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Reference Works

The Complete Library of Christian Worship, Eight Volumes (Peabody, MA: Hendrickson Publishers, 1993-1995).

- I. The Biblical Foundations of Christian Worship
- II. Twenty Centuries of Christian Worship
- III. Renewal of Sunday Worship
- IV. Music and the Arts in Christian Worship, Book 1 & 2
- V. The Services of the Christian Year
- VI. The Sacred Actions of the Christian Worship
- VII. The Ministries of Christian Worship

Worship Curriculum

The Alleluia! Series (Peabody: Hendrickson, 1996-1998)

Learning to Worship with All Your Heart: A Study in the Biblical Foundations of Christian Worship (1996)

Rediscovering the Missing Jewel: A Study in Worship through the Centuries (1997)

Renew Your Worship: A Study in Blending of Traditional and Contemporary Worship (1997)

Enter His Courts with Praise: A Study of the Role of Music and the Arts in Worship (1997)

Rediscovering the Christian Feasts: A Study in the Services of the Christian Year (1998)

Encountering the Healing Power of God: A Study in the Sacred Actions of Worship (1998)

Empowered by the Holy Spirit: A Study in the Ministries of Worship (1998)

The Alleluia! Series (Translated into Chinese, 2002-2004)

Textbooks

What Christians Believe: A Biblical and Historical Summary (Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1989, 2d ed. 1993), with Alan F. Johnson.

Worship Old and New: A Biblical, Historical, and Practical Introduction (Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1982, rev. ed., 1994, republished in Chinese, 2004).

Worship (for Pastors and Church Leaders)

Together We Worship (Wheaton: IWS Resources, 2006).

Planning Blended Worship: The Creative Mixture of Old and New (Nashville: Abingdon Press, 1998).

Blended Worship: Achieving Substance and Relevance in Worship (Peabody: Hendrickson, 1994). Republished as *The New Worship Awakening: What's Old Is New Again*, 2007.



People of the Truth: The Power of the Worshiping Community in the Modern World (Harrisburg, PA: Morehouse, 1988), with Rodney Clapp. (Later published as *People of the Truth: A Christian Challenge to Contemporary Culture*, 1993, and Eugene, OR: Wipf & Stock, 2001).

Worship is a Verb: Eight Principles for Transforming Worship (Word, 1985, Peabody: Hendrickson Publishers, 2d ed. 1996).

Celebrating Our Faith: Evangelism through Worship (New York: Harper & Row, 1986).

Evangelicals on the Canterbury Trail: Why Evangelicals Are Attracted to the Liturgical Church (Waco: Word, 1985, Harrisburg, PA: Morehouse Publishing, 1989).

Christian Formation

Journey to Jesus: The Worship, Evangelism, and Nurture Mission of the Church (Nashville: Abingdon Press, 2001).

Follow Me! (Wheaton: Institute for Worship Studies, 2001).

Be My Disciple! (Wheaton: Institute for Worship Studies, 2001).

Walk in the Spirit! (Wheaton: Institute for Worship Studies, 2001).

Find Your Gift! (Wheaton: Institute for Worship Studies, 2001).

Prayer Books

The Prymer: The Prayer Book of the Medieval Era Adapted for Contemporary User (Orleans, MA: Paraclete Press, 2000).

The Book of Family Prayer (Nashville: Thomas Nelson, 1986, Peabody: Hendrickson, 1996).

The Book of Daily Prayer (Grand Rapids: Eerdmans Publishing, 1993).

Culture

Who Gets to Narrate the World?: Contending for the Christian Story in an Age of Rivals (InterVarsity Press, 2008).

Listening to the Beliefs of Emergent Churches (ed.) (Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2006).

The Younger Evangelicals: Facing the Challenges of the New World (Grand Rapids: Baker Books, 2002).

The Church in the World: Opposition, Tension, or Transformation (Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1986).

Secular Humanism: Threat and Challenge (Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1982, 1985).

The Moral Majority: Right or Wrong? (Wheaton: Crossway Books, 1981).

