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*The Longest Day* Penguin  
 In autumn, daylight begins to decrease, the weather grows colder, and the harvest begins to wither. Just as Americans today celebrate Thanksgiving, peoples of many cultures brighten this season of increasing darkness with festivals to give thanks for the harvest bounty that will sustain them through the long winter to come. THE AUTUMN EQUINOX offers some fascinating descriptions of how peoples of the past celebrated the harvest season. Features include a Native American harvest tale, and some hands-on activities, among them instructions for making Chinese Moon Cakes, an African Harvest Drum, and a model of a Jewish Sukkah.

## Celebrating the Summer Solstice

HarperCollins

A tender, moving and joyous story from one of our nation's premier poets, John Agard From above earth, from above sky, from below earth, from under water, come all you little persons come exactly as you are. Come little bird person, come little bee person, come little tree person - little persons from all over the world join together to celebrate the dance of life and love in this stunning poem from John Agard. Stunningly illustrated by Jessica Courtney-Tickle, this is a book that both little persons and big persons will treasure and pore over for a lifetime, and is a true poem of our time. 'A lyrical collaboration . . . a joyful, tender dance, celebrating people, places and the glory of existence.' Guardian 'This book is a celebration of childhood and the natural world in all its rich diversity.' BookTrust

*Gather at Home* New Growth Press  
 Introduces the history of agriculture and the festivals that arose around the harvest, including information on the seasons and activities that celebrate autumn.

*Celebrating the Harvest* Simon and Schuster

From USCCB Publishing, this revision of the General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM) seeks to promote more conscious, active, and full participation of the faithful in the mystery of the Eucharist. While the Missale Romanum contains the rite and prayers for Mass, the GIRM provides specific detail about each element of the Order of Mass as well as other information related to the Mass.

**American Awakening** Houghton Mifflin Harcourt

Watch seeds grow right before your eyes in this follow-up title to *How Does a Seed*

Grow? Readers can follow the fun clues and guess which fruits or vegetables will grow from each seed. With a lift of each foldout flap, kids can watch the seeds take root in the soil, sprout from the ground, and finally, make the fruits and veggies we love to eat! A tiny kernel grows a bright yellow ear of corn, a pumpkin seed grows a big orange pumpkin, an apple seed grows juicy red apples, a carrot seed grows a smooth orange carrot, and a bean seed grows crunchy green string beans. Each cardstock page of this book folds out into a large 14" x 14" inch page that reveals a child enjoying the healthy and delicious fruits and veggies that the seeds have become!

**Becoming a Dangerous Woman** Simon and Schuster

When Possum wakes up one evening and sees the full harvest moon, he decides to throw one last party before the long winter. But everyone is too busy preparing for winter and it looks as if nobody will come to Possum's party.

*We Gather at This Table* Scholastic Inc.  
"Hosts of all kinds, this is a must-read!" -- Chris Anderson, owner and curator of TED  
From the host of the New York Times podcast Together Apart, an exciting new approach to how we gather that will transform the ways we spend our time together—at home, at work, in our communities, and beyond. In *The Art of Gathering*, Priya Parker argues that the gatherings in our lives are lackluster and unproductive--which they don't have to be. We rely too much on routine and the conventions of gatherings when we should focus on distinctiveness and the people involved. At a time when coming together is more important than ever, Parker sets forth a human-centered approach to gathering that will help everyone create meaningful, memorable experiences, large and small, for work and for play. Drawing on her expertise as a facilitator of high-powered gatherings around the world, Parker takes us inside events of all kinds to show what works, what doesn't, and why. She investigates a wide array of gatherings--conferences, meetings, a courtroom, a flash-mob party, an Arab-Israeli summer camp--and explains how simple, specific changes can invigorate any group experience. The result is a book that's both journey and guide, full of exciting ideas with real-world applications. *The Art of Gathering* will forever alter the way you look at your next meeting, industry conference, dinner party, and backyard barbecue--and how you host and attend them.

