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Autism and Faith: A Journey into Community

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This publication grew out of the efforts and concerns of families and congregations who were looking for ways to include children and adults with autism in faith communities.

With articles by family members, theologians, pastors, rabbis, people with autism, and professionals, the booklet contains facts about autism, pastoral care, religious education, strategies for supporting families, tips for lay people, and a listing of religious and public resources. The articles are highlighted by real life stories from a number of families who responded to an autism and faith survey.

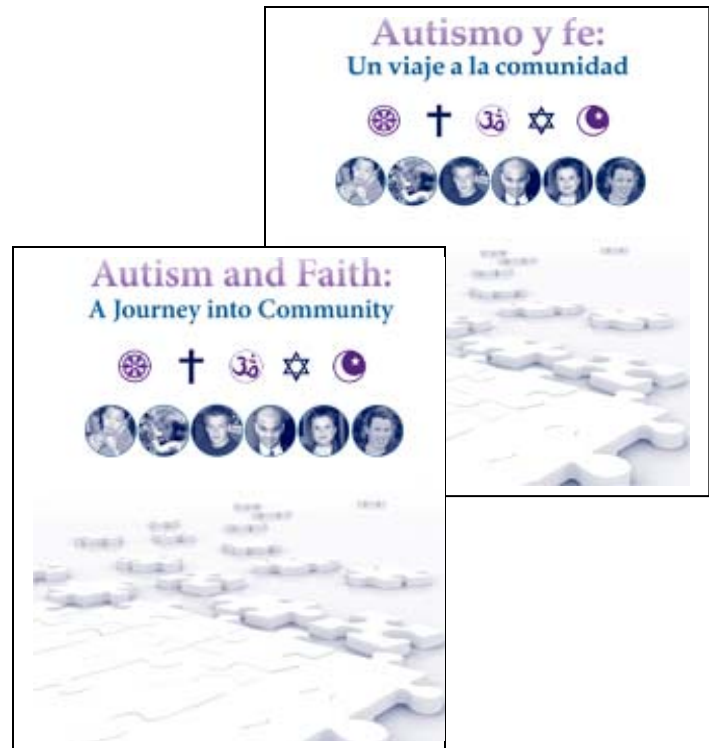
Sample articles include:

- Autism Life Cycles and Faith Communities
- Autism and the Family
- Creating Sanctuary: A Clergy's Guide

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