The Secular Saint: A Case for Evangelical Social Responsibility. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1979, Eugene: Wipf & Stock, 2d ed. 2004).

The Orthodox Evangelicals: Who They Are and What They Are Saying (Nashville: Thomas Nelson, 1978), with Donald Bloesch.



Ancient-Future Series

- Ancient-Future Worship: Proclaiming and Enacting Gods Narrative* (Grand Rapids: Baker Books, 2008).
- The Divine Embrace: Recovering the Passionate Spiritual Life* (Grand Rapids: Baker Books, 2006).
- Ancient-Future Time: Forming Spirituality through the Christian Year* (Grand Rapids: Baker Books, 2004).
- Ancient-Future Evangelism: Making Your Church a Faith-Forming Community* (Grand Rapids: Baker Books, 2003).
- Ancient-Future Faith: Rethinking Evangelicalism for a Postmodern World* (Grand Rapids: Baker Books, 1999).

Other Books

- Worship: Journey into His Presence* (PA.: Kingdom Publishing, 1999).
- Church Music in the Twenty-first Century: A Symposium* (Jefferson City, TN: Louis and Mary Charlotte Ball Institute of Church Music, Carson-Newman College) 1997, with Harold M. Best, Louis Ball, and Mary Charlotte Ball.
- Praise and Worship Study Bible* (Wheaton: Tyndale House, 1997).
- Renew!: Songs and Hymns for Blended Worship* (one of four ed.), (Carol Stream, IL: Hope Publishing, 1995).
- The Worship Phenomenon: A Dynamic New Awakening in Worship is Reviving the Body of Christ*, 2d ed (Nashville: Star Song, 1994).
- In This Sanctuary: An Invitation to Worship the Savior* (Nashville: Star Song, 1993), with Twila Paris.
- Signs of Wonder: The Phenomenon of Convergence in Modern Liturgical and Charismatic Churches* (Nashville: Abbott Martyn, 1992).
- The Majestic Tapestry* (Nashville: Thomas Nelson, 1986).
- Liturgical Evangelism* (Harrisburg, PA: Morehouse, 1986, 1992).
- I Believe: A Woman's Workshop on Relational Doctrine* (Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1986).
- A Workshop on Worship: In the Heart, in the Home, and in the Church* (Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1985).
- God Still Speaks: A Biblical View of Christian Communication* (Nashville: Thomas Nelson, 1980).
- Common Roots: A Call to Evangelical Maturity* (Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1978).
Republished as *Common Roots: The Original Call to an Ancient-Future Faith* (Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2009), with David Neff.
- How to Choose a Christian College* (Carol Stream, IL: Creation House, 1973)
- Reshaping Evangelical Higher Education* (Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1972), with Larry Richards and Marvin Keene Mayers.
- Rappings*, compiled by Robert Webber (Wheaton: Tyndale House, 1971).



Contributing Chapters

- Listening to the Beliefs of Emergent Churches* (ed.) (Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2006). Introduction, Chapter 1, Summary.
- In Spirit and in Truth: Essays on Theology, Spirituality, and Embodiment in Honor of C. John Weborg*. Philip J. Anderson and Michelle A. Clifton Soderstrom, eds. (Chicago: Covenant Publications, 2006) Chapter: —Liturgical Evangelism.
- Exploring the Worship Spectrum: Six Views (Counterpoints)*. Paul Engle and Paul Basden, eds. (Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2004). Chapter 5: —Blended Worship and five responses to the other chapters.
- Worship at the Next Level: Insight from Contemporary Voices*. Tim Dearborn and Scott Coil, eds. (Grand Rapids: Baker Books, 2004). Chapter 6:—The Crisis of Evangelical Worship: Authentic Worship in a Changing World.
- Authentic Worship: Scripture's Voice, Applying Its Truth*. Herbert Bateman IV, ed. (Grand Rapids: Kregel, 2002). Chapter 9:—Baptism Spirituality, Chapter 10: —Eucharist Spirituality.
- Ancient and Postmodern Christianity: Paleo-Orthodoxy in the 21st Century—Essays In Honor of Thomas C. Oden*. Kenneth Tanner & Christopher A. Hall, eds. (InterVarsity Press, 2002). Chapter 10: —The Crisis of Evangelical Worship: Authentic Worship in a Changing World.
- Lecture on worship given at Baylor University was published in the Baylor Proceedings of the 2002 Worship Conference.
- A Reader's Companion to Crossing the Threshold of Hope* (Orleans, MA: Paraclete Press, 1996).

