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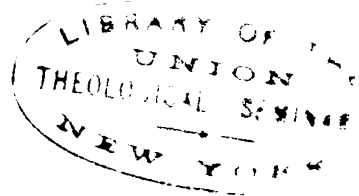
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They that in private by themselves alone
Do pray, may take
What liberty they please
In choosing of the ways
Wherein to make
Their souls' most intimate affections known
To Him that sees in secret, when
They are most concealed from other men.

But he that unto others leads the way
In public prayer,
Should choose to do it so
As all that hear may know
They need not fear
To tune their hearts unto his tongue, and say
Amen ; nor doubt they were betray'd
To blaspheme when they should have pray'd.

—GEORGE HERBERT.

PREFACE.

THE name on the title page of this volume, is given, not because the prayers are suggestive of the polity or doctrine of the Presbyterian Church, but because, with few exceptions, they were written by Ministers of the Church of Scotland.

The language of some of them may be called Ecclesiastical, because the Church in all ages has used such language in public prayers; others Scriptural, because so largely drawn from the Psalms, and other devotional parts of the Bible; others Modern, because they express in the ordinary language of our time, the very close relations to God, of the worshipper in his daily life.

They have been gathered, arranged, and adapted to the order of services in the Presbyterian and Congregational Churches in America, as another contribution to the dignity and comfort and spirituality of public worship.

It is believed that some Ministers dread the preparation and utterance of prayers more than the compo-

sition of sermons: for while sermons may be written and read, prayers must be unwritten, or else, when written, committed to memory and recited—a most unnecessary drudgery. This dread continues until the Sunday services are over. When the young and inexperienced Pastor, not yet used to the composition of prayers, sometimes hesitates, stumbles, and wanders irrelevantly, to the great discomfort of those whose devotions he is supposed to be giving expression to, it may be well to provide some forms of prayer that may be used, at least, in part, at his convenience.

While all “common prayers” must of necessity be expressed in general terms, there are places in each of these services where special or particular prayers or thanksgivings may be introduced at the discretion of the Minister.

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First Sunday—Morning.

The Doxology.

The MINISTER :

Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven; whose sin is covered.

Blessed is the man unto whom the Lord imputeth not in iniquity.

And in whose spirit there is no guile.

I acknowledged my sin unto thee, and mine iniquity have I not hid.

I said I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord, And thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.

PSALM xxxii.

Prayer :

O God, our Creator and Preserver, by whose care we live, by whose wisdom we are enlightened, by whose mercy we are redeemed from the power and dominion of sin, we bow before thee, we adore thee, we worship thee. We adore thee as the Infinite One, the first and the last, who art, who wast, and who art to come, the Father Almighty. Help us to call in our wandering thoughts; to banish every unworthy feeling, while in humble faith we draw near to thee.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil, for thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

The Creed :

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only son our Lord, who was conceived of the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell, the third day he rose again from the dead, he ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the dead, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*The Psalter.**Hymn.**Scripture Lesson.*

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn or Anthem.

Prayer :

Almighty God, whom no man hath seen or can see, but who art nigh unto all that call upon thee, grant us thy grace to withdraw our thoughts from that which is seen and temporal, that we may enter into fellowship with thee through Jesus Christ. We bless and praise thee, Lord and King of all, for the work and duty in which our common life is passed, for the toil which throughout the week makes rest sweet, and the rest which renews our strength for toil. We bless and praise thee for the rest and quiet of this day, and for the blessings and opportunities which it brings to us as spiritual beings. We thank thee **that** thou openest thine hand and satisfiest the desire of every living thing. We bless thee that thou who hast given us life without end, dost give us the means of grace to strengthen and purify it.

Lord God, holy and just and good, be merciful to us and pardon us who have sinned against thy holiness and justice and goodness. Against thee, thee only have we sinned. Light hath come into the world; and we being evil have loved darkness rather than light. We have known what is good, and what

the Lord doth require of us, and in regard to our sin both of neglecting do to thy will and of transgressing thy Holy commandment, we are without excuse. Thou hast given us faculties to be used and time to be spent for thy glory and the good of our fellowmen. Thou hast thus purposed to make us heirs of eternal life, but we have often used thy gifts vainly and misused them sinfully, and have brought ourselves near to the gates of death. Thy glory, King Eternal, and thy blessedness is to do good, to bless and save. In all the darkness and misery of the world, in the sorrows of the poor and needy, in the desolation and distress of the friendless and forsaken and outcast, thou givest us from day to day the opportunity to share thy blessedness and thy glory. But in our blindness we have preferred the vain and fleeting pleasures of sense and selfishness, saying to ourselves, "What shall we eat and what shall we drink, and wherewithal shall we be clothed?" Our knowledge is ignorance, for it has served to hide thee from our view. Our religion is selfishness, for we have sought in it chiefly our own well-being here and hereafter. Our life is vanity and our work folly, for we have not lived for thee nor wrought our work in thee. Forgive us, O Lord, all this our sin and blindness. Forgive us, that thy works declare thy glory, and we have not rejoiced in beholding it. Forgive us, that in Jesus Christ thy grace has been revealed to us and we have not welcomed it nor desired it.

God of all grace, who didst in the fulness of time

send forth Jesus Christ, born of a woman, made under the law, that He might fulfil all righteousness in a life of poverty, humiliation, and suffering, inspire us by thy grace, quicken us by thy spirit to love righteousness as our only life, so that He may not have lived in vain nor died in vain for us, but that He may live in us and we in Him to the glory of thy holy name.

Blessed God, who didst cause the light to shine out of darkness at the first, and hast turned again the shadow of death into the morning, we praise and bless thee for all that the light reveals to us, for the beauty and glory of thy works in the heavens above and the earth beneath, for the works which thou hast given man strength and skill to plan and to perform, for the place in which we enjoy the comforts and pleasures of home and friendship. We bless thee that day by day thy goodness is manifested to us in all the arrangements of Nature and all the events of Providence, and that, as for the good most truly and perfectly, so for all thy creatures assuredly and at last, all things work together for good and all things are ordered to bless. We thank thee for the innumerable precious gifts with which thou hast enriched our lot. The Lord hath been mindful of us and He will bless us.

O thou who art the soul of our souls, and the life of our lives, in whom we live and move and have our being, we bless thee for thy goodness and patience in prolonging our life and giving us food and clothing; and we thank thee that along with those things

which are required for the sustenance of our life, thy hand is opened to give much that contributes to our happiness. We thank thee for our friends and acquaintances, for all who rejoice in our joy and grieve in our grief; and as for these, so also we thank thee for all whom we love and for all who commend themselves to our hearts as objects of regard or pity.

We bless thee, O Lord, for Jesus Christ; for His life and death, for His work and sacrifice, for the contradiction of sinners which He endured to establish thy kingdom upon earth, for the blessings which are heaped upon His name through all generations. May we who know His name and call Him Lord, obey His voice and follow His example; may we be ready to forgive, to pity, to bless those that curse us, and to return good for evil.

Almighty God, whose days are without end, whose mercies cannot be numbered, grant that our few days upon the earth may not be evil, but that they may be spent in praising thee and glorifying thy name. Let the people praise thee, Lord; let all the people praise thee. Known unto thee are our temptations, our infirmities, and besetting sins. Help us to overcome them in thy strength by a patient continuance in well-doing. What feeble desires we have after the life divine of truth and goodness, thy mercy has bestowed. Be pleased to strengthen and quicken them by thy grace, that we may run and not be weary in the way of righteousness and peace. May it please thee, O Lord our God, to accept our worship and to pardon

our unworthiness. Not as we ought but as we are able, we bless thee; we adore thy majesty. As those that wait for the morning, we wait for thee and thy salvation. Deny us not thy grace, but when we seek to draw near to thee, draw near to us, and cleanse us by thy purity, and enlighten us with thy light, and save us with thy salvation.

O thou, who dost graciously accept the intercessions of thy children on earth, inspire the ministers of thy gospel with love of the truth as the power of God unto salvation, and grant that all the members of the Church universal may be joined together in the bond of a living faith. May we know the blessedness of communion with each other in a reasonable and sincere worship, and in mutual acts of charity and sympathy and kindness. O thou, who orderest our steps, yet not so that we are never in difficulty or in danger, grant us that light of thy spirit which is a light unto our feet and a lamp unto our path, so that we may persevere in the ways of godliness, and that henceforth we may enjoy a fuller communion than we have yet enjoyed with thee and with thy Son Jesus Christ.

