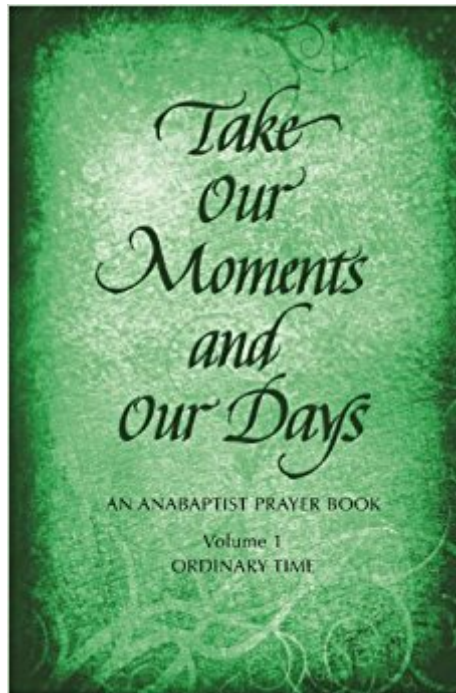




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# Take Our Moments And Our Days Volume 1



## Synopsis

An Anabaptist Prayer Book: Ordinary Time Take Our Moments and Our Days is a four-week cycle of morning and evening prayer services prepared for the period in the church year between Pentecost and Advent. The services focus on the teaching and ministry of Jesus: the Lord's Prayer (week one), the Beatitudes (week two), Jesus' parables (week three), and Jesus' miracles (week four). The prayer services are designed for use by small groups or families, although they are suitable for individuals as well. Scripture-saturated prayer. Virtually all the words in these prayers are adapted or taken directly from the Bible. The voice of Jesus. The words of Jesus are strikingly prominent in these services. Anabaptist coloration. Lying behind the prayers is a pattern of themes that are especially important in the Anabaptist tradition.

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## Customer Reviews

It is a blessing to have a prayer book rooted in our common Christian tradition of morning and evening prayer. It is unabashedly Anabaptist while employing the best elements of Christian prayer from other ancient and contemporary Christian sources. The layout is simple and clear and holds to a consistent pattern. --Father Andrew D. Ciferni, O.Praem., Daylesford Abbey, Paoli, Pa. A superb prayer book! The editors have done an outstanding job choosing texts and hymns and writing prayers and forms to establish substantial patterns of prayer. Their language is that of the universal church, so this publication knits its users to Christians throughout time and space. I pray that this volume will be used widely and well. --Marva J. Dawn, author of *Talking the Walk and Joy in Divine*

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The benefits of this prayer book (and its companion volume) are many: Anabaptist coloration: themes of peacemaking, forgiveness, discipleship, and justice are prominent, as are the words of Christ; helpful organization: each prayer time has three movements (call to praise, discipleship, and intercession), which help structure our prayers and reflection; biblical: everything in this prayer book is rooted in scripture, from the invocation to the benediction; thematic unity: each prayer service develops a unified theme, which helps sharpen focus and meditation. Excellent prayer books for both personal and corporate use.

I had been looking for something to give me more structure for my morning times of prayer. I like that the structure of these morning and evening prayers include scripture reading and a structured time of prayer. Each day takes you through 5-6 topics that give me just enough guidance to keep me on track, yet not so full of material that I feel I can't personalize it. For those who don't like someone telling you what to pray for (though clearly there is freedom when its just you and the Spirit), you may find this monotonous after the first 4-5 days. However, given what I was looking for, this has been a great tool.

This book has been an excellent help in guiding my teens in private worship. When they have worked through a complete liturgy, they have experienced a beautifully guided time of prayer and worship.

I love this book. It allows me me to have a focused worship time everyday. It is more than a daily devotional.

We've just started using this book, but even the introduction conveys spiritual guidance, gently and compellingly. You may want a copy for every (or every other) participant.

Take Our Moments and Our Days is an excellent prayer book for use in a group. The prayers are arranged for morning and evening prayer in a four week cycle focused on the life and ministry of Jesus Christ: Lord's Prayer, Beatitudes, Parables, Signs and Wonders. In addition to psalms and other scripture readings, there is opportunity for silence, song, and free prayers of thanksgiving and intercession in this format. The book has been helpful in sponsoring the life of discipleship in our community.

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