This month's Virtual Book Display focuses on gender, identity, and the LGBTQ community in relation to Christianity. Below, find Sage Library's latest ebook acquisitions. Click on the book title to access the ebook directly from EBSCO.



by Jackie Hill Perry

In *Gay Girl*, *Good God*, author Jackie Hill Perry shares her own story, offering practical tools that helped her in the process of finding wholeness. Jackie grew up fatherless and experienced gender confusion. She embraced masculinity and

homosexuality with every fiber of her being. She knew that Christians had a lot to say about all of the above. But was she supposed to change herself? How was she supposed to stop loving women, when homosexuality felt more natural to her than heterosexuality ever could? At age nineteen, Jackie came face-to-face with what it meant to be made new. And not in a church, or through contact with Christians. God broke in and turned her heart toward Him right in her own bedroom in light of His gospel.

True Inclusion: Creating Communities of Radical Embrace

by Brandan Robertson

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In *True Inclusion*, public theologian and pastor Brandan Robertson shares how to move your church from mere welcome to radical embrace. Pointing to a clear biblical imperative for radical inclusivity in the sanctuary and in the public square, Robertson presents a paradigm-shifting vision of community, "where nothing is

simple, nothing is easy, but everything is beautiful." Learn practical, step-by-step approaches to becoming deeply, robustly, and richly inclusive of all people regardless of race, gender identity, sexual orientation, political affiliation, and socioeconomic status.

Modern Kinship: A Queer Guide to Christian Marriage

by Constantino Khalaf and David Khalaf

Part personal reflection, part commentary, and full of practical advice, *Modern Kinship* explores the biblical concept of kinship from a twenty-first-century perspective. This important resource tackles subjects such as dating outside of smartphone apps, overcoming church and family issues, meeting your partner's

parents, deciding when and how to have children, and finding your mission as a couple. *Modern Kinship* encourages queer Christian couples to build God-centered partnerships of trust and mutuality.



Rescuing Jesus: How People of Color, Women, and Queer Christians Are Reclaiming Evangelicalism

by Deborah Jian Lee

In *Rescuing Jesus*, Lee ventures into the world of progressive evangelicalism and tells the stories of the young women and men at the forefront of a movement that could change both the face and the substance of religion in the United States.

Generational changes and the shifting racial make-up of evangelicals are transforming the movement and pushing it in a more progressive direction. A young and diverse array of people on this leading edge of progressive evangelicalism—LGBTQ and straight; white, black, Asian, Hispanic, and indigenous—are working to wrest political power away from conservatives.



Love in a Time of Fear: Hearing Our Neighbors Across Lines that Divide Us

by Cassie J. E. H. Trentaz

In this book, Cassie Trentaz looks that question in the eyes and asks her friends and neighbors in four communities currently facing pressure and often viewed with suspicion—immigrants, Muslim Americans, LGBTQ+ people, and young African American men—what feels like love to them and, alternatively, what does not.

Trentaz brings their honest, heartfelt responses in their own words, helping us to know people we might not know and bringing us powerful stories of offerings of love that were received as love as well as stories of good intentions that missed their mark. She then offers us tools to help us act on what we hear. This book is both an invitation and a toolbox for listening. It takes love from a good idea to a concrete force that can speak to our fears, reach across divisions, and just might heal our world.



Ministry Among God's Queer Folk: LGBT Pastoral Care

by Bernard Sloan Schlager

This practical handbook, written by two self-described queer people of faith, covers the basic skills religious caregivers and ministry students need in order to be effective, enlightened, and supportive pastoral care providers to LGBTQ persons within as well as outside their congregations and communities.



Rainbow Theology: Bridging Race, Sexuality, and Spirit by Patrick S. Cheng

To date, no book has systematically examined the theological writings of LGBT people of color. Nor has any book explored how such writings might actually transform contemporary theological reflections on race and sexuality. This book remedies these gaps by constructing a rainbow theology around the theme of

bridging or mediation. *Rainbow Theology* is the first book to reflect upon the theological significance of the intersections of race and queer sexuality across multiple ethnic and cultural groups.





by Pamela R. Lightsey

Using a womanist methodological approach, Pamela R. Lightsey helps readers explore the impact of oppression against Black LBTQ women while introducing them to the emergent intellectual movement known as queer theology. The author privileges their narratives and experiences as she reviews several doctrines and

dogma of the Christian church. Theological reflection on contemporary debates such as samesex marriage and ordination rights make this book a valuable resource to clergy, students of theology, LGBTQ persons and allies.

Queer Theology: Beyond Apologetics



by Linn Marie Tonstad

What do Christianity and queerness have to do with each other? Can Christianity be queered? Queer Theology offers a readable introduction to a difficult debate. Summarizing the various apologetic arguments for the inclusion of queer people in Christianity, Tonstad moves beyond inclusion to argue for a queer theology that builds on the interconnection of theology with sex and money. Thoroughly grounded

in queer theory as well as in Christian theology, Queer Theology grapples with the fundamental challenges of the body, sex, and death, as these are where queerness and Christianity find (and, maybe, lose) each other.

Outside the Lines: How Embracing Queerness Will Transform Your Faith



by Mihee Kim-Kort

With a captivating mix of personal story and biblical analysis, *Outside the Lines* shows us how each of our bodies fits into the body of Christ. Outside the lines and without exceptions. Mihee Kim-Kort is a wife, a mom, and a Presbyterian minister. And she's gueer. As she became aware of her gueer sexuality, Mihee wondered

what that meant for her spirituality. But instead of pushing her away from God, her queerness has brought her closer to Jesus and taught her how to love better.