

## **Workshop 518—God Says You are Good**

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### **Education Resources for Teaching Faith and Sexuality**

#### **Best Overview**

Ott, Kate. *Sex Faith: Talking with Your Child from Birth to Adolescence*. Louisville, KY: Westminster John Knox Press, 2013.

#### **Books for Kids**

Harris, Robie H. and Michael Emberley. *It's Perfectly Normal: Changing Bodies, Growing Up, Sex, and Sexual Health*. Somerville, MA: Candlewick Press, 2014.

Madaras, Lynda. *What's Happening to My Body? Book for Girls*. New York, NY: William Morrow Paperbacks, 2007.

Madaras, Lynda. *What's Happening to My Body? Book for Boys*. New York, NY: William Morrow Paperbacks, 2007.

Silverberg, Cory and Fiona Smith. *Sex is a Funny Word: A Book About Bodies, Feelings, and You*. New York, NY: Seven Stories Press, 2015.

#### **Middle/High School Curriculum**

*God's Gift of Sexuality: A Study for Young People*. Louisville, KY: Witherspoon Press. (currently out of print)

Goldfarb, Eva. *Our Whole Lives: Sexuality Education for Grades 10-12*. Boston, MA: Unitarian Universalist Association, 2014.

Millspaugh, Sarah Gibb. *The Advocacy Manual for Sexuality Education, Health and Justice : Resources for Communities of Faith*. Boston, MA: Unitarian Universalist Association, 1999.

Wilson, Pamela. *Our Whole Lives: Sexuality Education for Grades 7-9 (Junior High School)*. Boston, MA: Unitarian Universalist Association, 2014.

Morriss, Makanah, Jory Agate, Lizann Bassham, & Gordon Svoboda II. *Sexuality and Our Faith: A Companion to Our Whole Lives Grades 7-9 (Our Whole Lives)*. Boston, MA: Unitarian Universalist Association, 2014.

Morriss, Makanah, Jory Agate, Lizann Bassham, & Gordon Svoboda II, *Sexuality and Our Faith: A Companion to Our Whole Lives Grades 10-12 (Our Whole Lives)* Boston, MA: Unitarian Universalist Association, 1999.

Ritchie, James. *Created by God Student Book: Tweens, Faith, and Human Sexuality*. Nashville, TN: Abingdon Press, 2010.

Robinson-Harris, Tracey. *Beyond pink and blue: Exploring our stereotypes of sexuality and gender: a program for ages 13 to 15*. Boston, MA: Unitarian Universalist Association, 1994.

### **LGBTQ Resources**

Sanders, Cody J. *A Brief Guide to Ministry with LGBTQIA Youth*. Louisville, KY: Presbyterian Publishing, 2017.

Killermann, Sam. *A Guide to Gender: The Social Justice Advocate's Handbook*. 2nd ed. Austin, TX: Impetus Books, 2017.

[How to Be a Great Ally to Trans People: A Training By and For Non-Trans People: Facilitator Manual](#), from "A Practice Spirit, Do Justice Toolkit: Faithfully Responding to Anti-LGBTQ Legislation."

[Fulfilling Our Divine Calling to Live Authentically: A Self-Reflection Exercise](#), from "A Practice Spirit, Do Justice Toolkit: Faithfully Responding to Anti-LGBTQ Legislation."

[Gender Diversity in Jewish Sacred Texts](#), lesson plan from Keshet's [Resource Library](#).

[Transgender Inclusion in Congregations](#), an online course from the Transforming Hearts Collective offered through the UU Leadership Institute (open and accessible to people of all faiths)

[Transfaith for Allies](#), an online training from Transfaith designed to be useful to transgender and non-transgender people who want to deepen their commitment to caring for transgender communities.

### **Pedagogy Resources**

Courtney T. Goto. *The Grace of Playing: Pedagogies for Leaning into God's New Creation*. Eugene, OR: Pickwick Publications, 2016.

Beth Berila. *Integrating Mindfulness into Anti-Oppression Pedagogy: Social Justice in Higher Education*. New York, NY: Routledge Press, 2015.

bell hooks. *Teaching to Transgress: Education as the Practice of Freedom*. New York, NY: Routledge, 1994.

### **Further Resources:**

Religious Institute has a massive list of curricula, research data, ongoing projects, and current articles centered around justice and inclusion. There is a wealth of resources available through them on a broad range of issues related to sexuality, gender, and reproductive justice, including trainings for congregational leaders, workshops and lesson plans for congregations, and first-hand accounts. You can find an annotated bibliography of resources compiled by Dr. Kate Ott on their website at <http://religiousinstitute.org/resources/annotated-bibliography-of-sexuality-education-curricula/>