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TRANS-GENDERED

Theology, Ministry, and
Communities of Faith

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Trans-Gendered is the first title in a new series sponsored by The Center for Lesbian and Gay Studies in Religion and Ministry at Pacific School of Religion, Berkeley, California.

"I have always felt drawn to those on the margins of the religious landscape, both from personal conviction and because the Bible clearly tells us that that is where we can locate the divine. Following Jesus has meant, for me as a Christian, a continuing journey to the margins, to spend time with those that society may ridicule and isolate, to see the beauty and power of God working with them. Transgendered people clearly occupy a marginal space in Western society. I believe that when we go to the margins, we see God." - *Justin Tanis*

Tanis, a transgendered clergyperson seeks to explore the spiritual nature of transgendered persons, to listen to the stories of other like himself, and to give a positive voice to the community. Chapter topics include:

- An introduction to trans issues
- Gender variance and the Scriptures
- Transgendered people and faith communities
- Creating a genuine welcome for trans people in communities of faith
- Transgendered people and God
- Gender as a calling
- Transgendered body theology
- Transgendered theological thought

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