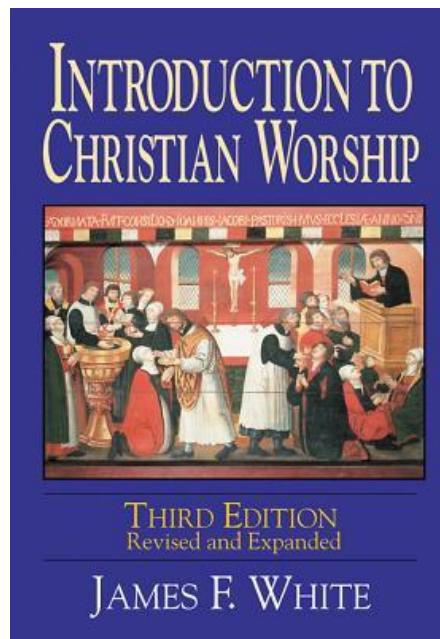




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Introduction to Christian Worship, Third Edition traces the development of the major forms of Christian worship, and includes discussion of the newest service books of the principal churches of North America and the British Isles. This staple of liturgical history is used widely in Protestant seminaries and is read by clergy and laity alike as an accurate, informative, and accessible introduction to all aspects of Christian worship. This revision keeps pace with the latest scholarship and includes more maps, tables, woodcuts, and photographs.

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Darcy Knight says

One of the things I loved about this book is that it gives such a great overview of worship practices over the centuries and throughout most of the known world among Christians. Books like this are a sure cure for those who think that how they do it in their own church is the only proper way. This is also a great resource for ideas useable in worship settings. A book that I intend to keep!

Joshua says

This book is a VERY thorough exploration of many aspects of worship. It gives the history of practices, as well as a contemporary exploration of the meaning and purpose of those practices. It is a bit dry at times, but if you need intense research on worship, this is the book to use.

David Withun says

James F. White draws upon the full range of liturgical and ritual practices of Christians for this combined academic introduction and pastoral and theological reflection upon Christian worship. Unlike many books on this topic, White does not dwell on or pay special attention only to his own tradition (in this case the Protestant tradition, and Methodism specifically) but instead draws on as wide of a swathe of Christian liturgical practice as possible. The result is a very full and quite insightful treatment of the worship practices of the entirety of Christendom.

In each chapter, White examines a different Christian worship practice or some related element. His chapters treat such topics as church architecture, church music, the regular Sunday service in both of its part (the Service of the Word and the Eucharistic Rite), the daily prayers of Christians, and each of the major sacraments of the Church. In his treatment of each, White provides an introductory history that draws on the history of both the Eastern and Western branches of the Church and which draws on both of the major branches of Western Christianity, Roman Catholicism and Protestantism. He then proceeds to describe current practice and concludes by offering some theological and pastoral insights, drawing on both earlier writers and authorities as well as his own experience as a Methodist minister.

For an objective and fair treatment of the history and practice of Christians at worship, this is certainly the place to begin. Even where I disagree with his assessments in his reflections at the end of each chapter, I find great value in his well-reasoned arguments and the sharing of his personal experience and wisdom. I recommend this book for anyone interested in Christian worship, whether in its history, its theology, or its practice.

Karla Goforth Abreu says

Christian worship is traced back to early roots---high church is somewhat contrasted with low church---

(liturgical/non-liturgical). It gives the reader appreciation for many of the symbolic rituals used in high church.

Jeff Ragan says

I was really impressed by White's Introduction to Christian Worship, and enjoyed it thoroughly. His is a great overview of the key elements of Christian worship as they were formed and developed over the centuries and around the world. I gained a greater appreciation of our faith in general, and the huge variety of ways it is expressed in different periods of history and different families of church tradition.

Patti Clement says

One of my textbooks for my Worship, Liturgy and Sacraments course. I really enjoyed reading about the historical development and current practices in Christian Worship written by the leading Protestant liturgical historian.

Matt says

We really wouldn't have anything to do on Sunday mornings if it weren't for the Jews. This is a very good text book. It's clear and concise. The facts are easily distinguishable from the author's opinions. The author's opinions are quite informed, interesting, and helpful.

Janet says

Very good...comprehensive explanation of Christian worship.

John Stephenson ii says

White did a very good job of giving as broad an overview as one could pertaining to Christian worship. He acknowledges that it is impossible to accurately define what it is that we call Christian worship.

Rick says

This is high-brow text on worship in high liturgical settings. This book explores the forms followed and the function perceived of more scripted forms of worship and pays no attention to spontaneity in worship.