Almighty God, who rulest among all nations, we pray for thy blessing on our Rulers. Let thy wisdom be their guide, thine arm their strength; let justice, truth, holiness; let peace, love, and light flourish; direct all the counsels and endeavors of our Rulers to thy glory and the welfare of the people, so that we all, ever trusting in thy goodness, protected by thy power, and crowned with thy mercy, may live in

peace, gladness, and honor, and after long and useful and happy lives upon earth, may enter into life everlasting, revealed by Jesus Christ our Lord.

We give thee thanks, Lord God most holy, and praise thy glorious name for all the graces and virtues thou hast wrought in thy servants who have departed this life in thy faith and fear, and have entered into their rest. We thankfully remember in thy presence, who art the beginning and the end of all lives, their worth and good example, and we rejoice in the thought that they have not ceased to be, but have yet experience of thy mercy and grace, where thou art more clearly revealed than here, to souls that love thee and long for thy salvation. May we so remember them that we may emulate their goodness, and finally have fellowship with them and with thee in the kingdom that cannot be moved.

Father of mercies, hope and desire of all whom thou hast made, even of those that know not thy name, we remember before thee the helpless and out-cast, the sick and the sorrowful, the tempted and the dying, beseeching thee to hear us when we make mention of thy loving kindness and hope for it for them all.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Almighty God, our portion and our hope, who turnest not away the soul that seeks thee, we beseech thee to incline thine ear unto us, who now make our prayers and supplications unto thee, and

grant that those things which we have asked faithfully, according to thy will, we may obtain effectually to the relief of our necessities, the setting forth of thy glory and the advancement of thy kingdom in our hearts and in all the world. All these things we ask for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

Hymn.

Sermon.

Prayer :

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

And now, O father, we most humbly beseech thee, for the sake of Jesus Christ, to pardon all our sins, which in thought, word or deed, we have committed against thee; and to give us grace whereby we may be enabled to abstain from all evil, and to do only that which is pleasing in thy sight. Impress upon us the doctrine of thy holy word. Cause it to dwell in us richly, in all wisdom, that we may be no longer children in understanding, but may grow to the stature of perfect men in Christ Jesus, and be prepared for every good word and work. And to thy name be the praise, and the glory forever. Amen.

Hymn.

Benediction or Ascription.

First Sunday—Afternoon or Evening.

The Doxology.

The MINISTER :

Behold, bless ye the Lord, all ye servants of the Lord,
Which by night stand in the house of the Lord.
Lift up your hands in the sanctuary,
And bless the Lord.
The Lord that made heaven and earth,
Bless thee out of Zion.—PSALM CXXXIV.

Prayer :

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who knowest what things we have need of before we ask, and art able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, direct and aid us, we beseech thee, in our supplications; that, though of ourselves we know not how to pray, and are not worthy that thou shouldst grant our requests, we may ask and obtain whatsoever is expedient for us, according to thy glorious riches in Christ Jesus.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Our Father, who art in heaven, etc.

The Creed.

The Psalter.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn or Anthem.

Prayer :

Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty, the whole earth is full of thy glory. Let the people praise thee, O Lord, let all the people praise thee.

O thou, who in thy perfect holiness, as in thy boundless mercy, art ever nigh unto us, and who dost by thy presence in the world, and in our hearts convince us of sin, while thou dost claim us as thy children, grant that we may come to thee as unto a father with love and confidence, with lowliness of heart and mind, offering unto thee the sacrifice of a broken and contrite heart. A broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise.

O merciful Father, free us from vanity and ignorance, from the dominion of selfishness and the curse

of unbelief, that we may know ourselves as thou knowest us, and know thee as thou art revealed to us in Christ Jesus, so that we may truly repent and turn to thee, and find mercy with thee, and obtain life, even life eternal in thy favor and grace. Let the wicked man forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts, and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us, but if we confess our sins, thou art faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. O thou whose faithfulness is in the heavens, and whose mercy reacheth unto the clouds, with whom there is forgiveness, that thou mayest be feared, and plenteous mercy that thou mayest be sought after, we thank thee that this day we are permitted to seek thee within the courts of thy house, and to confess the sin and unworthiness of all our daily common life. Thou art manifesting thy goodness to us from day to day in calling us to labor with the morning light, in giving us rest at night, in appointing to us our share of work and care, and temptation and sorrow; for in all this thou art giving us opportunity to serve thee and glorify thee, but in all this we confess that we are unprofitable servants. The good that we would do, we do not. And not only do we offend thee, who art good, by neglecting to do good, but we deny thy presence and despise thy grace by our lives of vanity, and our doing of evil. Our impatience in trouble, our weakness in temptation,

our selfishness and ingratitude in prosperity, O Lord, forgive. Forgive us, also, for thy great mercies' sake, all that we have thought impurely or uncharitably, all that we have done unjustly or unkindly, all that we have desired or hoped for selfishly or ungodly. Forgive us the sin which clings to us from our earlier years, and the sins which in our weak hearts are nourished and strengthened by our present temptations.

Gracious and merciful God, who has called us to a new life in the revelation of thy mercy in Jesus Christ, forgive us our unchristian selfishness and sloth, our carefulness and anxiety for many things that are pleasing to ourselves only, our negligence in regard to that which is necessary to others; forgive us our doubts and fears and unbeliefs regarding thee, our coldness and indifference in regard to our brethren. Save us from all our guilt and blindness, from our vanity and worldliness, and keep us as those that are alive from the dead, to live unto thee.

Praise waiteth for thee, O God, in Zion; and unto thee shall the vow be performed. Iniquities prevail against us; but as for our transgressions, thou shalt purge them away. We praise thee, Lord and Maker of us all, for life and breath and all things, for those powers and faculties of mind with which thou hast endowed us, and by which thou hast made us heirs of the world that now is, and of the grandeur and mystery of that which is invisible. We thank thee for those affections by which we are united to our kind, and by which we may be drawn to thee, for all we love

and all that love us, for the reward of food and clothing given for our daily toil, and for all the return of sweetness and enjoyment which we receive from any obedience to thy will, and any effort to know thee in thy works; for day and night, for work and rest, for youth and age, for life and all the changes of life, and for the unchanging goodness which underlies them all, and orders them for our good and the good of all men.

King eternal, immortal, invisible, whose kingdom ruleth over all, we bless thee that thy kingdom is love and goodness. O let us give thanks unto the Lord, for he is good, for his mercy endureth forever. Let the people praise thee, Lord, let all the people praise thee. Blessed be the most high God, our Father. Thy thoughts are not our thoughts, nor thy ways our ways; thy mercy is not limited to persons and to races, but comprehendeth all that live and breathe. Blessed be thy name; thy glory is shown and thy kingdom established and advanced, not in destroying and punishing our guilty and feeble, and blinded race, but in saving and blessing them, leading men and nations by a way that they know not, to a land of security and peace. O thou that didst lead Joseph like a flock, thou hast been the guide and Saviour of all men in all generations, their sure defence in trouble, their light in darkness, their life in death. O that men would praise thee for thy goodness and for thy wonderful works to the children of men.

God of all grace, who hast revealed thy mercy to

us and in us, that we might be redeemed from the service of vanity, and abound in love to thee, and toward one another, grant us grace to praise thee, as with our lips, so also with our lives. Teach us to find in the commonest work of our daily lives opportunity to serve thee, and a divine call to be children of the Highest. Help us, after the example of the holy and just One, who fulfilled all righteousness in a life of poverty, humiliation and pain, to be thy children and servants in the midst of earthly toil and temptation, in the duties of home, in all our relations to our kind, in prosperity and adversity, in life and death. Teach us, after his example, to be kind even to the evil and unthankful; to lend, hoping for nothing again; to do good without hope of reward. (Help us, looking to Him, and following Him, to be temperate in abundance, cheerful in trial, patient and resigned in tribulation and in the hour of death.) Thou who art the life, teach us to live; thou who hast loved us and redeemed us, help us by thy grace to live by love, that death may not have dominion over us; but that the life which we now lead in the flesh, being led by faith in Christ, we may share His resurrection, and come, at last, whither He is gone.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

We thank thee for the instructions of thy Word, the rest of thy Sabbath, the ordinances of thy worship, and all our Christian privileges and means of grace; above all, for the promise of thy Holy Spirit to bless

them and make them effectual for our salvation. We praise thy name that we are more highly favored than prophets, and kings, and righteous men of old, who desired to see the things which we see, but saw them not, and to hear the things which we hear, but heard them not; and that thou hast greatly distinguished us above many of our fellow-creatures, who are still sitting in gross darkness, by causing the Dayspring from on high to visit us, and guiding our feet into the way of life and peace.

