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## First Digital Collection— Landwehr Sermons

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The United Library recently completed its first-ever digitization project and published the Arthur J. Landwehr Sermon Collection on the web. The entire digital collection is now freely available for the public access through the library website (<http://library.garrett.edu/2013-07-26-04-50-20/digital-collections>). The digitization of the Landwehr sermons began in 2008 when Mrs. Avonna Lee Anderson donated her late husband's sermons to the United Library. Dr. Lucy Chung, Director of the Library said, "It took a few years for the library staff to complete the digitization project of these sermons. It is a proud product of hard work and collaboration of many different people involved. It is with great joy that we can share Rev. Landwehr's lifelong work, which is a significant part of the history of Garrett-Evangelical and The United Methodist Church, with the public world." This digital collection includes 1,027 sermons that Landwehr wrote and delivered during his over 40-year ministry from late 1950s to 2000. The public user may browse the sermons individually, search for any keyword, or search for the use of individual biblical books within the collection.

Rev. Dr. Arthur J. Landwehr, II (1934-2003), received a Bachelor of Divinity degree from Garrett Biblical Institute (now Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary) in 1959. During his over 40-year ministry, he pastored churches in Lyndon, Marseilles, Lisle, Elmhurst, Evanston, and Naperville until he retired in 2002. Landwehr founded Ecumenical Insights, the first post-Vatican II laity-centered ecumenical program in the United States and developed a coffee-house ministry called Logos which addressed such contemporary social issues as racism, drugs, and Viet Nam. He began symposiums that brought together prominent Chicago business leaders and theologians to discuss current ethical issues. He was also involved in the struggle against racial apartheid in South Africa and in peacemaking and reconciliation efforts. Landwehr was recognized as one of Chicago's 10 outstanding preachers by The Chicago Tribune while pastoring the First United Methodist Church of Evanston (1975-1988), and during his 12-year

leadership at Grace United Methodist Church of Naperville (1988-2000) the church grew to be the largest church in the Northern Illinois Conference of the United Methodist Church. A prolific writer, he wrote books including *In the Third Place* (Abingdon Press, 1972) as well as articles for *Christian Century*, *The Quarterly Review*, and other journals. From 1976 to 1988, he served Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary as a trustee and was honored as a lifetime trustee in 2000. Landwehr received a Distinguished Alum award from Garrett-Evangelical in 2002.

The Arthur Landwehr Sermon Collection

Arthur J. Landwehr (1934-2003)  
The Arthur Landwehr Sermon Collection includes digital files of 1,027 sermons written and preached during his tenure as a Methodist minister from 1956 to 2000. A prominent preacher, leader, writer, and ecumenist, Landwehr has impacted so many lives by communicating his deep passion for the Christian tradition as well as being to reach out to engage issues facing the world. A native of Illinois, Landwehr received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Drake University in Des Moines, IA in 1956, a Bachelor of Divinity degree from Garrett Biblical Institute (now Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary) in Evanston, IL in 1959, and then an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from North Central College in Naperville, IL during his over 40-year ministry. He pastored churches in Lyndon, Marseilles, Lisle, Elmhurst, Evanston, and Naperville until he retired as senior minister emeritus of Grace United Methodist Church in Naperville. Landwehr founded Ecumenical Insights, the first post-Vatican II laity-centered ecumenical program in the United States and developed a coffee-house ministry called Logos which addressed such contemporary social issues as racism, drugs, and Viet Nam. He began symposiums that brought together prominent Chicago business leaders and theologians to discuss current ethical issues. He was also involved in the struggle against racial apartheid in South Africa and in peacemaking and reconciliation efforts. Landwehr was recognized as one of Chicago's 10 outstanding preachers by The Chicago Tribune while pastoring the First United Methodist Church of Evanston (1975-1988), and during his 12-year leadership at Grace United Methodist Church of Naperville (1988-2000) the church grew to be the largest church in the Northern Illinois Conference of the United Methodist Church. As a prolific writer, he wrote books including *In the Third Place* (Abingdon Press, 1972) as well as articles for *Christian Century*, *The Quarterly Review*, and other journals. From 1976 to 1988, he served Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary as a trustee and was honored as a lifetime trustee in 2000. Landwehr received a Distinguished Alum award from Garrett-Evangelical in 2002.

