

Book Group News:

The John P. Webster Library coordinates and sponsors three book groups that meet regularly in the library. Copies of the books are provided for participants. New members are always welcome to either group! For more information, please contact Jennifer or Molly at 860-232-3893 or at jpwlibrary@whfirstchurch.org.

➤ **Awakening the Spirit**

Meets Mondays from 12-1:30 p.m.

Rev. Tom Carr, Jennifer deSimas, facilitators

We are reading Brian D. McLaren's [*Do I Stay Christian? A Guide for the Doubters, the Disappointed, and the Disillusioned*](#). McLaren publicly addresses the question that many people—including pastors, priests, and other religious leaders—are asking themselves.

➤ **Food for Thought**

Meets on the first Tuesday of the month from 5-6:30 p.m.

JPW Library Staff, facilitators

Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 4

We will discuss [*Small Things Like These*](#) by Claire Keegan. Join us if you've read (or listened to) the book!

AND at 6:15, author Maria Leda Souza Hogan ([*Samba of Survival: My Light Within*](#)), joins us again for a face-to-face discussion of her memoir and life story. All are welcome!

➤ **Believe in YourSHELF Tween Book Group**

Facilitated by Molly Bohman, JPWL Assistant Librarian

Next meeting: Sunday 3/16

For students in Grades 6-8: We meet (with snacks!) in the Community Room. Join us to discuss [*How It All Ends*](#) by Emma Hunsinger. Thirteen-year-old Tara skips 8th grade and enters high school, where the other students seem huge and uncontrollable, the teachers seem out of their element, and even her own sister has new preoccupations (like angsty music and racy TV shows) that Tara finds bewildering. But as she becomes more comfortable and makes friends in this new environment, will she change too, in ways she can't imagine? Some important and serious topics, with lots of humor and warmth. A great read for everybody (Amazon.com)