We pray for the poor, the sick, the dying, and all who are in danger or distress; that it may please thee to comfort and support them, and to give them a happy issue out of all their troubles.

To thy Fatherly care, O God, we commend ourselves, and all who are near and dear to us; beseeching thee to defend us this night from all evil, and to bring us in safety to the light of a new day.

Hear us in these our prayers, and accept us in our praises, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Hymn.

Sermon.

*Prayer :**Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.*

We bless thee and praise thee for what thou hast done for us in giving us reasonable souls, and reveal-

ing to us through Jesus Christ thine own eternal grace and glory. We know in part, and prophecy in part, and see through a glass darkly, but we bless thee that we know that thou art, and that thou art the rewarder of them that diligently seek thee; rich in mercy to all that call upon thee. Blessed be thy name, we are not left alone in this world, but have thee, a light to lighten our darkness, an Almighty arm on which to lean in weakness, a very present help in-trouble. We thank thee for Jesus Christ; for the nearness with which we have been brought to thee in Him, for the new and living way into thy presence which he has opened for us; for that newness of life which comes to us through him, and that eternal life which is by him to as many as believe on his name. Amen.

Hymn.

Benediction or Ascription.

Second Sunday—Morning.

The Doxology.

The MINISTER :

Blessed be the Lord,
Because he hath heard the voice of my supplications.
The Lord is my strength and my shield ;
My heart trusted in him, and I am helped :
Therefore my heart greatly rejoiceth ;
And with my song will I praise him.
Save thy people, and bless thine inheritance :
Feed them also, and lift them up forever.

PSALM xxviii.

Prayer :

O God, our Creator and Preserver, and most bountiful Benefactor, help us to call upon thee with glad and thankful hearts. Thou art great and glorious and good. We bless thee for life and health, for the comforts of home, for the joys of kindred and acquaintance, for all the unnumbered mercies with which our lot is enriched and blessed. We thank thee for ability to work and earn our daily bread by daily toil, for toil which makes rest sweet, and rest which refreshes us for toil, for the varied experience of human life and

its progress from youth to age. We thank thee for the rain and the sunshine which, in their season, cause the earth to bring forth, and for the constant influences of goodness by which summer and winter, seed time and harvest, keep their unfailing order, and yield us their unfailing treasures.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Our Father who art in heaven, etc.

The Creed.

The Psalter.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn.

Prayer :

Almighty God, who didst in the beginning create the heavens and the earth, and hast established righteousness by a law in all that thou hast made, we thank thee for this day, which reminds us of Him who was delivered from the bondage of death through the power of an endless life, in order to turn every one of

us away from his iniquity, and to give us the gift of eternal life. We thank and praise thee to-day, Lord of all, for Him, who, coming in the likeness of sinful flesh, condemned sin in the flesh, and having died unto sin once, now dieth no more, but is exalted a Prince and a Saviour to give repentance unto Israel and the remission of sin; by whom, in regard to our faith in thy righteousness and our trust in thy grace, all old things have passed away, and all things are becoming new. May we, as those who are alive from the dead; as those who are renewed in the spirit of their minds, this day worship thee, and glorify thy name. Our souls would magnify the Lord, and our spirits would rejoice in God our Saviour. For He that is mighty hath done great things for us, and holy is His name.

Blessed God, who hast made the Sabbath for man, and hast divided between us and our common work and care by one day in seven, we thank thee for all the opportunities and advantages which this day gives us for bringing our work and care into harmony with thy eternal will. Grant that we may be in the Spirit on the Lord's day. May it please thee, Father of Mercies, and God of all grace, to keep our hearts and minds this day, that as He who was thy well-beloved Son turned the earthly Sabbaths to the glory of the Highest, by deeds of love and sympathy towards sinners and sufferers of mankind; we also, who profess to be His disciples, may worship thee and glorify thy name, by using the opportunities which this day gives us, not only of repeating His words, but of following

his example. O thou, to whom feasts and fasts and Sabbaths without love are an abomination, may thy grace, through the example of Christ, help us more and more to dedicate our Sabbaths and all our days to the work which thou hast given us to do, of communicating to others the good which we have received, and helping the kingdom of thy truth and love to come in all the world, as it has come among us.

Father, we thank thee for the privilege which we this day enjoy of coming to thy throne of grace with the burden of our shortcomings and sins. Another six days have passed, in which we have had opportunity to gather experience of thy goodness, and to work for thee, as those who know that thou art good. In these days, as in all our days, we acknowledge that we have been unprofitable servants. Temptation has come to us, that we might overcome evil with good, but often we have been rather overcome of evil. Thou hast loaded us with thy benefits, that through them thy salvation might be always nigh unto us, and the tokens of thy presence and grace keep our faith from failing; but we have often received them unthinkingly, and used them and loved them selfishly, and the good that was in them has sometimes been changed by us to that which is vain and evil. We, who are called in Christ Jesus to a heavenly life, acknowledge the worldliness of our lives. We have been careful and anxious about many things for which those who are worldly are most anxious and careful. But He whom we call Lord, and who is the

manifestation of thy invisible glory, has presented Himself to us in the poor and sick and erring and ignorant and unworthy of our kind, and we have not always been willing or glad to minister unto Him in them. He who once came unto His own has thus come again, and we, like others before our time, have not received Him. Have mercy upon us, and help us to bless thee, that the light which is in us has thus been shown to be darkness.

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who art reconciling the world to thyself through Him, we pray that thy mercy may be upon us, as thou hast made us to know thee and to hope in thee. O thou who hast been revealed to our thought, and our hope, not alone as ready to forgive, but as mighty to save even unto the uttermost, who art the Saviour of all men, especially of them that believe, grant us the aid of thy Spirit, that steadfastly trusting in thy goodness to us and to all men, we may, as thy creatures worship thee, and as thy children love thee. As we cannot worship thee or stand in thy holy place, pretending to have clean hands and a pure heart, we would offer if we could, the sacrifice of thanksgiving, as those who know the mercy of the Lord, how it is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear Him, and who are assured of the love and pity which pass understanding. We bless thee for those bounties of thy providence, which are to us tokens of thy grace, and for benefits of liberty, enlightenment, and security in a Christian land, which thy mercy has made to us as common

as the things that supply our bodily wants. We acknowledge thee to be the Lord. We bless thee that we know, that we are taught by our experience of good and evil in the world, that thou dost rule only to bless. We thank thee for all that we enjoy as thy gift—for our friends as made dear to us by thy friendship for us; for our health as preserved by the care which suffers not a sparrow to fall to the ground without thy permission; for our well-being in all that is the real good of life as coming to us from thee; for work and rest, for night and day, for life and death, as all devised by thee, and appointed and administered by thee for our good and the good of all that live and breathe.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Hear these our prayers, we beseech thee, for Christ's sake. Amen.

Hymn.

Sermon.

Prayer :

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

O God, who didst teach the hearts of thy faithful people, by sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit, grant us, by the same Spirit to have a right understanding of thy saving truth. Visit, we pray

thee, this congregation with thy love and favor; enlighten our minds more and more with the light of the everlasting gospel; graft in our hearts a love of the truth, and increase in us true religion.

Lord, we commit to thy keeping and protection, now, henceforth and forever, our souls and bodies, our minds and thoughts, our prayers and desires, our life and death, our kindred and our friends; those who have asked us to pray for them, and all those for whom we ought ourselves specially to pray. God the Father, preserve and keep us: God the son, assist and strengthen us; God the Holy Ghost, defend and aid us. Let thy merciful kindness be upon us, even as we do put our trust in thee. Amen.

Hymn.

Benediction or Ascription.

Second Sunday—Afternoon or Evening.

The Doxology.

The MINISTER :

Out of the depths have I cried unto thee, O Lord.
 Lord, hear my voice :
 Let thine ears be attentive
 To the voice of my supplications.
 If thou, Lord, shouldst mark iniquities,
 O Lord, who shall stand ?
 But there is forgiveness with thee,
 That thou mayest be feared.
 I wait for the Lord, my soul doth wait,
 And in his word do I hope.—PSALM CXXX.

Prayer :

O God, who art a Spirit and needest not our service, for all things in heaven and earth are thine, may we and all our brethren throughout the world draw near to thy throne of grace to-day and worship thee in spirit and in truth, lifting up holy hands without fear and doubting. And though we be miserable sinners who have offended against thy holy laws times innumerable, in thought, word and deed, be pleased

to pardon all our transgressions, to accept us and grant us our petitions through our great High-Priest, who appears in thy presence for us, Jesus Christ.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, etc. Amen.

