in the United Church of Christ</i>. Cleveland, Ohio: Pilgrim Press. • Gast, M. S. (2016). <i>That we may all (finally!) be one: Covenant, hospitality, and the expanding identity of the United Church of Christ</i>. Cleveland, Ohio: Pilgrim Press. • United Church of Christ. (2018). <i>Manual on Ministry</i>. Cleveland, Ohio: Ministerial Excellence, Support, and Authorization; United Church of Christ. • Office of Church Life and Leadership. (1986). <i>Book of worship</i>: United Church of Christ. New York, New York: United Church of Christ.
MDV 8400 – Senior Seminar Dr. Joshua Bartholomew	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dorien, Gary. <i>Social ethics in the making: Interpreting an American Tradition</i>. John Wiley & Sons, 2009. • Cannon, Katie Geneva, Emilie Maureen Townes, and Angela D. Sims, eds. <i>Womanist Theological Ethics: A Reader</i>. Presbyterian Publishing Corp, 2011 • Miguel, De La Torre. <i>Doing Christian ethics from the margins</i>. Orbis Books, 2014.
NT 1008 – Christian Scriptures Professor EunHye So	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Harper Collins Study Bible. New Revised Standard Version. Wayne Meeks, ed. Harper Collins OR Any other modern translation of a Bible. Please no KING JAMES VERSION
OT 3003 – The Hebrew Bible /Old Testament Dr. Aaron Brody	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bible, recommended translations: Coogan, Michael, Marc Brettler, Carol Newsom, and PHEME Perkins, eds. <i>The New Oxford Annotated Bible with Apocrypha: New Revised Standard Version</i>. 5th edition. New York: Oxford University Press, 2018. ISBN-13: 978- 0190276089, \$20.38; or Berlin, Adele and Marc Brettler. <i>The Jewish Study Bible: Second</i>

	<p>Edition. New York: Oxford University Press, 2014. ISBN-13: 978-0199978465, \$35.29; or read it online at: https://www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org/the-tanakh-full-text; or let David Suchet (Poirot actor) read the texts to you, available on Youtube, search under David Suchet and the name of the Book of the Bible you want to listen to</p>
<p>PS 1461 – Ritual Design Dr. Corwin Davis</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oredein, Oluwatomisin Olayinka, ed. <i>Theopoetics in Color: Embodied Approaches in Theological Discourse</i>. Eerdmans, 2024. ISBN: 978-0802880185. \$23.00
<p>PS 1462 – Communication Dr. David Vasquez Levy Dr. Corwin Davis</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tubbs Tisdale, Leonora. <i>Prophetic Preaching: A Pastoral Approach</i>, Westminster John Knox Press, 2010. ISBN-13: 978-0664233327 • Thomas, Frank A. <i>How to Preach a Dangerous Sermon</i>. Abingdon Press, 2018. ISBN-13: 978-1501856839 • Bowes, Meg et al. <i>How to Tell a Story: The Essential Guide to Memorable Storytelling</i> from The Moth ISBN-13: 978-0593139028
<p>PS 1462 – Empathy Dr. Corwin Davis</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fluker, Walter ed. <i>The Unfinished Search for Common Ground: Reimagining Howard Thurman's Life and Work</i> (Orbis Books, 2023). ISBN: 978-1626985117. \$20.99. • Thurman, Howard. <i>The Search for Common Ground</i> (Friends United Press, 1986). ISBN: 978-0913408940. \$4.84.
<p>PS 3260 - Pastoral Care/Marginalized Bodies Dr. Leonard McMahon</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No required texts
<p>PS 3378 -Pastoral Care/Marginalized Bodies Dr. Leonard McMahon</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No required texts
<p>ST 1086 – Theological Thinking Dr. Corwin Davis</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Barreto, Eric, ed. <i>Theological Thinking: Foundations for Learning</i>. Fortress Press, 2015. ISBN: 978-1451483413. \$14.00 • Placher and Nelson, eds. <i>Readings in the History of Christian Theology Vol. 1</i>, Revised Ed., Westminster John Knox Press, 2015. ISBN: 978-0664239336. \$18.99 • Placher and Nelson, eds. <i>Readings in the History of Christian Theology Vol. 2</i>, Revised Ed., Westminster John Knox Press, 2017. ISBN: 978-0664239343. \$11.99
<p>ST 3660 Organizing for Change Dr. Joshua Bartholomew</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chris Crass, <i>Towards Collective Liberation</i>. (PM Press, 2013). • Miguel A. De La Torre (ed.), <i>Faith and Reckoning After Trump</i>. (Orbis Books, 2021). • Gary Dorrien, <i>Social Ethics in the Making: Interpreting an American Tradition</i>. (Wiley-Blackwell, 2009).

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bartholomew, Joshua S., <i>Black Theology and The Black Panthers</i>. Fortress Academic/Bloomsbury Publishing, 2023. 978-1978710290, 122 pages.• Chris Shannahan, <i>A Theology of Community Organizing</i>. (Routledge, 2014).• Jeffrey Stout, <i>Blessed Are the Organized: Grassroots Democracy in America</i>. (Princeton, 2012).