



NoCo Beet

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Time to renew engagement with your library.

The Northern Colorado Faith Library may have appeared quiet during the worst of the pandemic but catalogers were hard at work, books were being delivered and we had time to think creatively. Now that doors are open again, the library looks livelier and more than 50 items were placed in circulation during the first three weeks of June.

One underutilized feature of the online catalog is the opportunity to post reviews for any of the 6,000 books, audiobooks, DVDs, and Blu-ray Discs in the library. Will you help us improve the library by posting at least one review? Here's how to do it:

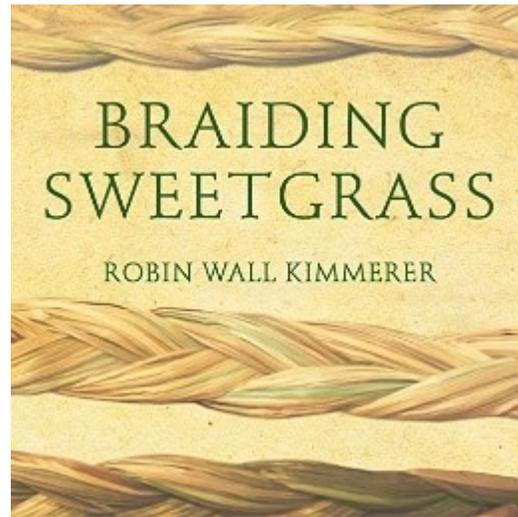
1. Go to the [home page](#).
2. From the dropdown menu, select the title [The Art of Racing in the Rain](#) by Garth Stein.
3. On the record for that book, find these words in small green type "[Be the first to submit a comment & rating](#)." Click on that link, write a sentence, a few sentences, or a few paragraphs. Give it a star rating, put your name in the space for "Student" and hit "Submit." We will review your submission and post it.

If you want to find the whole list of books that have been reviewed, go to the home page, find the long horizontal blue bar and select "[Reader Review](#)" in gold type. Click on that for the list. Of course, it would be wonderful to have multiple reviews of any holding – especially if there's disagreement!

It's summertime and events are slim. Thus, a smaller *Beet* this month.

David W. Reid, editor

The **Interfaith Spirituality Book of the Month** continues a study of *Braiding Sweetgrass: Indigenous Wisdom, Scientific Knowledge and the Teachings of Plants* by Robin Wall Kimmerer. Discussion will focus on sections 2 and 3, which are pages 63-201 in the paperback book. Meeting time is 3 p.m. July 18. For location, contact Martha Conant at martha.conant@gmail.com.



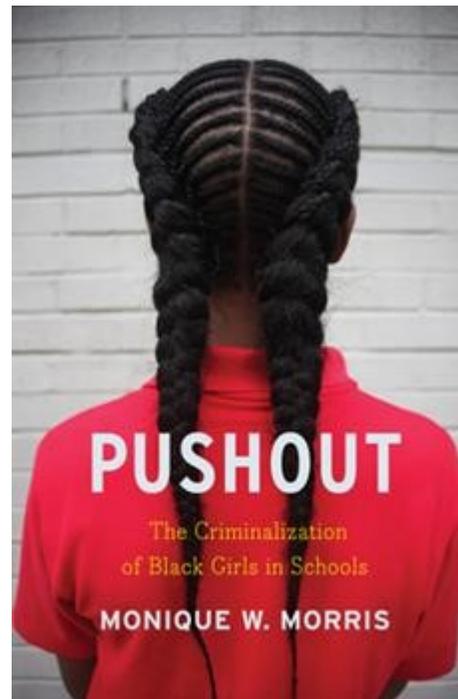
Here are **seven recent additions** to the [Northern Colorado Faith Library Catalog](#).

- [*The Walk: Five Essential Practices of the Christian Faith*](#) by Adam Hamilton
- [*Lies My Preacher Told Me: An Honest Look at the Old Testament*](#) by Brent A. Strawn
- [*Love Is the Way: Holding on to Hope in Troubling Times*](#) by Bishop Michael Curry with Sara Grace
- [*The Methodist Defense of Women in Ministry: A Documentary History*](#) by Paul Wesley Chilcote
- [*Jesus and John Wayne: How White Evangelicals Corrupted a Faith and Fractured a Nation*](#) by Kristin Kobes Du Mez
- [*The Power Worshipers: Inside the Dangerous Rise of Religious Nationalism*](#) by Katherine Stewart
- [*Practicing What the Doctor Preached: At Home with Focus on the Family*](#) by Susan B. Ridgely



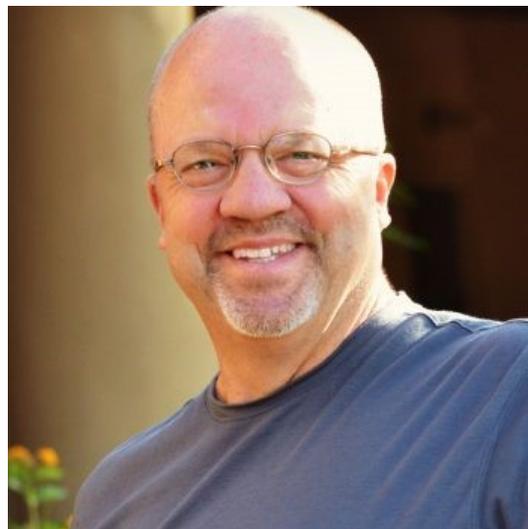
Pastor Melanie Martin-Dent will lead a four-session **Mission u virtual study** that uses Monique Morris'

book *Pushout* and the Bible to raise awareness of the crisis faced by many Black girls in obtaining an education. Dates are July 21, 22, 28 and 29. [Registration](#) is open at mtnskyumw.org. The class is sponsored by Mountain Sky Conference Mission Team and Mountain Sky United Methodist Women. It is free and open to all adults.



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Biblical scholar **Rev. Dr. Allen Hilton** offers four [online sessions](#) on Paul's Letter to the Philippians through Yale Divinity School. You must register for this free course. The first session is July 14.



The **Parliament of the World's Religions** convened for the first time in 1893, with some participants traveling months to attend. In October 2021, it will [convene virtually](#) for the first time. Early bird registration closes August 31.

The Parliament's mission is to cultivate harmony among the world's religious and spiritual communities and to foster engagement with the world and its

guiding institutions to address critical issues. Presenters will include Marianne Williamson, Swami Sarvapriyananda, Grandmother Flordemayo, Bishop William E. Swing, Dr. Karen Armstrong and Rabbi David Rosen.



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