The Creed.

The Psalter.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn or Anthem.

Prayer :

O God who art everywhere present in heaven and earth, and art the life of all that live, we beseech thee who art near to us to enable us to draw near to thee and to feel that thou art near. Though we cannot flee from thy Spirit or go from thy presence, and cannot be where thou art not, yet in our pursuit of vanity and love of evil we have erred and strayed from the blessedness of feeling thy presence and grace, and we beseech thee to grant that however we may have

departed from thee we may now seek thy face, and seeking may find thee. May thy presence be with us this day and all our days to inspire us with the life divine of righteousness and goodness.

We bless thee for the Church of Christ and all the means of grace which it yields us, and for this day of rest and quiet on which we, with so many who love the Lord Jesus, may offer our prayers to thee. We thank thee that on this day dedicated to thy worship, we are reminded of our fellowship with all men in the Gospel of thy grace, and of thy goodness to us and to them in making us heirs with them of thy boundless love. We bless thee that as we lift up our voices to thee this day to thank thee for thy goodness to us, we can feel that there are multitudes who, along with us, have entered into thy courts, and gathered themselves together to praise and bless thy name; that their faith is our faith, their hopes are the hopes which cheer and comfort us, their prayers for the coming of thy Kingdom are the prayers which we desire to offer.

Blessed and eternal Lord, whose glory it is to exalt the humble and to pardon the contrite, be gracious and merciful to us, and by thy grace enable us to feel how much reason we have in thy presence to be humble and to be contrite. We are glad that thou who knowest all things, knowest all our sins, for we know that thou art good beyond our hope, and we can joyfully trust ourselves to thy compassion. But while we rejoice that thou knowest us altogether, and that

our sins and iniquities are not hidden from thee, we stand in awe and fear in thy presence when we recall to mind how many and grievous they are. We bless thee for any faithful and honest and useful work which we have been enabled to do. We confess that much of our lives have been spent in idleness, or in doing nothing that was good or useful. We thank thee for any desire we have felt and any effort we have made to befriend and help any of our fellowmen, for any feelings of friendship and love that we have had towards them. We acknowledge our hardness of heart, in that we have been so often and so much indifferent to the good of our brethren. We bless Thee for any wise use we have made of any of thy gifts. We confess that we have used few of them as we ought. We thank thee for any feelings of hope and thankfulness towards thee we have experienced, for any gratitude towards thee for giving us prosperity or succouring us in sickness or redeeming us from the death of vanity and sin. But we confess that these feelings have been but momentary and transient, and that thou who art present with us in mercies and benefits innumerable, hast not been in all our thoughts. The good that we would we do not, and the evil that we would not that we do. Forgive us this our folly and vanity and sin, and in thy mercy incline our hearts to the love of that which is good.

O thou whose glory filleth heaven and earth, yet is above all revealed to us thy creatures, in thy kindness to the evil and unthankful of our race, we desire to join

with this confession of our evil, thanksgiving for thy goodness. Because we are evil, and because to us, even thy severity is kindness and thy judgments are mercies, we in our lives, above all thy creatures and all thy works, declare thy glory. Whether we give or withhold our friendship, thou art glorified in that we live. But we desire as thy children to worship thee. We bless thee for the varied experience thou hast given us in uniting in us body and soul. We bless thee for the experience which we thus have of bodily and mental enjoyments, of emotions that enrich, and reason that guides our lives, of change without us and within us of which there is no end. We thank thee for the experience with which we are thus gifted of a progress from youth to age, for life which is thus enriched with various good, for blessings and enjoyments which are thus enlarged by recollection of the past and by hope of the future.

/ We bless thee for the good which is common to all human life. We thank thee for the higher and greater good which men enjoy who live not unto themselves but unto thee. We bless thee for daily bread, and for the strength to toil by which we earn the sweetness of rest. We bless thee that we know that He that keeps us slumbers not nor sleeps, but when we sleep or when we wake, cares for all our race. We thank thee for those powers and faculties of mind by which we know that we are, and that thou art, and we thank thee for that light of science and of reason by which we know that thou art the rewarder

of them that diligently seek thee. Be thou our shepherd, and we shall not want.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

O thou who art the fountain of life, we bless thee for Jesus Christ, the life and the light of men, by whom there has been added to our few days upon the earth the inheritance of life everlasting; through whom our darkness is turned to light, in whom, though we see not yet, all things reconciled unto thee, we enjoy the hope that all flesh shall see it together, and seeing it, shall rejoice in thee and glorify thy name. We thank thee that we have not an high-priest which cannot be touched with a feeling of our infirmity, but one who has in all points tried like as we are, yet without sin. We bless thee that the name which we name in thy presence, and by which our confidence in thy fatherly goodness is sustained, is the name of the Holy and Perfect one, who was a stranger only to guile and envy and wickedness, and not to any of our weaknesses or sorrows or temptations, who, though He were a son, yet learned He obedience by the things which He suffered. We bless thee for the poverty of that life, of which the only wealth was love for thee and for mankind. We bless thee for the suffering and persecution which attended its course, and which brought to light its perfect peace and its heavenly glory. When we come into thy presence and offer our prayers to thee in the name of thy well-beloved son, and plead with thee for mercy to pardon us, and

for grace to help us ; we know also that our infirmities and our unworthiness hinder not our communion with thee, but bring near thy fulness to our necessity. We bless thee that through our great high-priest, once a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief, we have this confidence towards thee, the highest, and this sense of fellowship with thee by faith, though with our eyes we cannot behold thee. O hear us we beseech thee, for the Redeemer's sake. Amen.

Hymn.

Sermon.

Prayer :

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

O Lord, our heavenly father, in whose merciful light we have been sheltered from all evil during the past day, we entreat thee let thy presence still go with us as we pass into the shadows of night that thy hand holding us and thy spirit supporting us we may lie down without fear in peace and thankfulness and may rise in the morning with new life and strength to worship and serve thee. Amen.

Hymn.

Benediction or Ascription.

Third Sunday—Morning.

The Doxology.

The MINISTER :

Hear me speedily, O Lord ; my spirit faileth :
Hide not thy face from me ; •
Lest I be like unto them that go down into the pit.
Cause me to hear thy loving-kindness in the morning ;
For in thee do I trust :
Cause me to know the way wherein I should walk ;
For I lift up my soul unto thee.—PSALM cxlii.

Prayer :

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised, and His greatness is unsearchable. If our thoughts do not always reach unto thee, O thou Eternal One, it is because of the shadows in which we dwell, of things that are a part of the mystery of thy being and of ours. But with the desire of our hearts we may come to thee, and through them in part know thee, even as we are known. O thou that hidest thyself from the search of those that seek thee in the heavens above and in the earth beneath, but who art nigh unto every one of us, and who art found by those who look for thee with a pure and humble heart—may we have

grace and wisdom in this our worship to commune with thee, not to speak unto thee as if thou needest that we should tell thee what is in us, but to listen to thy voice speaking to us in the reasonable soul with which thou hast endowed us.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Our Father, who art in heaven, etc.

The Creed.

The Psalter.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn.

Prayer :

O Thou King Eternal, whose glory is to be loved of all thy creatures who are made capable of knowing thee; who art great in goodness and greatly to be praised; we come to thee with confidence as children to a father, believing that thou art more willing to give, than we to ask, the things that are needful for us. How shall we come before the Lord? With what sacrifice shall we bow ourselves before him?

We will bring unto thee, Most High, as our hearts teach us, and as the best and choicest of thy saints and servants have taught us, the desire that thou wouldst have compassion upon us, and upon all men, that thou wouldst make thy way known in the earth, and thy saving health among all nations. Hast thou not said by the mouth of the Holy and Blessed One, in whose name we are called, Ask and ye shall receive, seek and ye shall find, knock and it shall be opened unto you? Help us, our Father who art in heaven, and who dwellest also upon the earth, with wonder and adoration to acknowledge thee in thy works, to see and confess that thy greatness is unsearchable. Increase our knowledge of thyself and of thy glory, that ever as day and night in our fleeting lives revolve, and we are brought nearer to the end of our life here below, we may more and more truly and heartily, with all thy works, praise thee. But by what thou dost reveal to our hearts of thy goodness, we are taught that what the Lord doth require of us as worship and sacrifice and praise and blessing is, above all, that we should trust in him as good, and without wrath and doubting, lift up our empty hands to him that they may be filled.

