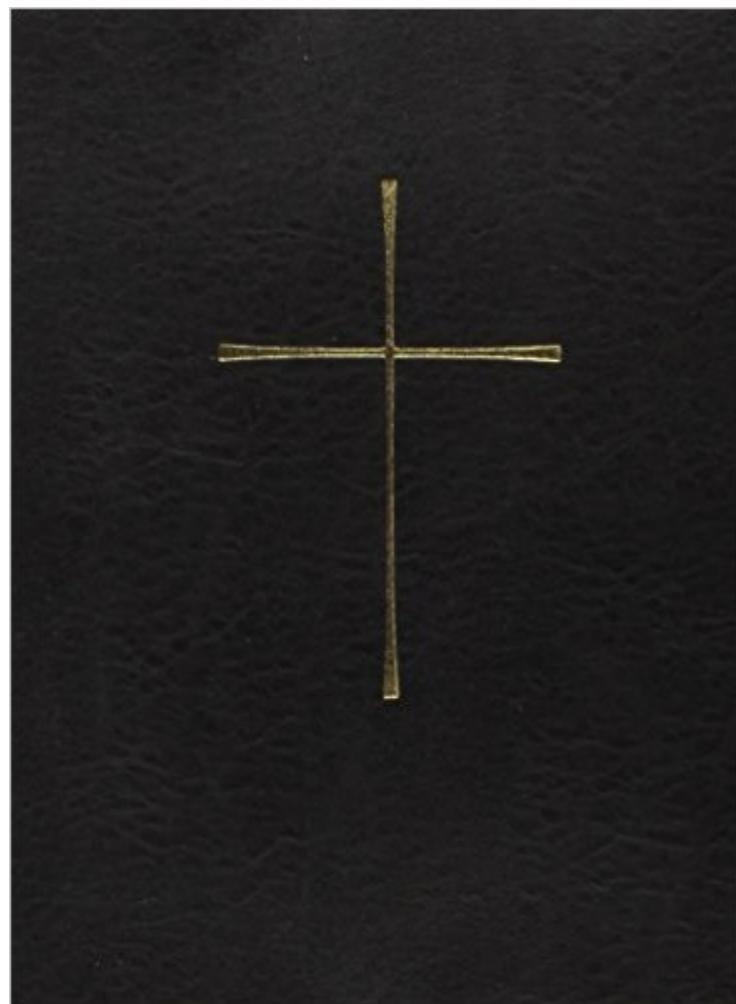


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# The Book Of Common Prayer & The Holy Bible, NRSV, Black



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## **Customer Reviews**

The Book of Common Prayer and NRSV Bible is a useful and smart combination both for corporate worship and personal devotion and study settings. It follows the standard format of the 1979 Book of Common Prayer page-by-page. It includes both the Common and 1979 Lectionaries so whichever one your church follows you can bookmark the lessons and Psalms easily. The New Revised Standard Version of the Bible remains my preferred translation for its practical, responsible handling and translation of the original texts, its straightforward language and its contemporary style. This volume also includes the Apocrypha, also presented in a practical fashion consistent with the translation of the overall Biblical canon. A word of caution for those with less-than-perfect vision: keep your glasses handy. The print is very small, particularly for the Biblical texts (the prayer book section uses a slightly larger typeface). It's a small price to pay for such a nice, compact design but

it is one that might prove problematic for some readers. Consider that before buying.

First of all I found the quality of the cover to be substandard bonded leather-cheap! For a book designed for daily use, this will not withstand any lengthy period of use. The number of ribbon markers is fewer than I would like since this book contains the 1,000 pages of the BCP plus the entire NRSV Bible including the Apocrypha. The type font in the Bible section makes it difficult to read without my extra reading glasses. This slows down the praying of the Daily Office and discourages any additional use of the Bible. I will not buy this one again.

I bought this Book of Common Prayer/Bible combination as a gift, and was pleasantly surprised by the quality when it arrived. It has an attractive black leather cover, and is bound with a good strong sewn binding. This book is well made and with care will last a long time. My friend was thrilled to get it and equally impressed with its beauty and quality. What I purchased was the small, handy sized edition. For someone like me who needs larger type, I would not recommend this one. The Prayer Book has a decent enough size type, surprisingly clear, but the type in the Bible is very small and, for me, it was difficult to read. This is not a flaw with the book, just my eyes! The person I bought it for has no problem at all with the type size and is now using the Prayer Book and Bible on a daily basis.

When I saw that the cover was leather, I was willing to pay the price for the book even though the other reviewers were saying that the bible print was a bit small but now that it's here, the leather is not genuine leather. It's very very thin and perhaps bonded? The cover is not bound to the book except on the front and back flaps and I'm afraid that after years of use, they will start tearing. Other than the cover, I do not have any complaints about the book. The print is smaller in the bible than the prayer book but not to the point that I need to bring the book closer to my eyes to read it. The book will stay open on the edge of the pew in front of me without my holding it which was important to me as I said my prayers. The amount of ribbons are good as are the different colors. The book could have been a bit larger but I'm not unhappy with the size. Makes it easy for travel. This would be a great gift bible as the front pages have thick textured paper to record who gave the bible, when the person was baptized, had communion, confirmed and married.

Though I've only had this for a short time I have found it to be quite a convenient addition to my Sunday's. The multiple page markers enable me to keep track of the weekly prayers and sermons.

Everything is in one single bound book. The size is also very nice because it small and fits into many smaller bags including a purse. Even with its diminutive size the book will still lie flat when open for reading. I would recommend this to anyone seeking an all in one book for spiritual guidance and reference.

My first copy of the Prayer Book/ Bible Combo was about the size of the Hymnal 1982 and thus easier to read. Wish I had not lost it. This volume is smaller, which makes it easier to carry but is murder on my failing eyesight. That being said, it is nice to have the BCP and the Bible in a combination form. The NRSV is not my favorite choice of translations but is the most popular one and is used in most parishes. The new volume contains both the old lectionary and the newer RCL. I WISH THEY HAD INCLUDED MORE RIBBONS! I always need more than they put in, especially since I do both Evening and Morning Prayer (which is why I use the Contemporary Office book, which also does not have enough ribbons)

Finally! A prayer book and bible combined, eliminating the need to carry around two books! I like the prayer book placed in the front and bible placed after it. My only criticism is the overall size which is a bit small which created the need for a smaller font. I would have preferred a larger book, with larger, easier to read font.

This is a wonderful book; how great to have them both together! Now it's possible to experience the richness of The Book of Common Prayer with the complete Bible. This is especially comforting during these times when the American church is in unrest. Thank you.

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