



## The Episcopal Church in Alabama

### SUGGESTED READING

*The following list of books is a suggestion for reading and reflection. These books are offered by the Commission on Ministry and with the support of the Diocesan Bishop.*

- Diana Butler Bass, *Christianity After Religion*
- Dietrich Bonhoeffer, *The Cost of Discipleship; Life Together*
- Marcus J. Borg, *Meeting Jesus Again for the First Time*
- Dale Carnegie, *How to Win Friends and Influence People*
- Harvey Cox, *The Future of Faith*
- Nora Gallagher, *Practicing Resurrection*
- Denise George, *What Pastors Wish Church Members Knew* (good reality check by spouse of an ordained minister and dean of seminary, national leader)
- Stanley Hauerwas, *Resident Aliens*
- William Law, *Serious Call to a Holy and Devout Life*
- C. S. Lewis, *Mere Christianity* (good series of CDs for the car-is helpful)
- Eric Metaxas, biography on William Wilberforce or Dietrich Bonhoeffer
- Henri Nouwen, *Life of the Beloved*
- Elizabeth O'Connor, *Call to Commitment; Journey Inward, Journey Outward*
- Flannery O'Connor, *A Good Man is Hard to Find* (a collection of short stories)
- Eugene Peterson, *The Pastor: A Memoir, Reversed Thunder*
- Ormonde Plater, *Many Servants*
- Barbara Brown Taylor, *An Altar in the World*
- Phyllis Tickle, *The Great Emergence*
- W. Tozer, *The Pursuit of Christ*
- Robert Wicks, *Availability: The Spiritual Joy of Helping Others*
- N. T. Wright, *Simply Christian, Simply Jesus, Surprised by Hope*
- Dwight Zscheile, *People of the Way*
- A.J. Levine, *Difficult Word of Jesus*
- General knowledge of Holy Scripture-many scholars suggest a complete understanding of approximately 20 Biblical texts from various types of writing in Holy Scripture.