Forewords/Introductions to Books

- With All My Mind: Worship that Honors the Way God Made Us*, Robert Glick. (Herdon, VA: Alban Institute, 2006).
- An Ancient-Future Bible*. (International Bible Society, 2006).
- Designing Worship Together: Models and Strategies for Worship Planning*, Norma deWaal Malefyt and Howard Vanderwell. (Herdon, VA: Alban Institute, 2005).
- With One Voice: Discovering Christ's Song in Our Worship*, Reggie Kidd. (Grand Rapids: Baker Books, 2005).

Worship Resources (DVD, Video, Audio)

- 30 Days of Worship Discovery* (Wheaton: IWS Resources, 2006)
- Authentic Worship in a Changing World: What's Next?* (Wheaton: IWS Resources, 2002)
- Journey to Jesus* (Wheaton: IWS Resources, 2001)
- Ancient-Future Worship: A Model for the 21st Century*. (Wheaton: IWS Resources, 1999)



Renew Your Worship!: Blending Traditional and Contemporary Worship, (Wheaton: IWS Resources)

Convergence Worship (Wheaton: IWS Resources)

Articles and Essays

- A Call to an Ancient Evangelical Future *Christianity Today* (Fall 2006).
- Narrating the World Once Again *Criswell Theological Review* (Spring 2006).
- What is Ancient-Future Evangelism? *Theology News and Notes* (2005).
- A Post Technology Generation *Clergy Journal* (2005).
- Worship, Evangelism, and Nurture *Reformation and Revival Journal* (Winter 2005).
- What We've Learned Along the Way: Reformed Worship through Twenty Years of Liturgical Change *Reformed Worship* 77 (September 2005).
- An Ancient-Future Vision *Emergent Convention* (San Diego 2004).
- Second Eve *Christian History and Biography* (Summer 2004).
- Ancient-Future Worship *Worship Arts* (August 2004).
- Christus Victor: An Ancient-Future Message *Chris Tomlin Newsletter* (March 2004).
- Roman Catholics: The Next Generation' *AIM, World Library Publications* (February 2004).
- The Road to the Future Runs Through the Past: Reviving an Ancient Faith Journey *Vision: A Journal for Church and Theology. Institute of Mennonite Studies*, (Fall 2003).
- Convergence Worship *Church Music Workshop* (May-August 2003) Volume 13 Number 2, 4-7.
- Praise and Worship Music: From Its Origins to Contemporary Use" *Pastoral Music*, (February-March 2003) Volume 27:3, 21-23.
- How Will the Millennials Worship?: A Snapshot of the Very Near Future *Reformed Worship* 59 (March 2001).
- From Modern to Postmodern *Southwestern Journal of Theology* (Summer 2000).
- Is Our Worship Adequately Triune? *Reformation and Renewal* (Summer 2000).
- Ten Questions Youth Leaders Ask About Worship *Reformed Worship* 55 (March 2000).
- Reducing God to Music? We Experience God in More Than Songs and Segues *Leadership* 20 (spring 1999): 35.
- The Way of Suffering: Revisiting the Stations of the Cross *Reformed Worship* 42 (December 1996).
- Worship and Sound *Cross Point* 9 (spring 1996): 27-35.
- From Jerusalem to Willow Creek: A Brief History of Christian Worship *Discipleship Journal* (Issue 70, 1992).
- The Future Direction of Christian Worship *Ex Auditu* 8 (1992): 113-24.
- Bring Them In: Three Models for Evangelism through Worship *Reformed Worship*, no. 23 (March 1992): 4-6.
- Enter His Courts With Praise: A New Style of Worship is Sweeping the Church *Reformed Worship*, no. 20 (June 1991): 9-12.



