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### **For Immediate Release:**

June 6, 2012 – Minneapolis, MN – Augsburg Fortress is pleased to announce the release of a new adult discipleship resource, *Go Make Disciples: An Invitation to Baptismal Living*. This informative handbook is intended to help congregations implement the task of making disciples in their own community by providing updated resources for preparing adults for baptism or affirmation of baptism and for Christian discipleship.

*Go Make Disciples* has been prepared by eighteen contributors and endorsed by scholars and leaders of various denominations, and offers a “hands-on” approach to discipleship in the following ways:

- It presents helpful and practical tools for welcoming seekers and forming disciples today;
- It distills the best of the church’s experiences and resources that promote ministry in daily life;
- harvesting the wisdom of practitioners of the contemporary catechumenate, providing guidance for leading this process in any size or type of congregation;
- equipping congregations as they engage in the work of baptismal living.

This resource is appropriate for a wide range of Protestant denominations, especially Lutheran, Episcopal, Anglican, United Methodist, Presbyterian, and Reformed congregations.

### **Reviews:**

**Gail Ramshaw, Lutheran scholar and Professor of Religion at LaSalle University**, writes: “This ecumenical guide to the restored catechumenate is brimming with worship suggestions, personal stories, sample outlines for instructional sessions, even a glossary for those churches that want, not merely to increase their membership, but to make disciples of Jesus Christ. Congregations considering the catechumenate as well as those already engaged in this way of making disciples will find much assistance in this accessible handbook.”

**Katharine Jefferts Schori, Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church**, suggests that this new handbook “offers a map and a guide for taking the Jesus road, beginning with hearing the stories and telling the tales of that journey. This is a guide for leaders and congregations who want to help themselves and others learn to walk in company, how to climb the hills and keep going in the dark, and above all, how to make this *the journey of your life*, toward the Reign of God.”

*Go Make Disciples: An Invitation to Baptismal Living* has two components: The handbook (978-1-4514-2612-0) is in paperback for \$12.99 (Quantity discounts available) and a CD-ROM with many worship rites for the various mainline denominations (978-1-4514-2613-7) for \$24.95.

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