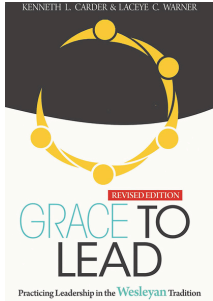
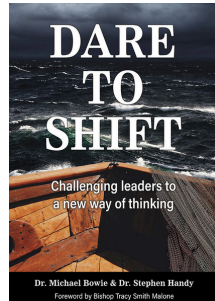


NC Conference Media Center Resources

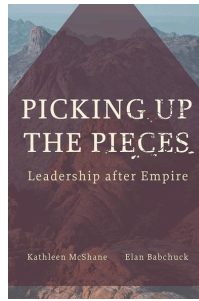
nccumc.org/media-center



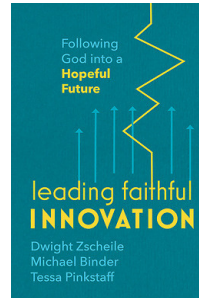
Grace to Lead: Practicing Leadership in the Wesleyan Tradition, Revised Edition by Kenneth L. Carder and Lacey C. Warner. Delves into Wesleyan scholarship to guide readers into effective contemporary leadership, from a solidly Wesleyan perspective.



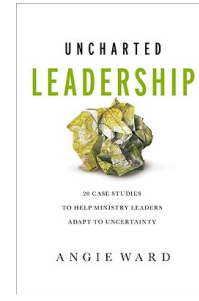
Dare to Shift: Challenging Leaders to a New Way of Thinking by Michael Bowie and Stephen Handy. Challenges readers to make intentional shifts in their understanding of relationships, leadership, stewardship, and discipleship.



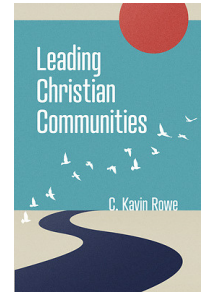
Picking Up the Pieces: Leadership after Empire by Kathleen McShane and Elan Babchuck. Offers a leadership model based on the conviction that power shared is power multiplied. Through an innovative exploration of Moses's biblical narrative, the authors suggest that Moses's leadership failures were because he, too, was shaped by empire.



Leading Faithful Innovation: Following God into a Hopeful Future by Dwight Zscheile, Michael Binder, and Tessa Pinkstaff. This faithful innovation begins with a three-step process: listening to God and to each other, acting so we can learn, and sharing our stories in community.



Uncharted Leadership: 20 Case Studies to Help Ministry Leaders Adapt to Uncertainty by Angie Ward. Through a series of relevant, real-life case studies in ministry leadership, Ward brings the classroom to the reader, using thought-provoking questions, commentary, and recommended resources to expand the leader's empathy, understanding, awareness, and skill.



Leading Christian Communities by C. Kevin Rowe. Bite-size and conversational, yet deeply rooted in Scripture and recent pastoral theology, these essays reflect on the shaping of Christian leaders for the flourishing of their communities.

Upcoming Events

nccumc.org/events

- **Jun 5:** Exploring Safe Sanctuaries Together: Summer Programs, VBS, and Camps (Online)
- **Jun 13-15:** Annual Conference, Greenville Convention Center, Greenville, NC
- **Jun 17:** Christian Unity in a World of Disunity (Online)
- **Jun 24-29:** Breakaway, NC Wesleyan University, Rocky Mount, NC
- **Jul 11:** Caring for God's Creation: Peacebuilding Through Holy Conversations, NC Conference Building, Garner, NC

Upcoming Grant Opportunities

nccumc.org/grants

- **Applications due Jun 15:** Child & Family Well-Being Grants (The Duke Endowment)
- **Applications due Jun 15:** Health Care Grants (The Duke Endowment)
- **Update Charge Conference Forms by Jun 24:** Higher Education Scholarships (NC Conference Board of Higher Education)
- **Applications due Jul 1:** Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing Ministry Scholarships (United Methodist Committee on Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing Ministries)



nccumc.org/ac2024

Annual Conference Giving Opportunities

Outreach Project: Menstrual Hygiene Kits

This year's collection of items at Annual Conference in Greenville will center around Menstrual Hygiene Kits. These kits are distributed at times of natural disaster when such supplies are hard to access. Also, kits are distributed in communities in many countries where girls and women are not able to go to school or work because of the lack of access to these items. See the website for kit instructions.

Special Offerings:

The Gary Wayne Locklear Mission Endowment provides resources as we partner with others for new mission with people in the geographical area of the NC Conference of the United Methodist Church.

Professors in Methodism is a special endowed fund within Forming Trusted Leaders, the endowment fund for theological education in Africa, Europe, and the Philippines.



Sign up for our weekly email newsletter & topics related to your interests at: nccumc.org/signup



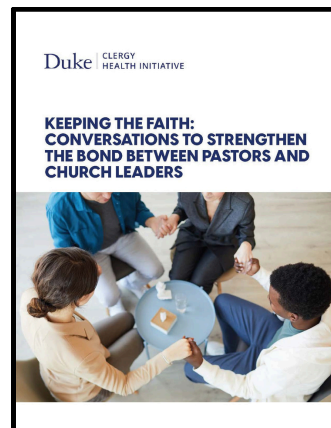
nccumc.org/laity

Are you called to a deeper commitment in Christ? The NC Conference has many ways for laity to grow and engage in their faith. Laity interested in a more formal commitment can pursue any of the following certifications through Lay Servant Ministries.

- Certified Lay Servants
- Certified Lay Speakers
- Certified Lay Ministers

Upcoming Classes:

- **Jul 14 & 21:** Life Together in the United Methodist Connection (Online)
- **Jul 27:** Loving People and Planet in God's Name, First UMC, Elon, NC
- **Aug 3:** Lay Servants as Christian Transformational Leaders, North Raleigh UMC, Raleigh, NC
- **Aug 24:** From Your Heart to Theirs: Delivering an Effective Sermon, Ocean View UMC, Oak Island, NC



**Keeping the Faith:
Conversations to Strengthen the
Bond Between Pastors and
Church Leaders**
clergyreligionresearch.duke.edu

This online guide offers tools to help P/SPRC committees and their pastors come together for difficult conversations and offers skills needed to live together in healthy community.