- Preconditions for Renewal: New Attention to the Biblical and Historical Sources *Evangelical Journal* 9 (spring 1991): 3-10.
- Ecumenical Influences on Evangelical Worship *Ecumenical Trends* 19 (May 1990): 73-76.
- As for Me and My House: Learning from a Jewish Model of Worship *Reformed Liturgy and Music*, no. 12 (summer 1989): 33-35.
- The Impact of the Liturgical Movement on the Evangelical Church *Reformed Worship* 21 (spring 1987):111-14.
- Ethics and Evangelism: Learning from the Third-Century Church *Christian Century* 103, no. 27 (24 September 1986): 806-8.
- Worship and Spirituality *Reformed Liturgy and Music* 20, no. 2 (spring 1986): 67-71.
- Easter: Reliving the Mystery *Christianity Today* 30, no. 5 (5 March 1986): 16-18.
- Are Evangelicals Becoming Sacramental? *Ecumenical Trends* 14, no. 3 (March 1985): 36-38.
- Let's Put Worship into the Worship Service: Let's End Gospel Pep Rallies and Sunday Morning Variety Shows *Christianity Today* 28, no. 3 (17 February 1984): 52.
- Worship: A Methodology for Evangelical Renewal *Theological Students Fellowship Bulletin* 7, no. 1 (September/October 1983): 8-10.
- Church Buildings: Shapes of Worship *Christianity Today* 25 (7 August 1981):18-20.
- Living in the World *Post American* 3 (June/July 1974): 26-28.

Ancient-Future Talk

These talks have been archived and can be viewed online at

<https://web.archive.org/web/20090418155740/http://www.ancientfutureworship.com/newsletter>

- Health Update: We live and pray one day at a time (Feb 2007)
- A Teaching Moment: The Best Time to Teach about Worship (Jan 2007)
- Getting Your Congregation Involved (Nov 2006)
- How Do You Teach Your People to be an Above Average Worshiping Community? (October 23, 2006)
- I've Got a Question for You! (June 2005)
- Worship—Spirituality—Formation (May 2005)
- Worship and Spirituality (Apr 2005)
- It's Ash Wednesday Time on February 9th! (Jan/Feb 2005)
- Get Ready for Epiphany: Jan. 6 or closest Sunday (Dec 2004)
- Get Ready for the Christian Year! (Nov 2004)
- How the Disciplines Nourish Spirituality (July 10, 2004)
- Why Narcissistic Worship Doesn't Wash (July 2004)
- How Prayer Nourishes Spirituality (June 27, 2004)
- How the Eucharist Nourishes Spirituality (June 21, 2004)
- How the Word Nourishes Spirituality (June 14, 2004)
- How Worship Nourishes Spirituality (June 7, 2004)
- How the Church Nourishes Spirituality (May 31, 2004)



- What is a Spiritual World View? (May 25, 2004)
- What is the Pattern of Spiritual Living? (May 18, 2004)
- Spiritual Identity (May 11, 2004)
- What Is Spirituality? (May 4, 2004)
- What Do We Do In Worship? (May 2004)
- God's Worship Theme (Apr. 2004)
- Thematic Worship: Whose Theme? (Mar 2004)
- The Re-story-i-zation of Worship (Feb 2004)
- Singing an Old-New Song: Worship's Counter-Cultural Shift (Jan 2004)
- The Remystification of Worship (Dec 2003)
- The Demystification of Immanence (Oct 2003)
- Transcendent Space: Welcoming God's Mystery (Sep 2003)
- Experiencing God in Worship (Aug 2003)
- Is Worship an Experience? (July 2003)
- Why Narcissistic Worship Doesn't Wash (June 2003)
- Breaking Boredom With Prayer Worship (May 2003)
- The Worship Clash: Can There Be Harmony? (Apr 2003)
- Wartime Worship Service (Mar 2003)
- The Focus of Worship (Feb 2003)
- Ancient-Future Talk: Introductory Issue (Jan 2003)

Creator Magazine

Some of these articles have been archived and can be viewed online at the links below.

