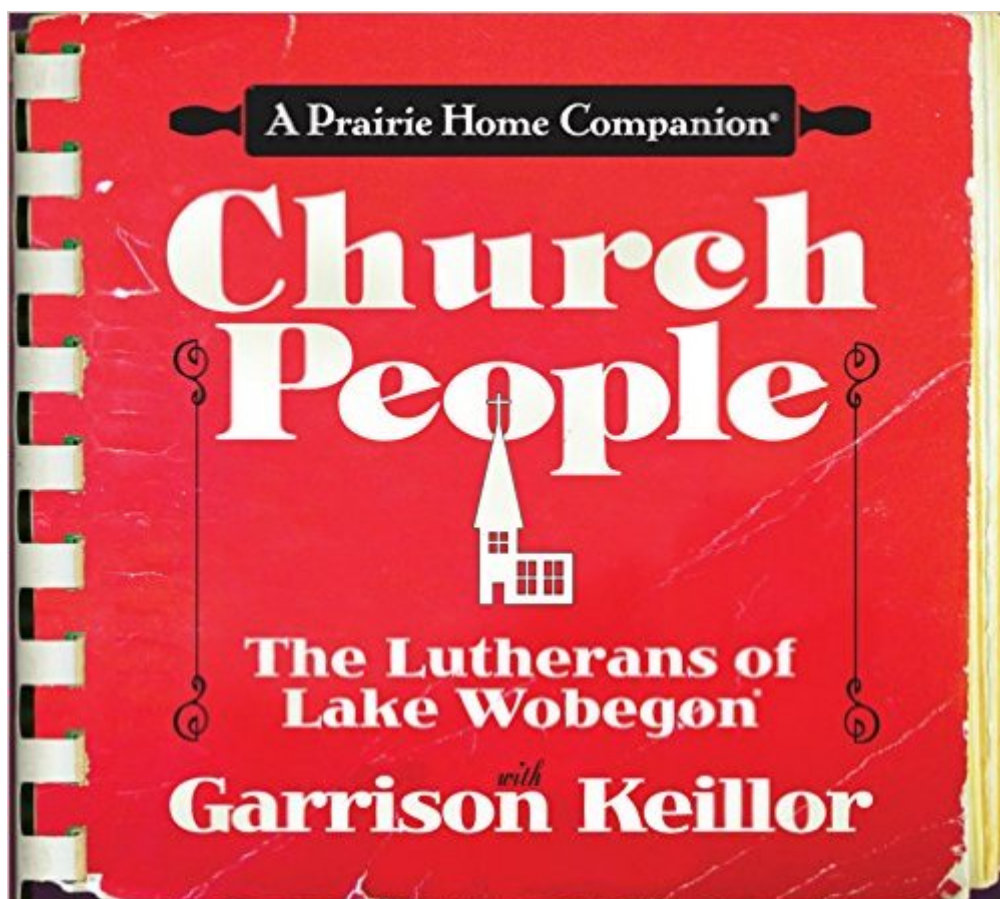


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Church People: The Lutherans Of Lake Wobegon (Prairie Home Companion (Audio))



Synopsis

Skits, songs, stories, and more from A Prairie Home Companion reveal the secret world of a stalwart people. When you fly Lutheran Air, there's no first class, meals are potluck with assignments by rows (rows 1-6, bring rolls; rows, 7-15, salad), all fares are by freewill offering, and the plane doesn't land until the budget is met. Welcome to the Land of Lutherans, where people drive Fords, wear cardigans, go to church at Third Lutheran (which used to be called First Lutheran, but Lutherans are more comfortable with being Third), drink a lot of coffee, serve chow mein noodles on tuna hot dish, work hard, and don't make a fuss. Selected from live broadcasts of A Prairie Home Companion, this collection celebrates the kindest people on God's green earth-except for the mean ones. If you're not a Lutheran, you'll laugh out loud. If you are, you'll smile as hard as you can. Contents: I'm a Lutheran Lutheran Tours: Vacation Guilt Potato Salad Elim Lutheran Anniversary with Philip Brunelle Iniquity on the Tundra with Charles Keating LYLE: Lutheran Youth League for Evangelism St. Patrick's Day The Story of Bob with Vern Sutton Church Directory Guy Noir: New Year's Eve Indiscretion LOL: Lutherans On Line Lutheran Polka Summer Vacation Flood: Floating Away with Your Pastor Evelyn Lundquist Counseling Agency (ELCA): Easter Briefing Church Organist

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Customer Reviews

For his take on "Church People," Garrison Keillor has collected some of the best Lutheran bits from

A Prairie Home Companion. There are songs, several "New from Lake Wobegon" accounts, skits and other bits of humor, all related in some way to the Lutherans Keillor characterizes as dour makers of hot dishes who are filled with cold country guilt. It's great for a long ride across Kansas in November and other times you need to fill up silent time and space. This is one of his best collections in recent years. Good listening even for Methodists and other more optimistic sorts.

Garrison Keillor's "A Prairie Home Companion" has been the source of wonderful music and stories for the past 30-odd years. This collection of material from the show is but the tiniest smidgen of the wonderful things that Keillor and his cast have to offer around the topic of religion. Keillor serves up commercials for Lutheran Airlines (Motto: "An uplifting experience") where dinner is potluck, and for Lutherans On Line, who want a church experience that is more interactive and meaningful (read, "shorter.") We get several segments of the news from Lake Wobegon, dealing with overreaching substitute organists, a baseball beaning that triggers a man's existential crisis, the patriotic wonders of a properly made Fourth of July potato salad and a pastor's angst when the wrong picture gets into the church directory. Guy Noir makes an appearance, helping a young Sunday school teacher who tipsily bared more of herself than her soul. The interview with a woman adrift in her home on the flooded Red River, using crates of Bibles for ballast, was hilarious. The polka band playing old hymns was a hit, as was the piece on summer vacations, the low point of every Midwest Lutheran's warm season. "Church People," recorded before various live audiences, is heartwarming, irreverent, doleful and joyful by turns. Keillor's deep, sonorous voice is a treasure that never gets old. Worth repeated listens.

I heard one track on the radio at Christmas and had to get this CD. It was the one on the mythical church organists. I expect to have a lot of fun playing this for friends and family. I am Baptist, not Lutheran, but I still find this a funny CD. No one is made fun of, he just points out the foibles of human nature.

This book on CD had me giggling from beginning to end. As a lifelong Lutheran, as well as a Lutheran pastor's daughter, a choir director and organist, I could totally relate. I Love Garrison Keillor and his humor!

We recently traveled a long distance for Thanksgiving. Church People provided hours of entertainment. There is a wide variety of selections on this collection, all fun to listen to.

expected more stories of familiar church people such as , Pastor Liz or Pastor Ingfist, and more narratives by Garrison Keillor. Was hoping for more Lake Wobegon type stories. Some funny skits, but left me wanting more..

Church People is a wonderful set of two CD's. I think that it has Garrison Keillor at his best. The first "story" on Disc 1, a song titled, "I'm a Lutheran" is great. You may have to listen to it a few times to catch all of the words. The first story on Disc 2 is "Guy Noir: New Year's Eve Indiscretion". It's a hoot that we call all identify with. The other stories are good listening as well but I think that "Guy Noir:", takes the cake. There are 17 stories in the set.

If you love Garrison Keillor you have to listen to this. If you have ever enjoyed a church supper, groaned at the church organist, or smiled at Prairie Home Companion, this is a must buy. The music and observations are funny and poignant.

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