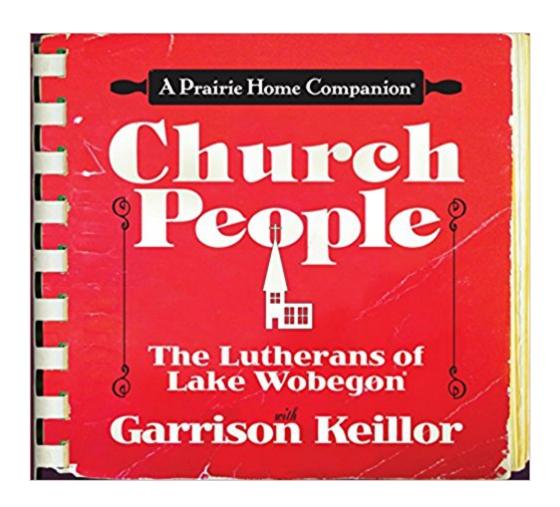


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Church People: The Lutherans Of Lake Wobegon (Prairie Home Companion (Audio))





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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As the host of A Prairie Home Companion for over forty years, Garrison Keillor has captivated

millions of listeners with his News from Lake Wobegon monologues. He has been honored with Grammy, ACE, and George Foster Peabody awards, the National Humanities Medal, and election to the American Academy of Arts and Letters. Coming soon...

Listeners will find Lutheran jokes aplenty in this collection of songs, sketches, and stories, all dealing with religion, from "A Prairie Home Companion." Songs like "I'm a Lutheran" and "Lutheran Polka" are the most offbeat treats. "Church Directory," about a photo project that goes horribly wrong, is the funniest of Garrison Keillor's four "News from Lake Wobegon" monologues included. There's also a Guy Noir sketch, with Keillor's barely hard-boiled detective tracking down a New Year's Eve party video. Anyone who has ever considered what Minnesota Lutherans do for fun and recreation--and that includes most of Keillor's listeners--will enjoy this themed assortment of tidbits from his long-running radio show. J.A.S. à © AudioFile 2009, Portland, Maine

Everything you wanted to know about Lutherans. Well, not quite, but Garrison Keillor's unique storytelling makes the faith -- nearly any faith -- of small-town America $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}$ propos for so many people. The story about pot luck meals served on Lutheran Airlines seems much better than memories of the "mystery meat" served in the days when airlines really did serve meals. And ushers in most congregations will get a good tickle in the story about their frustrations. I heard most of these stories live; I never expected the joy of re-living them. Mr. Keillor's inimitable voice makes listening to these stories -- or, maybe, parables -- all the more enjoyable.

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.

It is very interesting - I love it.

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.

I became a Keillor fan via NPR and have read all of his works since. I will say that his work (and sense of humor) is very parochial, and if you've never been to a church potluck you may miss several of the more subtle references. Good stories though all the same. Happy Trails!

We are taking this with us on a road trip and want laugh with Garrison's yarns. He is such an incredible story teller! And, yes, we are Lutheran!

I heard this album whilst on a road trip with a friend. I knew then I wanted a copy of my own for future listening enjoyment. Finding this album on was very satisfying. Since the description was detailed and accurate there was no hesitation about making the purchase. The delivery was timely and the price I felt was quite reasonable.

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