

(Mobile library) The Anglican Family Prayer Book

## The Anglican Family Prayer Book

Von Anne E. Kitch

audiobook / \*ebooks / Download PDF / ePub / DOC



Produktinformation Veröffentlicht am: 2003-10-01 Erscheinungsdatum: 2003-10-01 File Name: B005582N84 | File size: 46.Mb

**Von Anne E. Kitch : The Anglican Family Prayer Book** before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Anglican Family Prayer Book:

Kundenrezensionen Hilfreichste Kundenrezensionen 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Uncommonly good... Von Fr Kurt Messick Anne Kitch is probably better known to readers as the author of children's books ('Bless this Day', 'Bless this Way', and 'One Little Church Mouse') - this is not a children's book per se, but it does keep in mind both Kitch's love for writing for children, and her special ministry of education that involves children. Children are integral to the family (that goes without saying, perhaps), and prayer should also be integral to the family. This book provides a framework, suggestions, prayer texts and inspiration for incorporating prayer into the family life on a daily basis, around gathering times such as meals, as well as other parts of life. In many ways, no Anglican can escape the liturgical patterns of the Book of Common Prayer or the liturgical daily cycles of ancient monastic systems (nor, indeed, do they generally want to!). This book begins with a wonderful introduction to what

common prayer is - it is not common as in 'uninteresting' or 'ordinary', but common as in the root of the word 'communal' - these are things done in common, in community, and the family provides a perfect context and beginning for true community. There are many common prayers held in common across the broader lines of Christianity - the Lord's Prayer, the Song of Mary (Magnificat), St. Francis' prayer, etc., and these are laid out in the first section with introductions accessible to all. The second section looks at daily prayer - morning, evening, graces, blessings, bedtime prayers, as well as prayers for days of the week. How one goes about prayer, in the family group and when one is alone, is important, and Kitch discusses that at the beginning of this section. The third section has prayer suggestions and texts for people and occasions. Special occasions in the life of the family - anniversaries and birthdays, new homes, baptisms, grieving - as well as prayers for important members of the extended family - distant relatives, friends, visitors, even pets - are included here. There are prayers for healing and reconciliation, and prayers for thanksgiving and celebration. There is more than one way to talk to God, Kitch reminds us, and one can use either the acronym ACTIP (Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, Intercession and Petition) or ACTS (replacing the final two with the word Supplication) as a reminder for the various ways we talk to God in prayer. The final two sections bring the world of the prayers of the Anglican church into relationship with the prayers of the family with an overview and text samples of prayers from the Eucharistic liturgy (with a brief discussion on how to teach children to worship) and prayers for the liturgical year (special prayers for major holidays and seasons). This is a wonderful resource, a small book with big print (all the better for small hands to grasp and readers of all ages to find inviting in word and physical form). I highly recommend it to Anglicans of any age, and even to those beyond the Anglican tradition who want a structure to their prayer life, particularly that of the family.

**Kurzbeschreibung** The best place to teach children about our faith is in the home. The Anglican Family Prayer Book is a resource for Episcopal families who want to pass on Anglican prayers and traditions to their children and teach faith in everyday settings. This important new resource has been compiled by The Rev. Canon Anne Kitch, well known for her children's books, *Bless This Day* and *One Little Church Mouse*. A parent as well as an educator, Anne Kitch introduces these Anglican prayers and practices with stories from her own life, as well as brief information about the history and use of the prayers. The perfect resource for families, especially those who may be new to the Episcopal Church, as well as church school teachers, youth ministers, and clergy, The Anglican Family Prayer Book helps parents and children pray together. Prayers for morning and evening, blessings, nighttime prayers, prayers for ordinary and special occasions, intercessory prayers, prayers of the Eucharist, and prayers for use during the special seasons of the Church year make this book one that families will use every day.