

## Resource Center for Women & Ministry in the South

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The Resource Center for Women & Ministry in the South is pleased to announce the upcoming publication of *Sea Level*, a debut novel by Nancy Kilgore.

*Sea Level* begins in 1980 when Brigid Peterson becomes the first woman minister in Sand Hill, Virginia, a remote town on the Delmarva Peninsula. Women's roles are in flux, in both church and society, and Brigid's parishioners are apprehensive about their new minister. But when, influenced by her artist friend Mary, she preaches about the female aspect of God, some of them become enraged, and the church is thrown into turmoil. Both Brigid and Mary become submerged in conflict and have to dive deeper into their own spiritual lives to find the way out.

"...brings to life the tensions that inevitably arise when a new minister is taken on by a congregation mired in its traditions..." -C.Michael Curtis, Fiction Editor, *The Atlantic*

"More than a novel about a woman in ministry; more than a tale about a small town church; *Sea Level* is a story about life and the real ways we learn to live in community. A touching narrative about things that matter."

- Lynne Hinton, author of *Friendship Cake*

"...crafted beautifully and originally...scenes vividly painted, characters carefully created...The contemplations on nature, small towns, faith, life, relationships, and misunderstandings are compelling and thoughtful...."

- Tania Aebi, author of *Maiden Voyage*

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