General Instruction of the Roman Missal  
Puffin

The fall equinox signals the time of year when we gather our harvests and give thanks for their bounty. With accessible, lyrical prose and vibrant illustrations, this nonfiction picture book explains the science behind autumn and the social history of harvest-time celebrations. *We Gather Together* presents a remarkable range of cultural traditions throughout the ages and the world, many of which have influenced our contemporary Thanksgiving holiday. Simple science activities, ideas for celebrating in school and at home, and a further reading list are included in the back of the book.

**Embracing Risk to Change the World** Penguin

The author records the years in which her life hinged on retaining her pride and dignity among the street people of Los Angeles.

*The Collected Poems of Lucille Clifton 1965-2010* Little Simon

In this delightful story, written in verse, we journey through the seasons with the farmer--from winter rest to autumn harvest. Along the way, we meet the elements as they bring help for the seeds to grow. Stitched binding. Printed in color throughout on recycled paper using vegetable based inks. (Ages 4-7)

*How We Meet and Why It Matters* Orca Book Publishers

NATIONAL BESTSELLER Popular blogger and lifestyle influencer Monika Hibbs shares her favourite recipes and crafts to bring thoughtful touches to all of life's moments--big or small. Monika Hibbs has found joy in planning gatherings since she was a little girl, but it's not just the hallmark occasions she spends time thinking about. Over the years, she has learned just how important it is to slow down and savour life's simple, everyday moments, in addition to the holidays and milestones. In *Gather at Home*, Monika Hibbs shares her favourite relaxed and easy ways to make your everyday moments and seasonal celebrations special. Use Monika's collection of over 100 simple recipes, crafts, and do-it-yourself projects, conveniently divided by season, to turn your Friday family games night, Mother's Day brunch, holiday dinner, or outdoor evening barbecue into something memorable, and to create other effortless moments that your friends and family will cherish for years to come. You'll find breakfast, lunch, dinner, and dessert ideas to fit the mood of every season, as well as crafts and do-it-yourself projects you can easily get the kids involved with. Draw inspiration from the lush photography, and add Monika's extra-special touches to make every moment a

well-crafted one that will show your family and friends just how much you care.

**By the Light of the Harvest Moon** Seal Press

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • From an award-winning journalist at The Atlantic, these searing essays make a powerful case that "real hope lies not in a sunny nostalgia for American greatness but in seeing this history plain—in all of its brutality, unadorned by euphemism" (The New York Times). NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY NPR • "No writer better demonstrates how American dreams are so often sabotaged by American history. Adam Serwer is essential."—Ta-Nehisi Coates "Trump summoned the most treacherous forces in American history and conducted them with the ease of a grand maestro." Like many of us, Adam Serwer didn't know that Donald Trump would win the 2016 election. But over the four years that followed, the Atlantic staff writer became one of our most astute analysts of the Trump presidency and the volatile powers it harnessed. The shock that greeted Trump's victory, and the subsequent cruelty of his presidency, represented a failure to confront elements of the American past long thought vanquished. In this searing collection, Serwer chronicles the Trump administration not as an aberration but as an outgrowth of the inequalities the United States was founded on. Serwer is less interested in the presidential spectacle than in the ideological and structural currents behind Trump's rise—including a media that was often blindsided by the ugly realities of what the administration represented and how it came to be. While deeply engaged with the moment, Serwer's writing is also haunted by ghosts of an unresolved American past, a past that torments the present. In bracing new essays and previously published works, he explores white nationalism, myths about migration, the political power of police unions, and the many faces of anti-Semitism. For all the dynamics he examines, cruelty is the glue, the binding agent of a movement fueled by fear and exclusion. Serwer argues that rather than pretending these four years didn't happen or dismissing them as a brief moment of madness, we must face what made them possible and continues to endure. Unless we confront these toxic legacies, the fragile dream of American multiracial democracy will remain vulnerable to the forces that have nearly destroyed it time and again.  
*The Moon Within* One World  
A New York Times bestseller with an "engaging narrative and array of detail"