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## Special Library Exhibits



The United Library's display cases have been full of documents, books, and memorabilia to commemorate some very special events on campus. Last fall, we celebrated the retirement of President Philip Amerson with a display celebrating his life and work, with materials highlighting the many years he and his spouse Elaine Amerson spent together in ministry. In February, in conjunction with The Center for the Church and the Black Experience at Garrett-Evangelical and Black History Month, the Library showcased a selection of resources celebrating women

who were active in the Civil Rights Movement, in educating for equality, and in lifting up the voices of Black women in ministry. March was Women's History Month, and a perfect time to celebrate Garrett-Evangelical's first woman president, Dr. Lallene J. Rector. The Library hosted a large display of many women-firsts at Garrett-Evangelical, including the first woman theology professor at Garrett, Georgia Harkness, and the first woman academic dean, Rosemary Skinner Keller.



## New Lent and Advent Library Guides

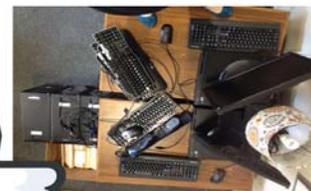


This academic year the library added Advent and Lent library guides to its website. A library guide is a collection of resources that library staff believe represent the wide variety the library has to offer. We choose entries from encyclopedias in the print and online reference collection, books from the regular collection, articles and poetry from databases, websites from the web, and even music and movies that can be checked out or downloaded. We want to get the word out about our fantastic resources! By creating library guides, we are hoping not only to guide research toward the helpful resources on a specific topic, but also to inform users about the many wonderful resources they have available to them and can turn to in the future. Please take an opportunity to check out the guides. You can find them by going to the [library website](#) and selecting Research on the top toolbar, then Library Guides.

## New Computers

For many people, when they think library, they think books. It's true, we librarians here at The United Library love books! However, some might be surprised to learn how much time we spend logged onto computers not in the stacks with the books. We are dependent on computers for managing the library's collection, patron accounts, updating cataloging records, processing gift books, updating the website online—the list goes on. Our staff computers here have been long overdue for an upgrade and we are very excited that replacements have arrived.

13 new Lenovo computers, assembled in



America, are currently being implemented into staff offices. We are much appreciative of the collaborative efforts from the Business office and Garrett IT. So how has the integration of these new laptops and desktops gone? "Pretty smoothly. A lot of prep time, but it's worth it. They should be a lot faster," said Rob Morris, IT staff. Staff and student workers alike have commented that the updated operating systems, Windows 7, and fresh disk space are making their work much more efficient. We're still working on installing a few straggling pieces of software, and the implementation of the circulation computer, perhaps one of the most important machines, we're saving till the end. Gone are the days of freezing and crashing, we couldn't be happier. Now, back to the books.

## Student Workers in the Library

The United Library could not operate without its exceptional student workers. The library employs 15 students and another five work on special projects as volunteers. All our student workers are Garrett students, at different stages in their academic careers and in both Master's and Ph.D. programs.



Our circulation assistants are John, Paige, Doug, Katie, Cassidhe, Emily, Andy, and HeeWon (who is also our book shelver). They are in charge of checking books in and out, retrieving reserve materials, answering basic reference questions, and troubleshooting issues with the printer and copier. When they aren't busy assisting patrons, they work on special projects assigned by the librarians and keep the main floor tidy. Some of these students have had previous experience in working in libraries, and some are brand new to library work. All of them, however, are dedicated to library users and almost pathologically helpful.

