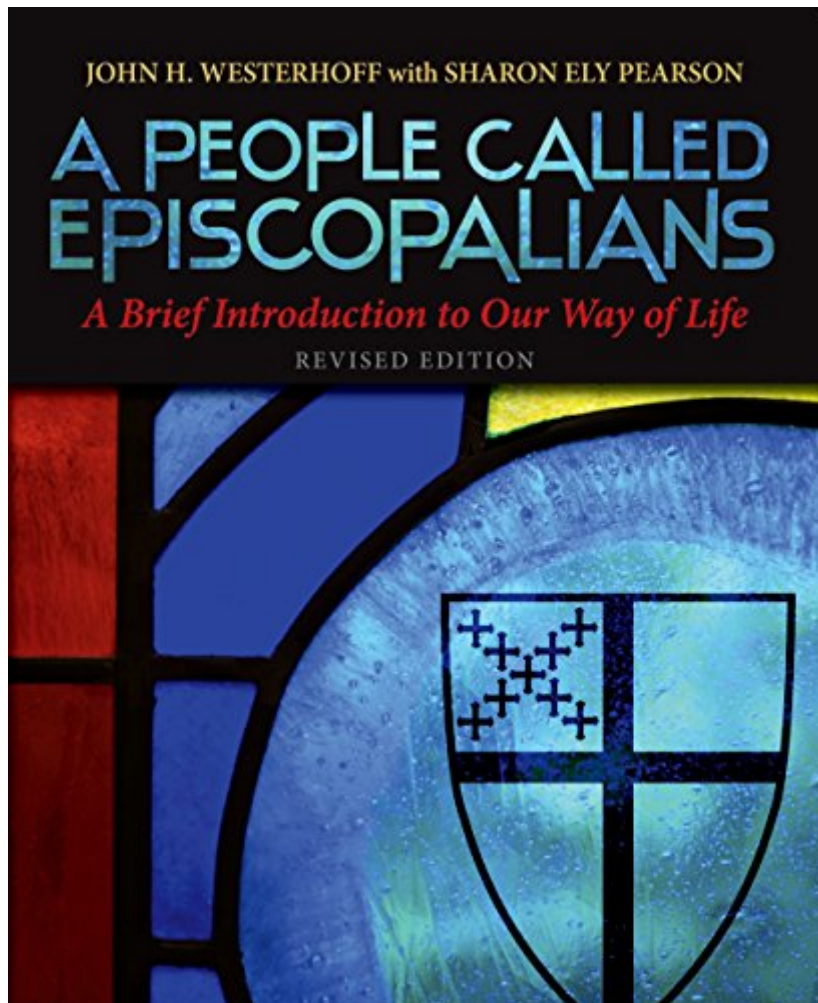


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What are we as Episcopalians? This concise booklet explores five main areas of Episcopal life: identity, authority, spirituality, temperament, and polity. A great introduction to the Episcopal way of thinking in readable prose for any newcomer or seeker in the Episcopal Church who may wonder what makes Episcopalians different than Roman Catholics or other protestants.

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A good and brief introduction to the Episcopalian Church. I was particularly struck by the three tenets of the Episcopalian Church in regards to authority, known as the three-legged stool: Scripture, tradition, and reason. I also like their view on the middle way (via medi) meaning between the Catholic Church and the Protestant Church, a happy medium if you will. Finally, I was drawn to the several ways the Episcopalian Church does church: high church, low church, broad church. High church being very ritualistic, liturgical, and traditional. Low church being very free and contemporary. And, the broad church which incorporates both the high church and low church methods. Overall, I am drawn to the Episcopalian Church, but it does seem heavily nationalistic.

After all, it was formed (along with its Constitutions) at the EXACT same time the American republic was formed. It broke off from the Anglican (Church of England) in response to the American Revolution. Should not our allegiance be to King Jesus rather than President Washington or King Henry? Furthermore, the polity of the church seems very, well... polity. Heavy on church government, dioceses, parishes, bishops, and conventions. This can be a bit daunting to those of us who like room to breathe and the freedom to thrive outside the confines of the institutional church. Overall, the Episcopal Church seems like a good fit for those of us who long for the ancient, but also want a bit of freedom. And, I recommend this short book for those who are searching for the right denominational fit, particularly to the Episcopal Church.

A brief, but informative description of what it means to be Episcopalian. Very readable!

This book is an easy read, well organized and presents a high-level overview of the Episcopal way. It uses plain language and introduces the reader to a lot of the basics, answering some of the lingering questions I've had. I wish there was a follow-up or a part 2:-)

This is a concise and helpful book for new and long time Episcopalians. We are going to include in our new member packet and keep some copies for the rest of us too!

Great and concise info and an awesome format

excellent resource for those considering the Episcopalian faith or wanting to learn more about the basic history and practices. Concise and intelligently written.

Just what I was wanting...a clear, concise description on the Episcopal church...how it came about as well as beliefs, customs and traditions.

Great source of information for those curious about the Episcopalian way of life. Will highly recommend to others I know

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