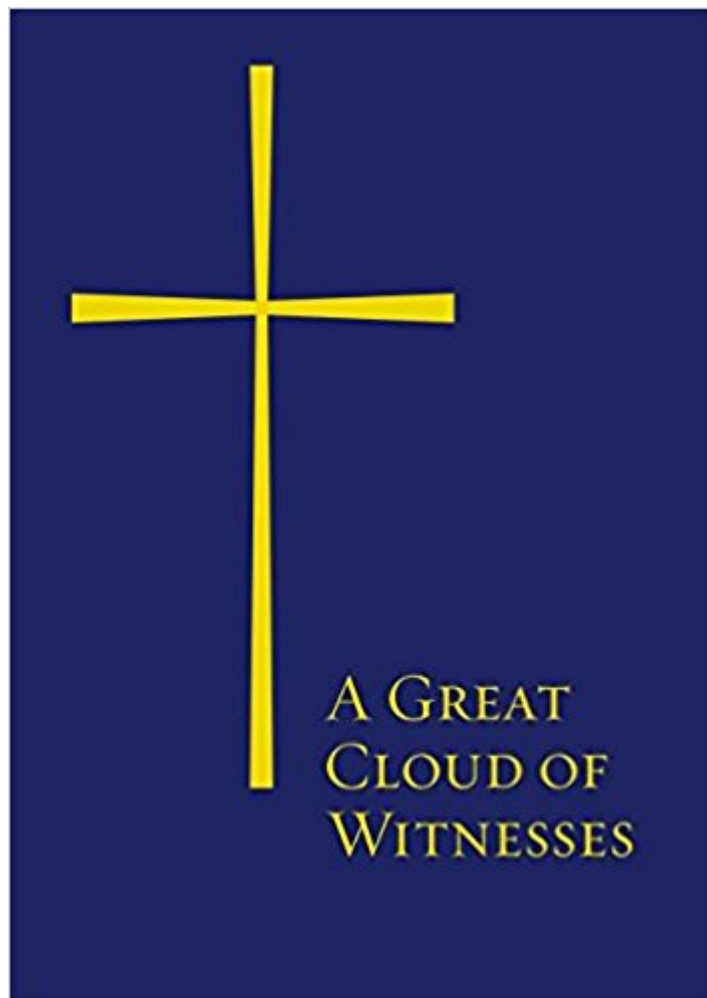


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# A Great Cloud Of Witnesses



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Summary: (new out of box)- content no complaints: looks great and reflects general convention  
Negatives: construction of book - cheapest possible - and a HUGE difference in quality from s picture and old HWHM edition; HWHM was paperback but well made for use in worship. The new one is flimsy in construction, cheapest paper stock, a binding that bends like a slinky (NOTE: this makes a difference if you are holding it for, say, reading the collect during a service!), and is no longer a handsome embossed matte cover that is durable. Instead it is a cheap cover - no frills, will

likely start to fray at the corners straight from the box, and is covered in that horrible plastic some publishers use - the Saran Wrap that always starts to peel off if you use the book more than twice. It is a drastic and disappointing departure in quality, and though certainly not the most expensive book I've bought - even for liturgical works it's not a cheap purchase, especially for a paperback of this quality. For quality this poor it should be closer to the \$9 - 20 range.

Excellent. Very well written. Succinct and no extra space taken to be technical. It can be used as a daily meditation quite well.

The School of Theology in Sewanee, TN is replacing Holy Women, Holy Men with this book per the 2015 General Convention. Great Cloud of Witnesses is for devotional or catechetical use and for use in public worship throughout the Episcopal Church.

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