We call to mind what we have known and felt and heard of the sorrow and suffering and weariness and want of mankind. Thy kingdom come, as in heaven, so also upon the earth. We pray for the sick that they may be healed, for the sorrowful that they may be purified through sorrow, for the wretched and

miserable and outcast that their wrongs may be righted and their misery relieved, for all who are wounded in their affections and broken in their hearts that as their day is so may their strength be, for all who are in this earthly darkness bewildered by the show of things and led astray into folly and vice and sin, that by thy mercy they may be led into the ways of righteousness and peace. May our nation, and all the nations upon the earth, learn the wisdom to be friendly, to love righteousness, to prefer industry and peace to war and bloodshed. Grant to our nation, and to all nations, the rule of the wise and good and great. Bless the President of the United States, and all others in authority, by giving them the glory of promoting among all nations enlightenment and industry and peace.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Our Father in heaven, whose glory it is to give always more and better than we can ask or think; in all our weakness in this life minister to us courage and hope; in all temptation give us grace to suffer and be strong; in all sorrow may we be patient and hope to the end for the grace of the highest yet to be revealed to us and all men. May we, in all experience of the vanity of earthly things, have bread to eat which the world knoweth not of, in the assurance that the purpose of the Lord from everlasting to everlasting is our salvation from sin and sorrow. Grant us this grace, for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

Hymn.

Sermon.

*Prayer :**Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.*

Grant, blessed Lord, that having these gifts and benefits we may live to show forth thy praise, living not unto ourselves but unto thee. It is thy world in which we live; may we work thy work while we are in it. It is thy bounty that nourishes our life; may we dedicate our lives wholly to thee. May we so live that every day, according to thy will, we may grow wiser and better and nobler; more full of the spirit of charity and brotherly kindness, and more free from envy and guile and greed. Every day may we seek to learn some new truth, to gain some new view of thy glory and thy grace, and to attain some new virtue and nobleness. While all things in heaven and earth, and in our mortal bodies, change from day to day, may there be increased in our souls the righteousness of Christ, so that when the earthly house of our tabernacle is dissolved we may have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. Amen.

Hymn.

Benediction or Ascription.

Third Sunday—Afternoon or Evening.

The Doxology.

The MINISTER :

In thee, O Lord, do I put my trust; let me never be
ashamed :

Deliver me in thy righteousness.

Bow down thine ear to me; deliver me speedily :

Be thou my strong rock, for an house of defence to
save me.—PSALM xxxi.

Prayer :

Almighty and everlasting God, Father of our Lord
Jesus Christ, who desirest not the death of a sinner,
but rather that he may turn unto thee and live; and
hast sent thy Son to suffer the cruel death of the
cross, that we may have access to thy throne of grace;
we desire now to approach thee in His name, confess-
ing our sins, and craving thy forgiveness. And most
humbly do we beseech thee, O Lord, to touch and
move our hearts by thy Holy Spirit, so that we may
be brought to a true knowledge of our transgressions,
sincerely condemning in ourselves whatsoever thy law
condemneth; and that we may attain also to a lively

sense of thy mercy, which thou hast abundantly showed unto mankind in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, etc. Amen.

The Creed.

The Psalter.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn or Anthem.

Prayer :

Great and marvellous are thy works, Lord God Almighty; just and true are thy ways, thou King of Saints; all thy works praise thee and thy saints bless thee.

O thou, who art not worshipped of man's hands, as though thou needest anything, seeing thou givest unto all life and breath and all things, we remember

in thy presence that thou art glorified whether we give or withhold our worship, for thou hast made all and preservest all, and in the being and preservation of all thou dost record thy praise. Heaven is thine, the earth also is thine, and all that live therein are living to praise thee. As having received from thee intelligence to know that thou art, and hearts to worship thee because thou art good, we desire to mingle the voice of our praise and thanksgiving with the voices of all thy worshipping creation and with the songs of the just made perfect through their faith. Holy is the Lord God Almighty; the whole earth is full of his glory.

Lord, what is man that thou art mindful of him, or the son of man that thou visitest him? O thou, whose nature and whose glory it is to regard with kindness and patience and pity the meanest thing that lives, without whose knowledge a sparrow falleth not to the ground, we adore thy mercy and goodness in caring for us and visiting us, who being made in thine image, and placed over thy works, have often made ourselves less than the least of thy creatures through our vanity and sin. Not only because man is frail, and thou hearest his cry for help when he is in extremity, but above all because man is vain and vile, and yet thou dost not turn away thy compassions from him, but in open and secret ways most manifold, art his help and succor, his refuge and fortress, we bless thee, we adore thee, eternal love and grace.

Almighty God, who in the beginning didst cause

the light to shine out of darkness, shine into our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. Thou that dwellest in the light, and art found only of those that seek thee in the light, help us through Him whom thou hast given to be the light of the life of men, to seek thee and find thee. Help us to put away the works of darkness, and the darkness which is in our hearts through our evil works, and as children of the light and of the day, to come unto thee that our deeds may be made known.

Blessed and merciful Lord, whose name is holy, from whom the darkness cannot hide, to whom the light cannot reveal, for to thee all things are naked and open, we come to thee to acknowledge and confess our evil works, our cold hearts, our unprofitable service. We will arise and go unto thee our Father, and will say to thee, "Father, we have sinned, and are no more worthy to be called thy children." We bless thee for the love and pity which assure us that we cannot come to thee in vain. O thou who knowest us better than we know ourselves, to whom the guilty thoughts and deeds that we keep from the knowledge of others do not need to be confessed to others, who hast marked and known all our unthankfulness for thy mercies, our slothfulness in duty, our selfishness in enjoyment, our impatience in trouble, our vanity and blindness and ignorance and unbelief, we bless thee that thou dost permit us to call upon thee and acknowledge our sin, having this faith toward thee,

that, if we confess our sin, thou art faithful and just to forgive us our sin and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Blessed God, Father of our spirits, cleanse us from earthly dross and vileness, from uncleanness, from the love of the world and the love of self, and from the stain of habitual transgressions. We are thy children, and thou art our Father, and these our sins hide from us the light of thy countenance; we are thy servants, and they hinder us from doing thy work; we are members one of another, and they make us the enemies one of another. By them we offend thee, by them we injure our own souls and the souls of others. Be merciful to us, and from these and all our sins deliver us.

Gracious Lord, who hast so manifested thy unspeakable mercy in the coming of Jesus Christ, that though we have sinned we might not despair, and though we suffer we might not perish, let His example instruct us, and His life quicken us, and His death save us, so that we may depart from evil and do good, so that we may die unto sin and live unto righteousness, and even while we fear because of our sin, we may yet more rejoice because the abundance of thy grace has been manifested through sin.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Lord, have mercy upon us through thy loving kindness declared to us by Jesus Christ. Hear us, O Lord, and grant us thy peace, for His sake. Amen.

Hymn.

Sermon.

Prayer :

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

And now Lord, what wait we for? Our hope is in thee. Be pleased to accept our worship, to forgive our sins, and to grant us, for the sake of thy dear Son, whatsoever good things we have asked of thee in His name.

God of all grace, who hast called us unto thine eternal glory by Christ Jesus; after that we have suffered a while, make us perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle us; that God in all things may be glorified, through Jesus Christ, to whom be praise and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

Hymn.

Benediction or Ascription.

Fourth Sunday—Morning.

The Doxology.

The MINISTER :

His foundation is in the holy mountains.

The Lord loveth the gates of Zion

More than all the dwellings of Jacob.

Glorious things are spoken of thee,

O city of God.

And of Zion it shall be said, this and that man was
born in her ;

And the Highest Himself shall establish her.

The Lord shall count, when He writeth up the people,

That this man was born there.

As well the singers as the players on instruments shall
be there :

All my springs are in thee.—PSALM lxxxvii.

Prayer :

O thou who dwellest not merely in temples made
with hands, but art nigh unto all that call upon thee,
and dost find thy chosen dwelling-place in pure and
lowly hearts, grant that our communion with thee the
Father, may be through thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord.
In the light of thy countenance we live, and in that
light all thy works stand fast and rejoice together.

Therefore we bless and praise thee this day, and all our days, that our communion is with thee the Father, through Jesus Christ thy Son.

Lord of Light, and of all that the light reveals: Lord of all men and of all hearts and lives; as thy children, not ignorant of thee, though not perceiving thee by sight or hearing, may we, as our days pass swiftly away, grudge the light of every day in which we are not more conscious than before, of the beauty and glory of thy works in the heavens above us, and in the earth beneath us.