- The Worship, Evangelism & Nurture Mission in the Local Church (Nov/Dec 2001)
- The Worship, Evangelism & Nurture Mission: Incorporating the Faithful (Sep/Oct 2001)
- The Worship, Evangelism & Nurture Mission: Spiritual Formation of the New Believer (Jul/Aug 2001)
- The Worship, Evangelism & Nurture Mission: Discipling the Hearer (May/June 2001)
- The Worship, Evangelism & Nurture Mission: Evangelizing the Seeker (Mar/Apr 2001)
- The Worship, Evangelism & Nurture Mission (Jan/Feb 2001)
- [Preparing for Ministry in a Postmodern World: The Worship-Driven Church](#) (May/June 2000)
- [A Postmodern Choir Alert](#) (Jul/Aug 1999)
- [Eight Common Elements of Worship Renewal](#) (Nov/Dec 1998)
- [Style: The Issue of the Future](#) (Sep/Oct 1998)
- [Worship Knowledge: Is it Relevant?...continued](#) (Jul/Aug 1998)
- [Worship Knowledge: Is it Relevant?](#) (May/June 1998)
- Holy Week in the Early Church (Mar/Apr 1998)
- [Environment](#) (Jan/Feb 1998)
- [The Convergence of Worship Traditions](#) (Jan/Feb 1997)
- [A Theology of Worship](#) (Nov/Dec 1996)



Worship Leader Magazine

- Faith – Family – Friends – Eucharist (Jul/Aug 2007)
- The Choir in Ancient-Future Worship (May 2007)
- Worship as Prayer (Mar/Apr 2007)
- What Should Worship Accomplish? (Jan/Feb 2007)
- The Cosmic Christ: Worshiped Everywhere and in All Things (Nov/Dec 2006)
- Youth Worship: What's Negotiable? (Sep 2006)
- The Sounds of Excellence (Jul/Aug 2006)
- God's Favorite Worship Leader (Jun 2006)
- Technique Overload (May 2006)
- Recipe for a Troubled Church (Mar/Apr 2006)
- Worship and the Cosmic Drama (Jan/Feb 2006)
- Is Our Worship Killing Christianity in America? (Nov/Dec 2005)
- God: The Object or Subject of Worship? (Sep 2005)
- Describing Worship (Jul/Aug 2005)
- Jesus, Our Worship Ethic (May 2005)
- Christ in the Psalms (Mar/Apr 2005)
- I-Me-My Worship? (Jan/Feb 2005)
- Blended Worship (date unknown)
- Women in Ministry? Yes! (Nov/Dec 2004)
- Worship Discipleship (Sep/Oct 2004)
- A Post-Technology Generation
- Performative Symbol (Jul/Aug 2004)
- Wanted: Ancient-Future Talent (June 2004)
- Ancient-Future Traditional Worship continued... (May 2004)
- Ancient-Future Traditional Worship (Mar/Apr 2004)
- Ancient-Future Megachurch Worship (Jan/Feb 2004)
- Show Me How You Worship and I'll Tell You What You Believe (2003)
- What is Truth? What is Worship? What Does Worship have to do with Truth? (2003)
- Where Will All the Songs Go? (2003)
- Worship in Pagan America (Nov/Dec 2003)
- I Love You, Lord (Sept/Oct 2003)
- The Divine Kiss: A Case for Intimacy in Worship (Jul/Aug 2003)
- From the Jesus Movement to the Jesus Tradition (May/June 2003)
- Valentines to Jesus (March/April 2003)
- Shaped By Our Worship: At the Crossroads of Ritual and Belief (Jan/Feb 2003)
- Whatever Happened to the Gospel?: Encountering the Presence of Seeker- Sensitivity (Nov/Dec 2002)
- The Rise of the Worship Leader, Part 2: Worship as a Formative Process" (Sep 2002)
- Finding Your True Identity (July/Aug 2002)
- Worship and the Middle East (June 2002)
- The Rise of the Worship Leader: Dealing with the Pastoral Power (May/June 2002)
- Convergence Worship (Mar/Apr 2002)
- Where Are We Going? (Jan/Feb 2002)