Our behind-the-scenes technical service student workers don't have direct contact with the patrons, but their work in the library is no less important. These students are Dae-Gyu, Chan IK, Daniel, Katye, Whitney, Julie, and Winter. Dae-Gyu and Chan assist in processing new books to go out into circulation and adding barcodes and security tags to books already in the collection; Winter and Whitney work on book preservation and repair; Julie works with our archives; Katye assists with our electronic resources and in digitizing items in the collection; and Daniel works in filling interlibrary loan requests and with processing books to go on the reserve shelf.

Five leadership students are volunteering in the library. They are Sam, Jeremy, Joseph, Kyongran, and Liz. They work mostly on adding security tags to books, creating spine labels, and in searching for lost and missing books. These are tasks that can seem minor, but are crucial in the day-to-day operations of the library, and free the staff for other projects.

Making hiring decisions is always difficult, and we are blessed to have such a talented pool of students to draw from. The student workers at the United Library are truly an exceptional group, and we are proud that they have chosen to work with us. Besides their work in the library, they are our ambassadors to the student population. Be sure to say hello, and ask any of them if you need assistance when you are in the library. Working in the library is another way of being of service to the students, staff, and faculty of Garrett and furthering God's work through others.



## Ott Lounge— Place of Hospitality

The Ott Lounge at Stead Hall, a generous gift from Bishop & Mrs. Don and Jan Ott, has provided space for numerous informative and fun gatherings hosted by The United Library. We hosted a breakfast break for students during finals week, a cozy fireside conversation with President Amerson (complete with cookies!), and storytime for children every Wednesday afternoon. The Ott Lounge is always bustling with students studying, relaxing, and enjoying each other's company in this very inviting space.

## Featured E-Resource: Twentieth Century Religious Thought

One could think of Twentieth Century Religious Thought as a collection of online books and manuscripts. Certainly online access to books by theologians such as Jurgen Moltmann (23), James Cone (4), Rosemary Ruediger (1) Gustavo Gutierrez (7), and many others, could be extremely valuable in itself. But this resource is

designed less for reading page by page through a text and instead makes possible searching multiple texts or authors in order to compare their thoughts and ideas. A simple search for evil, suffering, or the Trinity will generate a list of all occurrences of these words along with links to their locations in the texts. The results list may be sorted by author,



title, or time period. Currently available only on computers on campus, we hope to soon be able to offer off-campus access as well. Right now the easiest way to access this resource is by going to the [library home page](#) and clicking on the Twentieth Century Religious Thought slide.



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## NUCat vs. Primo

Here at The United Library, we are fortunate to have so many resources: physical books, serials, DVDs, CDs, reserve materials, databases, eJournals, Library Guides and eBooks. It can be overwhelming to know where to start searching and frustrating to crawl through several different search interfaces. With the busy schedules of our patrons, finding the time to get comfortable with more than one database might not be a reality, which of course limits the depth and breadth of search results. With this in mind, we are excitedly anticipating the introduction of a new discovery and delivery tool that will serve to consolidate this searching process. Currently, our patrons use NUCat, which is an online catalog, that searches the library's catalog records. We can think of it like a digital version of a card catalog and it is exactly where you'd want to be if you were looking for resources here on the shelf or wanted to know if we had electronic access to a journal. However, if you wanted to

search down to the article level for resources available in full—text online, you'd typically start your search through a particular database. Interested in eBooks? That would mean traveling to yet another web location and learning that repository's search interface.

Starting this coming fall, our community will have access to a new discovery tool called Primo. All from one search box, this search system combs through not only our local database of catalog records, but also externally indexed databases as well. What does this mean? Ideally, this new tool will gather and display results from not only our online catalog, but also indexed databases, eBook repositories and more. This one-stop-searching will reduce much of the need to research in multiple sites. Records will be relevance-ranked and the intuitive results page has selectors that allow a user to continue to narrow down their search directly from that screen. The roll out for Primo is anticipated for late summer and will be integrated into the homepage of the library's website.

