



May 2016

# What's New?

## New & Upcoming Resources

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#### Gathering Pentecost 1 Issue Theme: The Language of Worship

Besides providing great worship resources for Pentecost 1 (May 15–August 28, 2016), this issue explores the language of worship. Language is ever evolving, and our worship language must also evolve. We will explore some of the language we have traditionally and typically used in prayers, such as “light and dark” and “see, stand, and hear,” and we will think about how these and other words may be understood by various members of our congregations.

In the Exploring section, we offer space for contributors to share their rants about worship words and provide a list of books and online resources that address accessible, expansive, and emancipatory language. In our Seasonal Ideas and Resources section, you’ll find photocopy-ready bulletins to use over the summer, including a basic bulletin and a service that explores A Song of Faith.

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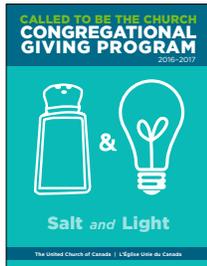
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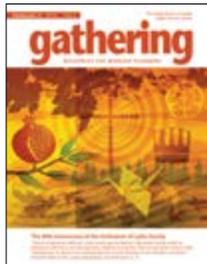


### Called to Be the Church Congregational Giving Program Salt and Light

A new *Called to Be the Church* congregational stewardship program is coming later this month! *Called to Be the Church: Salt and Light* is new and improved—and since so many of you requested one, it comes with a Quick Start Guide. In the meantime, there is help if you need it: e-mail [called@united-church.ca](mailto:called@united-church.ca) or phone 1-800-268-3781, ext. 2737, with any questions you have. Or just contact us to let us know you are using it! We will be happy to hear from you.

The 2015 *Called to Be the Church Program Guide* and *Resource Kit* continue to be available in print and online, with updated resources, at [www.stewardshiptoolkit.ca](http://www.stewardshiptoolkit.ca).

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### Gathering Pentecost 2

#### Theme Issue: The 80th Anniversary of the Ordination of Lydia Gruchy

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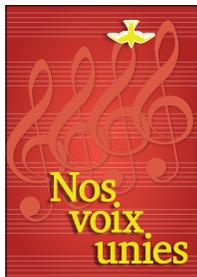
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