



## Helpful Resources for Web Development Pitts Theology Library



### Web Development

- <http://www.htmlgoodies.com/> (Primers on HTML, JavaScript, etc.)
- <http://w3schools.com/> (Tutorials and reference guide for web technologies)
- <http://www.ilovejackdaniels.com/cheat-sheets/> (Cheat sheets for HTML, CSS, JavaScript, PHP, etc.)
- <http://www.alistapart.com/>
- <http://validator.w3.org/>

### Templates/Web Design

These are good places to start.

- <http://www.templatemonster.com/>
- <http://www.oswd.com/>
- <http://www.openwebdesign.com/>

### Domain Registration

Many web hosts will register your domain name for you, often very cheaply. I would caution against this, because transferring a domain is necessarily difficult.

- <http://www.dotster.com/>
- <http://www.godaddy.com/>

### Web Hosting

Choose a Linux or Unix server with PHP and MySQL database for the most flexibility.

Keep in mind that many ISPs give you web space with your internet service. If your site is serving a small audience and you don't need a special domain name, you may host your site with them.

- <http://www.webhostingtalk.com/> (Web Hosting Discussion Forums)
- <http://www.tophosts.com/>
- <http://webhost.thelist.com/>
- <http://www.hostingcatalog.com/>

### Free Blogging Platforms

- [http://www.ojr.org/ojr/images/blog\\_software\\_comparison.cfm](http://www.ojr.org/ojr/images/blog_software_comparison.cfm) (Blog software guide)
- <http://www.blogger.com/>
  - Blogger Instructions: <http://www.pitts.emory.edu/ResearchAssist/SocialSoftware.htm>
- <http://wordpress.com/>
- <http://www.livejournal.com/>

### Software

Professional (expensive) software and free alternatives.

- DreamWeaver – the professional standard web development software
- HTML-Kit (<http://www.chami.com/html-kit/>) – free web development software
- Photoshop – the professional standard in image manipulation
- GIMP (<http://www.gimp.org/>) – free image manipulation

### Church Specific Resources

- <http://healyourchurchwebsite.com/>
- <http://www.churchwebsitehelp.com/>
- <http://archives.umc.org/interior.asp?ptid=1&mid=11331> (Web ministry planning guide)
- [http://hrr.hartsem.edu/leadership/designing\\_church\\_sites.html](http://hrr.hartsem.edu/leadership/designing_church_sites.html) (Designing church websites)
- <http://www.centralpc.org/admin/webminfaq.htm> (Web ministry FAQ)
- <http://www.elca.org/webministry/> (Congregation website development guide)
- <http://www.religiousresources.org/homepage/index.php> (Website Development for Religious Organizations)
- <http://www.forministry.com/> (Free congregation websites)
- <http://www.webmedley.com/> (Commercial church website builder)

<http://www.google.com> – If someone else has ever asked the same question or had the same problem, there's a good chance google can find it. I always start here.