

October 7: As we finish our "Welcome Home" series today and bridge to our October emphasis on Stewardship, we also have one more of Max Lucado's books to commend to you. Echoing the spirit of the sacrificial joyful Macedonians, we suggest to you our book entitled "Give It All to Him: A Story of New Beginnings".

October 14: We in the Church Library ministry thank the many of you who think of us in donating your used books. Also we want to let you know that we have limited space on our shelves, so many of your donations are placed by us on our "free cart" which stands outside the Church Library. When your books are placed on this cart, others within the congregation are free to take them and benefit from them. So this is a way the books not placed on our shelves can still be of good use. Be assured that these books are taken by many and we hope for their good as well.

October 21: Only since October 24, 1956, have Presbyterians in America had women serving as ordained ministers in the preaching pulpits of our land. Thus, we have been richly blessed in this ministry by many women in our pulpit in recent years including Libby Boatwright, Cynthia O'Brien, and currently Pastor Robin Garvin and more recently Kelly Dickson. Yet many have never known of hundreds of women in America who have preached and exhorted God's people long before 1956 from colonial days and beyond. We offer you "Strangers and Pilgrims: Female Preaching in America, 1740-1845" by Catherine Brekus which tells the stories of many godly women.

October 28: To round out and reinforce our Stewardship messages this year from 2 Corinthians on the generous and joyful Macedonians, we suggest two books by Timothy Keller: "The Prodigal God: Recovering the Heart of the Christian Faith" which tells how our generous giving takes its initiative in our generous (prodigal) God, and "Every Good Endeavor: Connecting Your Work to God's Work" about sharing our vocations and talents.