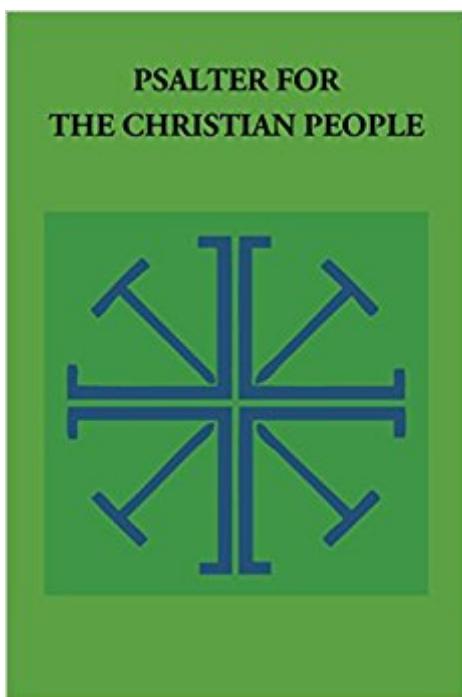


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# Psalter For The Christian People: An Inclusive Language ReVision Of The Psalter Of The Book Of Common Prayer 1979 (Pueblo Books)



## **Synopsis**

The increasing desire among Christians to pray in inclusive language has resulted in the publication of this inclusive language psalter. The editors have selected the 1979 Book of Common Prayer as the basis for their psalter. Techniques for changing all the non-inclusive language to inclusive language were carefully wrought and judiciously applied, in keeping with common sense, biblical scholarship, and the ancient Hebrew liturgical principle that holds in high respect the majesty of God's name. Every effort has been made to render the lines in a flowing, euphonious manner, well phrased for chanting. Since different communions practice variant methods of chanting, this volume includes an essay which offers instruction in four methods of pointing these psalms.

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## **Customer Reviews**

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This makes a wonderful psalter and the inclusive language puts forth a stately figuring of the psalms. Would be nice to include a chart of the best psalms to pray during the liturgical seasons and those suitable for Morning and Evening prayers. The Morning and Evening Canticles added would make this book a more superb prayerbook.

The changes to the NRSV translations of the psalms is very subtle. All gendered references to God and man are adapted to delete the male inference. And it's very hard to detect those changes.

Good inclusive language translation of Psalms.

For those wary of inclusive-language Biblical translations which might be too extreme, this psalter presents a modest but appreciable freshening of patriarchal language. Very close to the Book of Common Prayer (Episcopal Church, 1979) psalter, it is especially useful for worshiping communities in that denomination but could be used in public or private prayer in any church (or synagogue--the book's title is unnecessarily limiting; there are no direct Christological references in the book itself). The concise introduction (2 pages!) explains in ten clear points the criteria for the language selected and includes examples. A bonus is a short essay, also with examples, on singing the psalter. The handsome design by noted liturgical artist, Frank Kacmarcik, Obl.S.B., makes the paperbound volume worthy of use in places of public worship.

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