May our experience this day be that we are drawing nearer and nearer to thee through the services of thy house.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Our father who art in heaven, etc.

The Creed.

The Psalter.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn or Anthem.

Prayer :

Father of all, whom to know is life everlasting, we give thee thanks and praise, that through Jesus Christ, thy name is known in all the earth. We bless thee that there is felt among them that know thy name, the bond of a spiritual communion and fellowship; that thou hast never left thyself without a witness among men; that this voice has been heard speaking as from heaven in the hearts of men, and in the words of the wise and good and true of all lands and all times. But above all, we desire to bless thee, that having spoken unto us by thy Son, whose words are to us a message of reconciliation and of peace, many have heard and known thy voice, and in their hearts and in their lives have turned to thee to seek thee as His Father and their Father. For as many as have thus been of that fellowship and communion, in which we this day rejoice, we praise and bless thee. We thank thee for all the work which they have done, and all the suffering which they have endured to establish thy Kingdom upon earth; to undo the work done by the evil and unthinking of our race, and to redress the evil done and the suffering caused by them. We bless thee for whatever grace was given to them, through the revelation of thy mercy to mankind in Jesus Christ, to live lives adorned with patience, and nobleness and self-sacrifice. And we desire to be of one mind with them all, that our communion and fellowship may be as theirs was in this earthly life, with thee the Father, through Jesus Christ. As belonging to

this communion, in which there is named the name of Jesus, we remember with thankfulness the departed who still live with us, and for us, in their works and words, our friends who have gone from us and are with thee, and all who now live and are living, as we desire to do, not unto themselves, but unto thee. May grace, mercy and peace be upon them all. By whatever name they are named, may the spirit of Jesus dwell in them by faith to make them thy children, and brethren one of another. May the blindness be removed which, while it is day, causes any of them to walk as in the night, considering not the things that make for peace. May strife and division, which mar this communion, give place to goodwill among men and peace on earth.

Deny us not that grace which in this communion and fellowship has been given to many whose faith we desire to follow; in whose footsteps we desire to walk. Make us followers of all them who through faith and patience now inherit the promise. Whatever men have known and felt of the satisfaction and peace of being reconciled to thee, and of doing thy will here as it is done in heaven, we also may feel in this communion. To the same ministry we are called, Our Father, in which they have served, whose names and deeds and lives we remember with reverence and love. In our daily work, and while we are beset by the cares and troubles and temptations of daily life, we also like them may be thine, and know the peace of God which passeth all understanding. May we, through thy grace ministered to us in these our acts and hours of

worship, and in all the discipline of this earthly life, be so inspired and guided, that this our high calling in Christ Jesus may not be in vain for us, but that we too, while our day is, may work the work which is given us to do, and receive in doing it the gift of eternal life through Jesus Christ. Father, who art reconciling the world unto thyself in Jesus Christ, suffer us not, because of the evil that is in the world through unrighteousness, to be unmindful of His example, or to be unthankful towards thee for all that He did and suffered, to bring the world to thy light, and thy light to the world. Evermore in this earthly darkness, may the light which is in Him, be to us a light to lighten our darkness, within us and about us. May He not have lived in vain or died in vain for us, but grant that we may live after His example, to the praise of Him who has called us out of darkness into His marvellous light. And may the light which we share, and in which we desire to rejoice, be spread abroad over all the earth, that all who are of the night and of darkness, and whose lives are bound in misery and superstition, through error and sin, may be delivered from the bondage in which they are held, and rejoice in thy salvation.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

All these things we ask in the name of Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn.

Sermon.

*Prayer :**Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.*

We remember before thee this day, O Lord, when we seek thy presence, our past lives; how full they have been of mercies and benefits, and how empty of gratitude and good deeds; how much we have received, and how little we have given; in how many ways we have been taught of thee and how little we have learned; how many opportunities we have had to become purer, and better, and wiser, and happier, and how little we have profited by them, how many of them we have not used at all. We recall to mind how much our religion has been a name, our worship a form, our duty a hard task, our life a vain show; we remember how fondly we have clung to earthly pleasures and satisfactions, and how dull has been our sense of the beauty of holiness and the divinity of goodness. We remember, and we confess, how like our lives have been to those of the vain multitude, without God and without hope in the world, and how unlike the life of Him who, to save us by his example, was holy and harmless and undefiled, and separate from sinners. We remember these our sins; we desire to remember them with a godly sorrow. Lord, be merciful to us, and from all our hardness of heart, from all our unbelief and vanity and earthiness be pleased to deliver us, for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

*Hymn.**Benediction or Ascription.*

Fourth Sunday—Afternoon or Evening.

The Doxology.

The MINISTER :

I will bless the Lord at all times :
His praise shall continually be in my mouth.
My soul shall make her boast in the Lord ;
The humble shall hear thereof, and be glad.
O magnify the Lord with me,
And let us exalt His name together.

PSALM xxxiv.

Prayer :

Most gracious God, our Heavenly Father, we thank thee that thou hast promised to hear our prayers for the sake of thy dear Son, and hast also taught us to meet together in His name, assured that he is in the midst of us, to intercede with thee in our behalf, and to obtain for us whatsoever good things we ask of thee. Wherefore, being now met, in obedience to thy commands, and in dependence on thy promises, we earnestly beseech thee, through Him who is our only Saviour and Mediator, that thou wouldst freely pardon all our sins, and so lift up our thoughts and draw forth our desires towards thee, that we may be enabled to

call upon thee from our inmost heart, and to frame our petitions in accordance with thy blessed will.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Our Father, who art in heaven, etc.

The Creed.

The Psalter.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn or Anthem.

Blessed Lord, who hast given us this day of rest and quiet for the offering of our prayer and thanksgiving unto thee, for the reading of thy Word, and for communion one with another, as thy children, we desire to bless thee for this day, and for all our days, for this life and for that which is to come, and for all thy benefits and gifts. We thank thee that in compassion for our weakness, thou, who art more glorified by our works than by our words, dost permit us to

rest from work this day, and to seek in the ordinances of thy house, thy mercy to pardon and thy grace to help us.

It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, to show forth His loving-kindness in the morning and his faithfulness every night. Thou art our God and we will praise thee, our Saviour and we will bless thee, our Father and we will be glad in thee. We bless thee for thy goodness to us and to all men; for all those benefits which make life blessed, and for all those mercies which alleviate its ills. We bless thee for our country and our friends, for teachers who teach knowledge, and workers who are examples of faith and patience and nobleness. We bless thee for the hopes with which thou hast comforted us and all men under the present evil of our lot and the present miseries of the world. We bless thee for the Gospel and for him who is the Author and Finisher of our faith, by whom we know that thou art love, and that all things work together for good to them that love thee. Thou art good, and doest good; it is thy glory to be kind even to the evil and unthankful. Thy mercies are heaped upon the undeserving, and upon them that deserve ill, thou bestowest good. Let us give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for His mercy endureth forever. The Lord is good unto all, and his tender mercies are over all his works.

O thou who hast given us life and breath, and all things, and requirest from us, not only for thy glory, but for our good, a right and thankful use of all thy

gifts, this day instruct us how to live, teach us to pass through the things that are seen and temporal, that we may not finally lose the things that are eternal. O thou who art the only life, whom to know is life everlasting, who hast been the home and dwelling-place of all those who in thy faith and fear have been pilgrims and strangers upon the earth, may thy Spirit help us this day to know and to believe thy promises, that we may also look for a city which hath foundations, whose builder and maker is God; that turning from vanity and sin to righteousness and love, and from the world to thy blessed service, we may find rest to our souls. Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed upon God. There is no want to them that fear thee. In all the troubles and temptations of this life, may we have greater than earthly power to help us; in grief may we have better than earthly solace to comfort us; in sickness and the hour of death, may we have better than earthly support to lean upon; in life and death may we be thine, and rest our souls on thee.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Help us to be grateful to thee for all the gifts and benefits which bring gladness to our hearts and enable us to be thankful to thee, for all those privations and griefs which cause us to turn to thee for help. The Lord is the portion of our souls. He only is our Rock and our Salvation. He is our defence; we shall not be greatly moved.

For all these mercies do we bless thee, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and ever. Amen.

Hymn.

Sermon.

