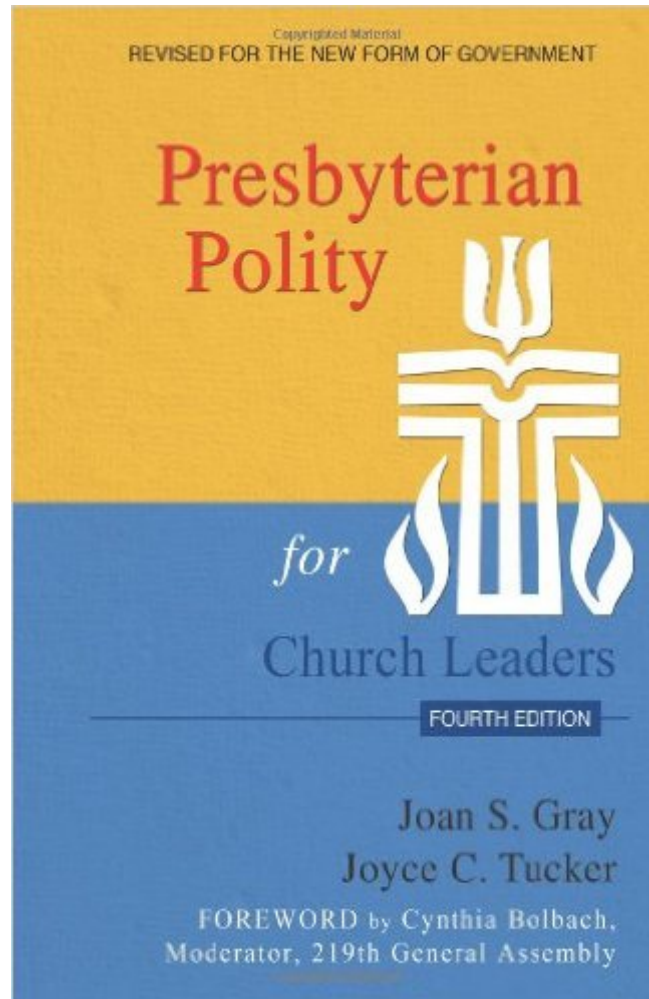


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# Presbyterian Polity For Church Leaders, Fourth Edition



## Synopsis

This detailed, comprehensive interpretation of the Presbyterian Book of Order is the most complete resource of its kind. Joan S. Gray and Joyce C. Tucker have revised this best-selling book to include the new standards from the new Form of Government in the Book of Order. It explains the system of Presbyterian government, from sessions to presbyteries to synods to the General Assembly itself.

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I was relieved that they came out with a new edition so soon after the new FOG went live, so to speak. As one who was prepping for the Ordination Exams, I needed something other than the Book of Order to help explore the "white space" of the new FOG. This book is definitely it. This combined with the Book of Order was all I used to prep for the Polity exam and I had no problem passing back in August. I highly recommend this book for anyone interested in learning more about PC (U.S.A.) Polity, but would say it's a must read for Church Leaders (Ruling & Teaching Elders).

In depth and thoural study of the Polity of Presbyterian USA. If you want to understand the beliefs and structure of the church. Even if this isn't the denomination you worship, it captures the heart of true worship of God

Pretty good book. Its not as dry as many other Presbyterian books, and they explain things well with

down-to-earth terms. Let's face it, either you are a Presby-geek and you are used to dry books or you are using this for a class, so if you are in the latter, like me, you will appreciate the clear explanations that the author gives. Still, there is only so much dressing up one can do to polity - it is what it is. What's that "lipstick on a pig" quote? Yeah, well, this is polity, there is a limit to the interestingness of it all. The cover is blue and yellow - so it's got that going for it. Now go out there and get your Church Leader on and be the only guy/gal who understands how Presbyterian polity works. Or at least pass your class.

This book is a helpful guide to the polity section of the revised New Form of Government in the Presbyterian Church USA in accordance to the changes made in the 219th General Assembly. Gray and Tucker provide a detailed summary of the church polity as broken down in the Revised Book of Order. They describe and articulate church polity in a way that is easy to understand and is structured, making it a necessary compliment to the Book of Order.

The third edition of this book was a great help in and post seminary. A great guide for understanding church polity. Now updated to include references to the new Form of Government. Also, the additions by Cynthia Bolbach provide a good background behind some of the updates in the Form of Government.

It helps simplify what the Book of Order is about and what it teaches! It was, and will continue to be, very helpful to me in preparing to serve as an elder.

New jargon included in this edition to be consistent with current form of government. There is also a new section on sexuality.

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