(The Wall Street Journal), the “intimate and sweeping” (Raleigh News & Observer) untold, true story behind the Biltmore Estate—the largest, grandest private residence in North America, which has seen more than 120 years of history pass by its front door. The story of Biltmore spans World Wars, the Jazz Age, the Depression, and generations of the famous Vanderbilt family, and features a captivating cast of real-life characters including F. Scott Fitzgerald, Thomas Wolfe, Teddy Roosevelt, John Singer Sargent, James Whistler, Henry James, and Edith Wharton. Orphaned at a young age, Edith Stuyvesant Dresser claimed lineage from one of New York’s best known families. She grew up in Newport and Paris, and her engagement and marriage to George Vanderbilt was one of the most watched events of Gilded Age society. But none of this prepared her to be mistress of Biltmore House. Before their marriage, the wealthy and bookish Vanderbilt had dedicated his life to creating a spectacular European-style estate on 125,000 acres of North Carolina wilderness. He summoned the famous landscape architect Frederick Law Olmsted to tame the grounds, collaborated with celebrated architect Richard Morris Hunt to build a 175,000-square-foot chateau, filled it with priceless art and antiques, and erected a charming village beyond the gates. Newlywed Edith was now mistress of an estate nearly three times the size of Washington, DC and benefactress of the village and surrounding rural area. When fortunes shifted and changing times threatened her family, her home, and her community, it was up to Edith to save Biltmore—and

secure the future of the region and her husband’s legacy. This is the fascinating, “soaring and gorgeous” (Karen Abbott) story of how the largest house in America flourished, faltered, and ultimately endured to this day.

**The Art of Gathering** Harper Collins  
Presents a tale about a fallen oak tree in the forest, teaching young readers about its life cycle and the various purposes that it serves in the ecosystem during every step of its life cycle.

*Dictionary of Early Christian Beliefs*  
Turtleback Books

Provides a collection of recipes for appetizers, entrees, sandwiches, side dishes, main dishes, soups, and desserts for everyday meals, weekends, entertaining, and holidays.

*The Autumn Equinox* Penguin

The contemporary African writer's classic novel depicting the destruction of traditional tribal life by the white man  
Puffin Books

The Basics of Ministry series explores parish ministries that are vital to an active and meaningful eucharistic celebration. Each book provides useful material for the recruitment and training of new ministers, as well as insights to revitalize those who have been involved in ministry for years. The series includes introductions to specific ministries, brief histories, spirituality and instructions. You also will find a list of other resources, along with prayers and questions for discussion and reflection.

**The Family Table** USCCB Publishing  
A final entry in the season-inspired series that includes *The Shortest Day* combines

vibrant illustrations with lyrical prose on summertime celebrations throughout the world.

**The Epic Story of Love, Loss, and American Royalty in the Nation's Largest Home** Puffin Books

Describes how and why daylight grows shorter as winter approaches, the effect of shorter days on animals and people, and how the winter solstice has been celebrated throughout history. Includes activities.

*What's It Like to Be a Fish?* Church Publishing

Explore with children and for yourself why we celebrate the Eucharist. Breaking bread with others is central to our faith. This book is an invitation to learn and wonder about why we worship and celebrate the Holy Eucharist. Although grounded in the Episcopal liturgical tradition, it is an accessible and inviting introduction to worship for children and families of many Christian traditions. While learning what occurs during worship and the Holy Eucharist, readers of all ages will be guided through the sacramental and communal aspects of the celebration and how in the breaking of bread we are called into the world. The beautiful full-color illustrations reflect the diversity of God’s people, and a dedication page encourages personalization. A family section offers questions and suggests ways for all ages to engage in worship and family rituals. Reflecting some of the spirit, beauty, and vocabulary of the Episcopal liturgy, this will be a treasured volume for parents, godparents, grandparents, and other important adults in the life of a child who is wondering about worship.

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