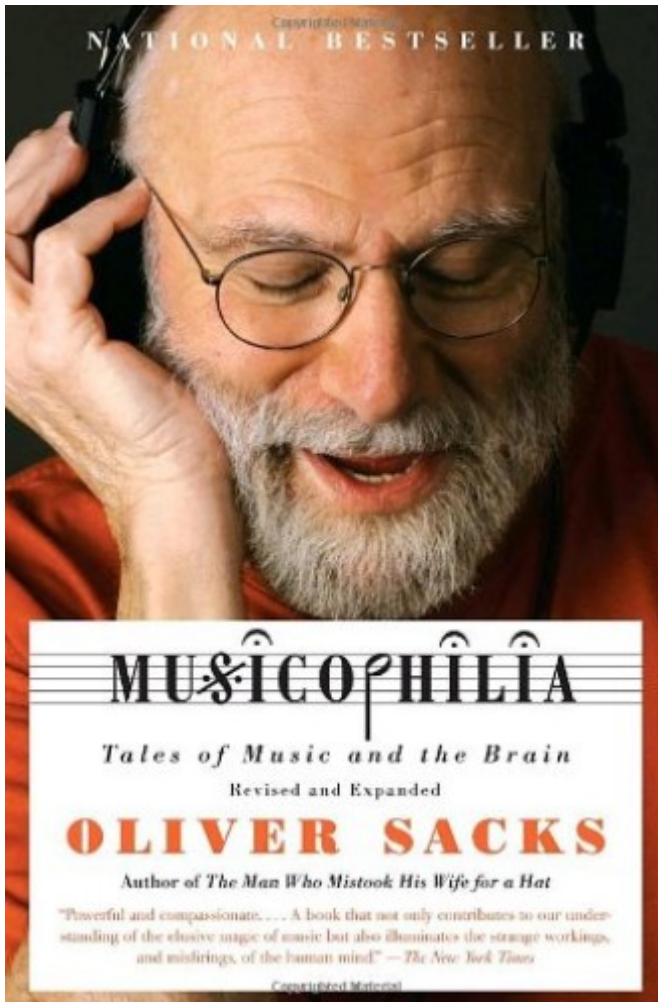


Summer reading list

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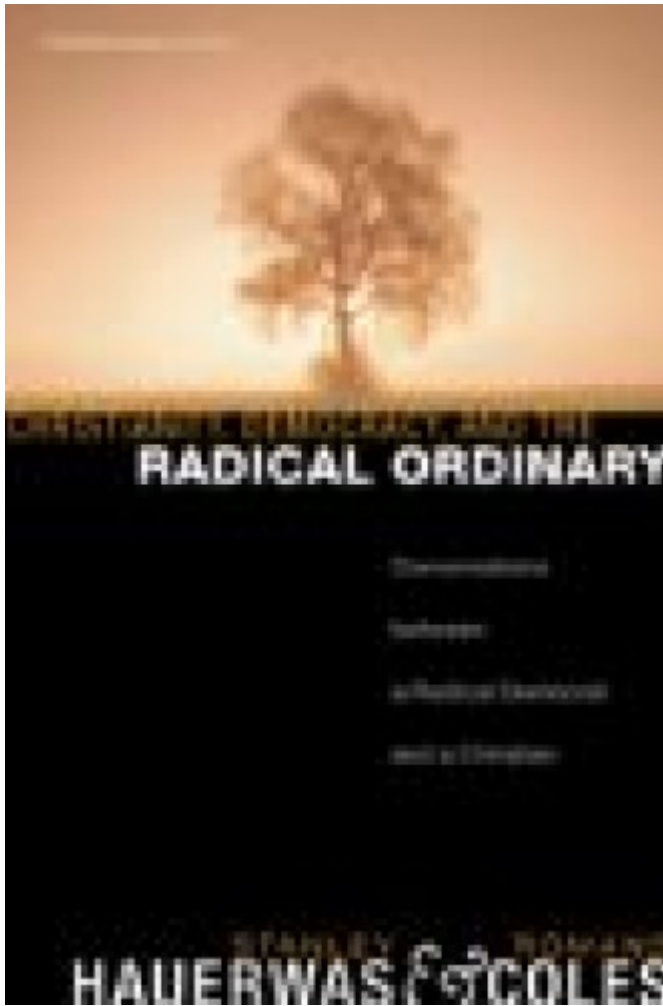
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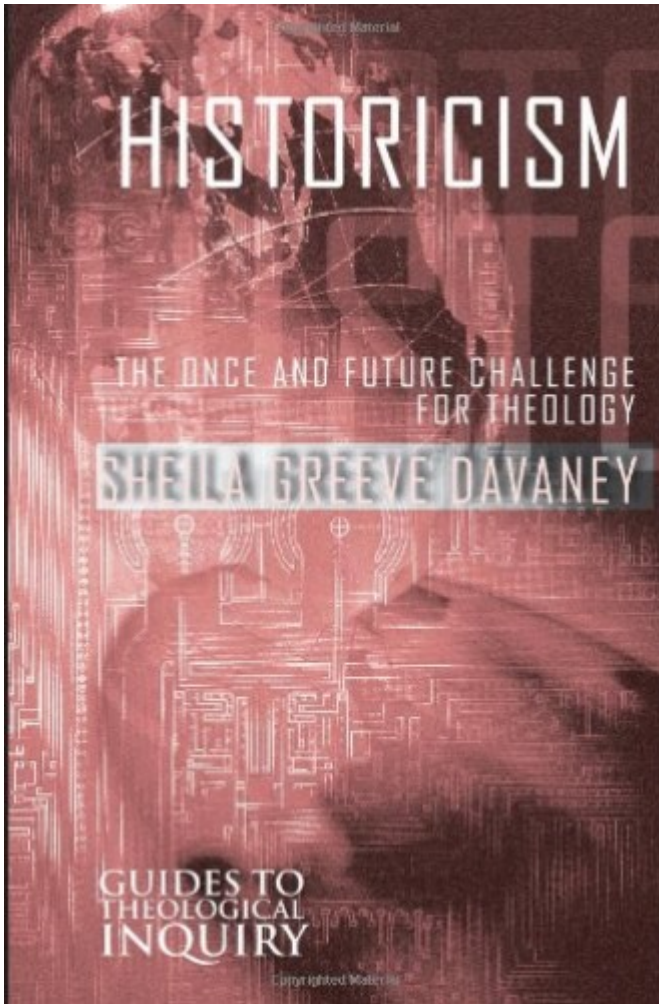
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What are you hoping to read this summer? We posed this question to the Century staff, a group of people with diverse tastes and interests. Along with commenting on our choices, feel free to post your own in the comments. --Ed.

Musicophilia, by Oliver Sacks. This promises to be a fascinating, in-depth account of the physiological/psychological/emotive effects music has on us.

Christianity, Democracy, and the Radical Ordinary, by Stanley Hauerwas and Romand Coles. A

constructive conversation between Hauerwas and political theorist Coles on the relationship between Christianity and democracy. Particularly relevant as an extension of my studies with Franklin Gamwell.

Historicism:

The Once and Future Challenge for Theology, by Sheila Greeve Davaney. I'm interested in how

Davaney's pragmatic historicism serves as a method for constructive theologians who take history

seriously--in particular, who take seriously the ethics of belief implicit in the historico-critical method.