Prayer :

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Impress upon our minds the doctrine of thy Word. Teach us to understand it, to receive it, to delight in it, to meditate on it day and night, to order our walk and conversation in accordance with it. Let thy Holy Spirit dwell in our hearts, to witness with our spirits that we are thy children, to sanctify us wholly, to fit us for thy service, and to prepare us for inheriting thy glorious kingdom. Put thy fear into us, write thy law within us, make thy grace at all times sufficient for us, cause us to love thee, to trust thee, to cleave to thee, and whatsoever we do to do it to thy glory. And thy name be the praise and the glory forever. Amen.

Hymn.

Benediction or Ascription.

Fifth Sunday—Morning.

The Doxology.

The MINISTER :

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

One thing have I desired of the Lord, that will I seek after;

That I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life,

To behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in his temple.—PSALM xxvii.

Prayer :

Almighty and everlasting God, who art revealed in heaven and earth, and in the souls of men created by thee, and, above all, in Jesus Christ, we desire, as those to whom not only thy power and greatness, but also thy love and goodness have been made known, to adore and bless thee. Not as we ought, but as we are able, we lift up our souls to thee and bless thy holy name, for what thou art, for the love which thou

dost manifest to all thy creatures, and for the boundless grace and mercy which is thy nature and glory.

All this vast universe, in which thou has given us a dwelling-place, is the witness of thy power and greatness; day unto day uttereth speech, night unto night showeth knowledge of thee. All thy works praise thee, and we desire that, as they in their unconscious beauty and grandeur, declare thy glory, so our hearts and our lips may speak of thy goodness and tell of thy wondrous works. Thou art in heaven, and art everywhere present in the earth; and the world, because it is full of thee, is full of beauty and glory. Dwell also in our hearts that we may be like thee, and manifest something of thy beauty, of thy holiness and goodness. Our souls would magnify the Lord and our spirits would rejoice in God our Saviour.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Our Father, who art in heaven, etc.

The Creed.

The Psalter.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn or Anthem.

Prayer :

O God, we would be thankful unto thee and praise thy name, not as those who know thee only in thy might, but as those to whom there has been revealed something of the exceeding riches of thy grace and mercy. We desire to thank thee, whose glory filleth heaven and earth, for the glory which is thine in ordering our lives so that it is thy good, and not our evil which prevails in them at last. We cannot forget in thy presence our shortcomings, errors, sins, our poverty of that which is true and noble, our abundance and variety of ills and miseries, which are the signs of our disorder and unrighteousness. We thank thee that it is not the evil in them, but the good which is thine that is preserved for increase.

O thou who art the Father of all men, who art no respecter of persons, we thank thee for thy loving kindness and tender mercy, which are over all thy works, not only as we have heard it from our fathers, but also as we see it and know it in the issues of our lives, and the lives of those who live with us. We thank thee that thou causest the sun to shine on the evil and on the good, and sendest rain on the just and on the unjust. We bless thee, that with fatherly care and watchfulness and love, thou that seest all, dost watch over all to bless them and save them ; that thou

lovest thy people, and art the friend of sinners. We thank thee for the providence which is over everything thou hast created, to make it all speak of thee to every ear that hears. We bless thee for the rain which waters the earth, for the flowers which beautify it, for the song of birds, and for all the innocent gladness which is stored for man and beast in this dwelling-place of thine. We bless thee, that while the heavens continue they declare thy glory; while the earth abides, it publishes thy praise; while the soul of man is conscious of itself, it is conscious of thee; and that thus, where we dwell thou dwellest, and dost manifest thyself to all the sons and daughters of men. We thank thee that in the midst of darkness of our making thou art ever, by an older creation, present to lighten the steps of erring generations.

We thank thee that out of seeming evil thou still bringest good, and better thence again, in a fulness of which thy thoughts, and not ours, are the measure. We thank thee that even the wrath of man is made to serve thee, and the remainder of wrath thou dost restrain, making all things work together, at last, for good. We thank thee that thou carest for us all; that in the hours of gladness it is the hand which made us as we are, and gave us the faculties we have, that makes our cup of happiness run over. We thank thee that thou art with us in our days of hardship and suffering and sore temptation and calamity, that when our own hearts cry out against us, thou art greater than our hearts, and understanding all things, dost

bless us in secret ways; and when we are cast down, and hope dies within us, thou art still with us and leadest us from strength to strength, to make thy strength perfect in our weakness. We remember the sorrows with which we are tried; to be thankful to thee that they are not meant to crush us, but to build us up in a new life. We remember those who were dearer to us than our own souls, from whom it was the bitterness of death to part, in whose death we entered into the Valley of the Shadow of Death, we remember them also. We bless thee that they were given to us, and we cease from murmuring that thou hast taken them away. We remember before thee their immortality and ours, and we bless thee for the kingdom of light and life overarching the darkness in which they are hid from our sight. In the days of our sorrow, and in all our days, may we, young and old, have a sense within us of this spiritual kingdom, in which the living truly live, and in which the dead are alive unto thee.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

May it please thee, Heavenly Father, to give ear to our thanksgivings and our supplications, and to grant that we may be thankful unto thee, and praise thy name, for Christ's sake. Amen.

Hymn.

Sermon.

*Prayer :**Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.*

We thank thee for the treasures of religious truth and wisdom which have been preserved to us in the records of Holy Scripture. Thou hast never left thyself without a witness among men. It is thy Spirit which giveth us understanding. We bless thee for truth wherever it has been spoken, or known, or welcomed as thy gift to the children of men. We thank thee above all for Jesus Christ, by whom in regard to thee, and our life in thee, our darkness is turned to light. Be pleased to grant that as children of the light, and of the day, we may come unto the light, that our deeds may be known, and that what we do we may do to thy glory. Hear us in all these things for Christ's sake. Amen.

Hymn.

Benediction or Ascription.

Fifth Sunday—Afternoon or Evening.

The Doxology.

The MINISTER :

Blessed be the name of the Lord
From this time forth and forevermore.
From the rising of the sun unto the going down of the
same
The Lord's name is to be praised.—PSALM cxiii.

Prayer :

O God, Light of the hearts that seek thee, and Life of the souls that love thee; and Strength of the thoughts that seek thee; from whom to be turned away is to fall; to whom to be turned is to rise, and in whom to abide is to stand fast forever; grant us now thy grace and blessing, as we are here assembled to offer up our common supplications; and though we are unworthy to approach thee, or to ask anything of thee at all, be pleased to hear and to answer us, for the sake of our Great High Priest and Advocate, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Our Father who art in heaven, etc.

The Creed.

The Psalter.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn or Anthem.

Prayer :

Praise waiteth for thee, O God, in Zion, and unto thee shall the vows be performed. O thou that hearest prayer, unto thee shall all flesh come. Iniquities prevail against us, but as for our transgressions thou wilt purge them away. Blessed is the man whom thou choosest and causest to approach unto thee, that he may dwell in thy courts. In the keeping of thy commandments there is great reward; in the submission of our will to thy will, is all our strength and health and safety and happiness. It is not in man that walketh to direct his steps aright. Thy Word only, is a light unto our feet and a lamp unto our path.

Send forth thy light and thy truth, and let them lead us and guide us unto thy holy hill. How amiable are thy tabernacles, O Lord of hosts; our soul longeth for the courts of the Lord; our heart and our flesh crieth out for the living God.

Almighty and eternal God, who art not worshipped of men's hands, as though thou needest anything, seeing thou givest unto all life and breath and all things, yet who hast commanded all men everywhere to pray and not to faint; to whom it is a good thing to give thanks; from whom cometh down every good and perfect gift, help us by the recollection of all thy good gifts, help us by the gift of thy good spirit acceptably to worship thee through Jesus Christ. O thou, who hast again permitted us to enter thy gates with praise, and thy courts with thanksgiving, grant us now also, we beseech thee, access unto the throne of the heavenly grace, that in lowliness of heart and mind, yet in the full assurance of faith, we may make our requests known unto thee.

If we say that we have no sin we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sin, thou art faithful and just to forgive us our sin, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. O thou, who hast made all things for man, and man for thy glory, we desire to feel and to acknowledge the sinfulness of our lives, for how often we have failed to give thee due reverence for thy eternal righteousness and goodness and truth. Other gods have had dominion over us. Other blessedness than a heart at peace with thee;

other gain than contentment with thy will; other good than experience of thy loving kindness to them that fear thee, have turned our affections away from thy service to the service of vanity and sin. There is none that doeth good and sinneth not. Enter not into judgment with thy servants, for in thy sight shall no man living be justified. Much of our doing has been wrong doing; the best that we have thought and purposed has come miserably short of the righteousness which is by faith in thee as good, and in goodness, as our only life. Our own hearts condemn us in the recollection of evil that we have done; in the knowledge of good to which we have never struggled to attain. We who have received by Jesus Christ the spirit of truth and righteousness, are condemned in thy sight, as being of the world which knew Him not. Have mercy upon us, O thou who lovest to have mercy and to forgive. Be merciful to us, miserable offenders.

