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*The Club played an important part in the debate in the Church of England in the early part of the last century about the proposed revision to the Book of Common Prayer and in other developments. More recently, its aims have been broadened to include study of the liturgy and worship of the Christian churches in general, but with special reference to the liturgical life of the Anglican Communion.*

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- *Companion to Common Worship volumes 1 & 2* edited by Paul Bradshaw.
- *Documents of the Baptismal Liturgy* by E.C. Whitaker [third edition by Maxwell Johnson]
- *Eucharistic Origins* edited by Paul Bradshaw
- *House of God: House of the People of God* by Robin Gibbons
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- 1 *Memorial Services*, by Donald Gray
- 2 *Art & Worship*, by Anne Dawtry & Christopher Irvine
- 3 *Celebrating the Eucharist* by Simon Jones & Ben Gordon-Taylor
- 4 *The Use of symbols in Christian Worship* edited by Christopher Irvine
- 5 *Celebrating Christ's Appearing* by Ben Gordon-Taylor & Simon Jones
- 6 *Celebrating Christ's Victory* by Ben Gordon-Taylor & Simon Jones

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