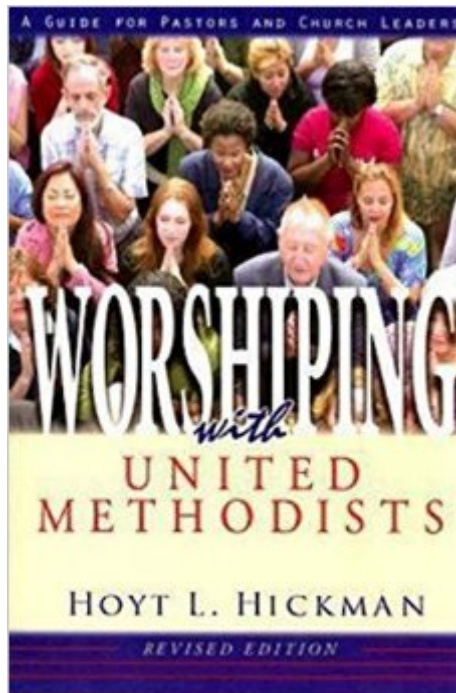


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Worshiping With United Methodists Revised Edition: A Guide For Pastors And Church Leaders



Synopsis

Revised and updated, this popular book shows pastors and worship leaders the basics of United Methodist worship. In this straightforward and updated commentary, Hoyt Hickman explains the basic pattern of United Methodist worship within the broader context of Christian worship. Drawing upon five basic principles, the author explains the formative nature of worship and how it can revitalize persons' lives. These principles are: God's Word is primary; active congregational participation is crucial; spontaneity and order are both important; worship should be relevant and inclusive; and worship is communion. This revision will highlight the African-American contribution to UM worship, discuss at greater length what the various worship styles mean for us today, say more about the formative nature of worship, and include updated resources including the Abingdon Worship Annual, the Abingdon Preaching Annual, and WorshipConnection. Explains basic resources for planning and leading worship. Gives the basic pattern of UM worship and its origins. Gives practical suggestions how to renew and revitalize worship. Helps pastors be effective leaders in planning and revitalizing worship. Helps pastors understand and communicate the uniqueness of UM worship. Helps pastors lead their congregation into a deeper and richer experience of God through worship.

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Hickman has done an outstanding job of presenting the concept of Christian worship, the patterns of worship, the heritage of the Methodist Church and the phases of worship. Written for the minister

and the lay person, I find that it is easily understood by the lay person and can be used as a study book for groups of lay people. The work is well founded scholastically honest and deep, but written so that the lay person can understand and enjoy the concepts of Christian worship in congregations. A must read for interested lay persons. J. Robert Ewbank, author of "John Wesley, Natural Man, and the 'Isms'"

This book was required reading for a lay leadership class. However, unlike the first book I was required to read, this book was informative, inspirational, and not at all a burden to read. I was not raised Methodist so there were many things I did not know about the Wesleys and Methodism. I hope to lead worship in the future, and this book gave me ideas and some confidence. It also taught me about the Book of Worship which I was really not aware of before. Being an organist and singer, I was particularly interested in the history of music in the church. This book is very "readable", and I looked forward to learning more. It will continue to be a wonderful resource.

Have now used this book twice to lead a 10 hour class on worship. Really helped the class participants understand the origins of our worship format and paired well with the United Methodist Book of Worship.

This book was required for a class I just completed. I would not have chosen it if it wasn't. But I'm happy I read it. Professor Hickman did a masterful job of condensing a ton of information into such a short book! Very well done.

The book met my expectations. I took a course for my Lay Speakers which used that book as a basis for discussion. Thank you for sending it so promptly. Cindy

I purchased this as a gift for a friend who is taking courses to become a certified Lay-Speaker in the United Methodist Church. She was very pleased with it.

This book was enlightening and have good ideas for ministry. With the ideas you would have to inch them into your church.

Just what I needed for my upcoming Layspeaker class. Very informative!

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