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Pastor Hans is determined to save his church through unconventional methods to expand its congregation.

### Information

Original title: Himmel, Herrgott, Sakrament

Genre: Feel Good

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Country of origin: Germany





# Why it Works...



...and **2.6 million viewers** on ORF.



#### **Book-based**

Based on Rainer Schießler's book, offering insights into a pastor's fight against declining church membership.



The series bleinding...

...drama, humour, social issues, faith, friendship and social justice.



#### **Charismatic Actor**

Actor Stephan Zinner as Pastor Hans Reiser using unconventional methods to build a vibrant community.

### **New Perspective**

"He swims against the tide, although he is actually an oldstyle priest. In doing so, he often finds himself in funny situations."

Franz Xaver Bogner (Director)



# Comparables







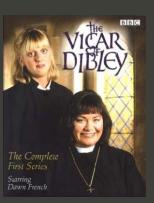
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## Series Synopsis

After a fulfilling stint as a rural pastor, Hans Reiser is transferred to a struggling parish in Munich.

Determined to turn things around, he takes an unorthodox approach: beer at church festivals, animals in services, and support for young climate activists.

His bold style draws in newcomers like single mother Lisa Kirchberger – but also provokes concern from Cardinal Brunnenmayr. Still, it will take more than church politics to stop this spirited pastor.



### Hans Reiser

#### Pastor.

Compassionate and determined to help everyone.

Hans is a warm-hearted, energetic pastor with a passion for helping others – and a knack for thinking outside the box.

Transferred from his beloved Rosenheim to a dwindling parish in Munich, he's determined to revive the community and make the church inclusive and relevant. But balancing compassion, ideals, and church rules isn't always easy.



### Lisa Kirchberger

### A romance for Hans.

Resilient single mother, supporting Hans's unconventionality.

Lisa Kirchberger is a single mother and daughter of a prominent city councillor.

Despite her mother's disapproval, she's drawn to Pastor Hans' unconventional ways and becomes one of his key allies. While juggling a rebellious teenage daughter, Lisa finds purpose in supporting Hans. Their friendship slowly deepens, even as his pastoral calling complicates matters.





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