

THE HEART OF ANGLICANISM #3

HOW DO ANGLICANS WORSHIP?

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ANGLICANISM IS... SACRAMENTAL IN PERSPECTIVE

- Preserves mystery in our faith tradition
- Sacramental Perspective – all of life is sacred
- Sacraments – “real presence” (wide range); outward and visible signs of inward and spiritual grace
 - Avoids extreme rationalism and mere symbolism
- Values contemplative spirituality (intuitive vs. cognitive) and Charismatic expression

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THREE STREAMS OF ANGLICANISM

STREAM	CONTRIBUTION	WEAKNESS	NEEDS
Historical-Liturgical	Continuity Formation Rich Worship	Dead orthodoxy Disengaged Superiority	Evangelical's Personalization Charismatic's Life in Spirit
Evangelical	Focus on Word Personal Conversion	Disregards History Individualistic Superiority	Historical-Liturgical Continuity Charismatic's Life in Spirit
Charismatic	Life in the Spirit Lively Worship	Individualistic Disorderly Superiority	Historical-Liturgical Discipline Evangelical Focus on Word

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ANGLICANISM IS... LITURGICAL IN WORSHIP

- Common forms of liturgical prayer & worship
- NT → Didache → Justin Martyr → Irenaeus
- Hippolytus, *Apostolic Tradition* (preserving order)
- *Lex Orandi, Lex Credendi, Lex Vivendi*
- Roman Missal (etc.) → Book of Common Prayer
- Cranmer, *Book of Common Prayer* (versions)

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- 1549, 1552/1559, 1604, 1662, ... 1928, 1979, 2019

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BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER (2019)

“The Book of Common Prayer (2019) is a form of prayers and praises that is thoroughly Biblical, catholic in the manner of the early centuries, highly participatory in delivery, peculiarly Anglican and English in its roots, culturally adaptive and missional in a most remarkable way, utterly accessible to the people, and whose repetitions are intended to form the faithful catechetically and to give them doxological voice.”

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~ *Preface, The Book of Common Prayer 2019*

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DR. J. I. PACKER ON “THE GOSPEL IN THE PRAYER BOOK”

[HTTP://NORTHAMANGLICAN.COM/THE-GOSPEL-IN-THE-PRAYER-BOOK/?FBCLID=IWAR2APNR2YZE8X7FO6WIB8NDGFIVE_S_H4VAVHZ_YTRWZBURPQYTH5FQTNF4](http://northamanglican.com/the-gospel-in-the-prayer-book/?fbclid=IWAR2APNR2YZE8X7FO6WIB8NDGFIVE_S_H4VAVHZ_YTRWZBURPQYTH5FQTNF4)

- *“The deadness and formality experienced in the worship of the Church arise far more from the low state of our graces than from any defect in our Liturgy.”*
- **Gospel: Sin/Wrath, Grace/Atonement, Faith/Forgiveness**
 1. Acknowledgement & Confession of Sin; Worthy of Wrath
 2. Announcement of Grace—God’s promise to pardon & forgive
 3. Exercise of Faith—believing, trusting, thanking & praising
- Rev. Carl B. Smith II, Ph.D. **Who will find such services dull? Only the unconverted!**

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REVIEW OF BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER (2019)

- Review of “Table of Contents”
- **Collects of the Christian Year** (598)
- **Principal Feasts** (688): Christmas, Epiphany, Easter, Ascension, Pentecost, Trinity, All Saints’
- **Calendar** (691) – Red Letter; Optional Anglican; Ecumenical
- **Sunday, Holy Day, & Commemoration Lectionary** (716)
 - Years A, B, C (determined: divisible by 3. 2019 = Year __)
- **Daily Office Lectionary** (734; 1 or 2-Year Cycle)
 - OT – yearly; NT – mostly twice/year; Psalms – 30 or 60 days

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ONLINE BCP RESOURCES

- **2019 BCP:** <http://bcp2019.anglicanchurch.net/> and <http://bcp2019.anglicanchurch.net/index.php/downloads/>
- **Legereme (ACNA):** <http://legereme.com/mp/BCP/ESV>
- **Mission St. Clare (TEC):** <https://www.missionstclare.com/english/index.html>

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