- Come As A Child (Sep/Oct 2001)
- Opening the Doors to an Ancient-Future: The Worship, Evangelism and Nurture Mission of the Church (Sep/Oct 2001)
- The Effects of Technology on Worship (Summer 2001)
- The Use of Icons in Worship (Jul/Aug 2001)
- The Agony and the Ecstasy of the Cross (May/June 2001)
- The Resurrection of the Cross as Symbol (March/April 2001)
- Recovering Symbolic Worship (Jan/Feb 2001)
- Youth Discovering Ancient Worship (Nov/Dec 2000)
- Finding Hope in the Coming Generation (Sep/Oct 2000)
- Is there a Difference Between Worship and Evangelism? (July/Aug 2000)
- Beyond Contemporary Worship: What the Next Generation is Telling Us (Mar/Apr 2000)
- Worship as an Art Form (Jan/Feb 2000)
- Reaffirming the Arts (Nov/Dec 1999)
- Loosing the Shackles Binding Creativity (Sep/Oct 1999)
- The Future of Worship: What Will the Church, Which is Always Becoming, Look Like in the 21st Century? (Sep/Oct 1999)
- Culture Watch: Millennials on the Rise (May/June 1999)
- What Postmodernity Means to the Church (Mar/Apr 1999)
- A Blip on the Screen?: Postmodern Society in Need of Mystery (Jan/Feb 1999)
- Paradigm Thinking (Nov/ Dec 1998)
- Facing the PM Culture: What Lies at the Heart of Postmodernism? (Sep/Oct 1998)
- Reducing God to Music: The Presence of God Is Found Beyond Contemporary, Music-Driven Worship (July/Aug 1998)
- Every Knee Shall Bow (May/June 1998)
- The Light of Christ: The Liturgy of the Easter Season (Mar/Apr 1998)
- Liturgical Symbolism (Jan/Feb 1998)
- Worship and the Middle East: Wrestling with the Big Questions (?)
- The Place of Worship (Nov/Dec 1997)
- The Welcoming God: Hospitality Speaks Volumes (Sep/Oct 1997)
- Symbolic Speech (May/June 1997)
- Trinitarian Worship: The Relational Nature of Worship is Celebrated Within the Trinitarian Structure (March/April 1997)
- In the Name of the Spirit (Jan/Feb 1997)
- In the Name of the Son (Nov/Dec 1996)
- Father Worship (Sep/Oct 1996)
- Trinitarian Worship: In the Name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit (July/Aug 1996)
- Pass the Plate: Where *Do* You Receive the Offering in Worship? (Jan/Feb 1996)
- Intercessory Prayer in Contemporary Worship (Nov/Dec 1995)
- What is Blended Worship? (Sep/Oct 1995)
- Prayers for the Service of the Word (July/August 1995)
- Prayers for the Gathering (May/June 1995)
- Worship As Prayer: Appreciating the External (Mar/Apr 1995)
- Will Your Congregation Accept Written Prayers? (Nov/Dec 1994)



- Is the Christian Year for You? (May/June 1994)
- Wanted: 10,000 and More Students of Worship (Apr 1994)
- The Four-Fold Order of Worship: What it Means to Churches Today (Dec/Jan 1993)
- Dismissing the People is a Time to Confer God's Name and Blessing (Oct/Nov 1993)
- The Service of the Word: Hearing God Speak (Apr/May 1993)
- The Importance of the Incarnation to Worship (Oct/Nov 1992)
- Preparations for Becoming a Worship Leader (Feb/Mar 1992)