

**Self-Study References for  
Rocky Hill Congregational Church's  
Open and Affirming Discernment Process**

Books in the lending library

- *Talking About Homosexuality*
- *Jesus, the Bible, and Homosexuality*
- *Congregations Talking about Homosexuality*

DVDs in the lending library

- Recording of April 6, 2008 presentation :*Different Ways We Read the Bible*
- Recording of April 27, 2008 program by Wayne Rollins: *Jesus, The Bible, and You*
- UCC Video: *Open and Affirming – A Journey of Faith*
- PBS program: *For the Bible Tells Me So*
- **NEW!** UCC Video: *Call Me Malcolm* – a new reference focusing specifically on transgender issues

Handouts to take with you from the lending library

- American Psychological Association article on Sexual Orientation
- American Psychological Association article on Gender Identity
- Documentation of responses to congregation's questions
- March 9, 2008 Presentation on "What is ONA?"

Website

- Documentation of all RHCC ONA programs
- Audio of September 28, 2008 scripture and sermon by Jonathan and Donna
- Short UTube video featuring several transgender individuals
- Documentation of the ONA process at the Windsor UCC church
- Helpful website links

Documents available both in the lending library and on the website

- UCC's history with the ONA issue
- Material shared in the April 6 program on *Different Ways We Read the Bible*
- Handouts from the small group Bible studies
- Article from SoulForce on the Biblical aspects of the ONA issue
- Articles from the American Psychological Association and PFLAG
- Several personal reflections about what it is like to be gay, some from our own members and some from elsewhere
- Information from churches that undertook an ONA process with varying results

RHCC ONA process documentation available on the website and in the lending library

- All church mailing from the Diaconate
- Frequently asked questions from the Diaconate
- Committee Charter and membership listing
- Committee meeting minutes
- Church Mouse articles
- September all church mailing from the ONA Committee
- Printed copy of the September 28 dialogue sermon presented by Jonathan and Donna