The Rev. A. Katherine Grieb Ph.D., Meade Professor of Biblical Interpretation and Professor of New Testament at Virginia Theological Seminary, recommends the following books as part of the Bishop Payne Library's monthly series highlighting a faculty member's "picks":


**Christine M. Panyard. The Sistine Chapel: A Biblical Tour.** From Paulist Press. This is the first book to bring together Michelangelo's paintings on the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel with the biblical stories on which they are based, demonstrating Michelangelo's interpretation of Scripture. This book is useful for pilgrims to Rome, of course, but also for anyone interested in biblical hermeneutics through the arts.

**Gary A. Anderson. Charity: The Place of the Poor in the Biblical Tradition.** This book came out in 2013 and was reviewed at the AAR/SBL Annual Meeting in Baltimore. I would also strongly recommend his other recent book, *Sin: A History* (2010 and now in paperback). Gary Anderson teaches Old Testament at Notre Dame and is a well respected Roman Catholic biblical theologian.

**R. Walter Moberly. Old Testament Theology: Reading the Hebrew Bible as Christian Scripture.** (Baker Academic Books, 2013) Walter Moberly of the University of Durham, England, is an Anglican Priest and theologian as well as a biblical scholar. He reads biblical texts both with care and with kindness, so the book is full of seasoned wisdom useful for pastoral care. This book was also reviewed at the AAR/SBL Annual Meeting.

**Frank T. Griswold, Praying Our Days: A Guide and Companion.** (Morehouse Publishing, 2009). Anyone who experienced Bishop Griswold’s Advent retreat (Fridays at the Seminary in December) or who has taken a course with him here or elsewhere, will already know the wisdom that informs this little gem of a book that collects ancient and modern prayers, meditations, and ikons for devotional use in a pocket-size edition you can slip into your suitcase. The Right Rev. Frank T. Griswold was the Twenty-fifth Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church. Among many other things, he co-chaired the Anglican-Roman Catholic International Commission and the Episcopal Church’s Standing Liturgical Commission before he retired in 2006.