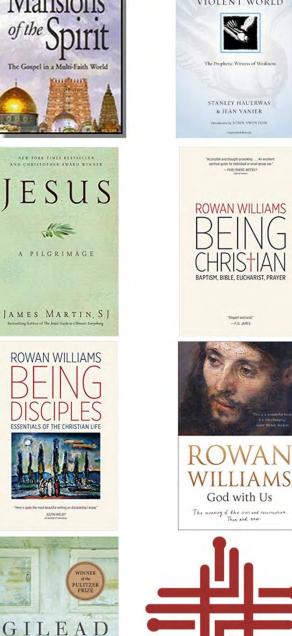
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# Church of the Redeemer's Book Club

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Welcome to Redeemer Readers—the Church of the Redeemer book group. The group meets in the board room on the lower level for one hour at noon on five Thursdays— October 25, December 13, January 31, March 21 and May 9. New members are always welcome and all are welcome to attend as many of the five sessions as you can. This year our books focus on doctrine, spirituality, and charity in books written by important Christian thinkers of our time.

### Thursday, October 25

Mansions of the Spirit: The Gospel in a Multi-Faith World, Michael Ingham,

(Anglican Book Centre, 1997).

In his book, Ingham challenges us to learn from discussions with faiths other than Christianity. By getting to know and respect other faith traditions, we come to understand that there are many ways to know and love God.

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### Thursday, December 13

Living Gently in a Violent World: The Prophetic Witness of Weakness, Stanley Hauerwas and Jean Vanier. (2<sup>nd</sup> Edition, IVP, 2018).

Theologian Stanley Hauerwas and Jean Vanier, founder of L'Arche communities throughout the world, consider how society reacts to people with disabilities and how faith informs a positive, compassionate response.

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### Thursday, January 31

Jesus: A Pilgrimage, James Martin. (HarperOne, 2016).

Jesuit priest James Martin describes his journey, both physical and spiritual, through the Holy Land. He connects places he visits to passages of scripture and reflects on how these stories of Jesus' life have meaning for life in our time.

### Thursday, March 21

In this session we will discuss three books by Rowan Williams, former Archbishop of Canterbury.

Being Christian (SPCK, 2014).

This book delves into four vital aspects of Christian life: baptism, bible, eucharist, and prayer.

Being Disciples: Essentials of the Christian Life (Eerdmans, 2016).

We are all at different stages of our life's faith journey. In this book, Williams explores how we follow Jesus in our time as we grow in faith.

God with Us: The Meaning of the Cross and Resurrection – Then and Now (SPCK, 2017).

Williams looks at the story at the heart of the Christian gospel – the cross on which Jesus was crucified and his resurrection.

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### Thursday, May 9

Gilead, Marilynne Robinson. (Harper Collins, 2006).

This work of literary fiction tells the story of generations of a family in a rural lowa town as seen through the eyes of the Reverend John Ames. He recounts for his young son experiences of his father and grandfather as well as his own theological struggles.