Almighty and eternal God, whose is the day and the night, and all things seen and unseen, and for whom, and by whom, are all things, blessed be thy holy name. All thy works praise thee. From all thy vast dominion, which is forever and ever, from every corner of thy kingdom, of which there is no end, adoration, praise, and thanksgiving, ascend to thee continually, as the voice of many waters. By thy power created, by thy wisdom fashioned for their use and place, by thy goodness preserved in being, all thy creatures and all thy works show forth thy praise. Creator of the ends of the earth, who faintest not, neither art weary;

Father of the spirits of all flesh, in whom all live, for thy glory are we made conscious of ourselves and of thy works; in these our bodies and our souls, we are the living to praise thee. From thee we came at our birth; to thee we return at our death; all that we are in thine, and thine in us, and in all that we have and hope for, is thy praise and glory. Whether we live, we live unto the Lord; whether we die, we die unto the Lord. No man liveth unto himself, no man dieth unto himself. Grant that in our life, and in our death, in all our ways and works, we may seek to glorify thy name. Our souls would magnify the Lord, our spirits would rejoice in God our Saviour. Let the people praise thee, Lord, let all the people praise thee.

For what our eyes have seen and our ears have heard of the word of life, for all that righteous men and good men before our day saw of thy mercy and faithfulness; for the promises which they received as from heaven, for the hopes in which they rested and with which they were comforted, of good in store for all mankind; for the fulfilment of these promises, and the communication of these hopes to all in every age and every place who have believed in thy name, or sought to acquaint themselves with thee, we praise and bless thee. O Shepherd of a chosen race, who didst lead thy people like a flock, by the hand of Moses and Aaron, we bless thee that thou hast led all people, though they have not known it; in mercy and in faithfulness guiding the nations by a way which they knew not, into a better country of peace and light,

even an heavenly. Wandering, thou hast reclaimed us; lost, thou hast found us; sick and captive, thou hast visited us; sunk in wretchedness and misery, thou hast cast thy cords of love about us, and set our feet upon a rock, and established our goings, and put a new song into our mouth, even praise unto our God. Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath begotten us again to a living hope; to an inheritance in his grace, which is incorruptible and undefiled, and that fadeth not away.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

As heirs of an incorruptible inheritance, having in us a good hope of eternal life, grant that we may purify ourselves from all that is base and evil, even as Christ was pure, and that we may be workers with Him, for the diffusion among mankind of the blessedness of the pure in heart, for whom is the vision of God. Forasmuch as we have not been redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from our vain conduct received by tradition from our fathers, but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot, may we not be content with any fashion of goodness less pure and perfect than His; may we be the sons of God, without rebuke, unworldly because we love thee, unselfish because thou hast loved us.

Hear us O God, our heavenly Father, in these our prayers, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom be glory forever. Amen.

Hymn.

Sermon.

Prayer:

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy name, thou wilt grant their requests; fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for us; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. Amen.

Hymn.

Benediction or Ascription.

Sixth Sunday—Morning.

The Doxology.

The MINISTER :

Thy mercy, O Lord, is in the heavens,
 And thy faithfulness reacheth unto the clouds.
 Thy righteousness is like the great mountains :
 Thy judgments are a great deep :
 O Lord, thou preservest man and beast.
 How excellent is thy loving kindness, O God !

PSALM xxxvi.

Prayer :

Almighty God whom no man hath seen, but who art everywhere present, and in this sinful world present always to bless and save, to thee shall all flesh come. Thou givest us rest this day from common work and toil, from our ordinary occupations and week-day cares, and we desire to come to thee as children unto a Father, that we may enjoy here in thy house a higher and fuller sense of thy presence and grace, than is common in our common lives. The Lord is nigh unto all that call upon him, to all that call upon him in truth ; he will also hear their cry and

will save them. We are sure that thou wilt hear us, sure also that what is best for us, thou wilt freely give us. Grant, Lord, that we may desire above all, not thy gifts, but thyself, and may seek thy face with all our heart.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Our Father, who art in heaven, etc.

The Creed.

The Psalter.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn or Anthem.

Prayer :

Blessed God, who art near us when we think not of thy presence, and art always near us to bless us, we pray that we may be enabled by thy grace to draw near to thee, and feel that thou art near. In this earthly darkness in which our spirits dwell, and in

which we see thee not, we desire to hold fellowship with thee, who art light, by faith beholding thy glory; by faith assured of thy goodness. Thou causeth thy sun to shine so that our eyes are gladdened with all the beauty of the earth and sea and sky; may the better light of thy grace enlighten our minds, so that we may behold thee, the maker of them all, and with all saints comprehend thy love, how it passeth knowledge.

We remember before thee, thou holy and perfect one, our sins, the sins of all our race; how we with them have ever been unfaithful to the light, which thou hast caused to shine in the world, and unthankful for the good which thou hast caused to abound in it. By our example and our negligence; by our preferring our own ease and comfort to the good of others and thy glory, evil abounds where we are; evil which is our sin and shame. While all thy works praise thee, the world in which we are appointed to work, in its abounding evils and miseries, is our condemnation. All that we have is thine. Reckon not with us as to thy gifts; in thy presence, Lord of all, we are unprofitable servants. We have taken thy talents and used them at our pleasure, or hidden them in the earth, as if thou wert a hard task-master, reaping where thou hast not sown, and gathering where thou hast not strewed. As the heavens declare thy glory, the earth which thou hast given to man is a witness, in all its darkness and misery, of the vanity and sin of which we are all partakers. We acknowledge our part in the abounding evil of the world. We with our fathers and all our

race have sinned, and loved falsehood, and hated truth and righteousness; hated the light, and loved the darkness rather than the light. And we confess that evil abounds in our lives, and in all the world. Thou knowest how often we have been careless of duty, how much we have harbored in our thoughts of that which is impure and evil; how often we have spoken unkind words, and done unkind and ungenerous deeds; how often we have been pleased with unworthy hopes, and have been filled with base and foolish fears. Thou knowest how weakly we have feared, and shrunk from reproach and suffering in a good cause, and how unworthily we have yearned after, and hoped for, other good than to be righteous, and to know the peace of the man that pleaseth the Lord aright, and delighteth greatly in his commandments. We thank thee that the way of transgressors is hard, and that never when we have walked in it have we found it to be good. May the experience which we have thus had of evil, deepen in us the longing which thou hast created in us after thee, the perfect truth and righteousness and love. Out of the midst of vanity, and folly and evil, we cry unto thee. O living God, our heart and our flesh crieth out for thee.

Maker and Preserver of all, in whom all do live, we thank thee for this world which thou hast given us for a dwelling-place, for our portion in it where life is varied by the varying year, where pestilence is only by man's neglect, and where the seasons admit of toil by day and sleep by night. We thank thee for seed

time and harvest, for summer and winter. Increase our faith in thy fatherly care. And while thou feedest us with the meat that perisheth, may it please thee evermore to give us that living bread whereby our souls shall be nourished unto eternal life. We thank thee for that larger and better world of spirits which thou has made us to hope for in the life everlasting. We thank thee for all whom thou hast raised up and gifted to be workers for thee and for their fellow-men, to give sight to the blind, bread to the hungry, succor to the afflicted and friendless; for all who have had hearts to rejoice in the joy of others, and grieve in their grief, and themselves burdened, to carry the heavier burdens of the children of sorrow. For all such whom thou hast given to the Church of Christ, to our country, to mankind; for every friend of the fatherless and the widow, every helper of the weak and weary and outcast; for every lover of his kind, and every worker for the public good, and every reformer of that which is evil in our age, and in every age, in this land, and in all lands, we praise thee and bless thy name. Thou has given us gifts of men great in intellect, greater still in heart, by whom our captivity has been led captive, our life ennobled and enriched, our faith in thee and in thy eternal empire established and confirmed. We bless thee for them all, for all of them to us, known and unknown. We bless thee for all that by thy grace they have done for the Church, for our country, for our brethren whose earthly lot is poorer than ours, for the success which

has crowned their labors, for the example of faith and patience and courage and charity which they have left behind them.

We bless thee, merciful Father, for Jesus Christ, for the fulfilment in him of the hopes of ages and generations before his day, and for the continual increase of his influence in the world, since he came to his own and his own received him not. We bless thee that the ages which know his name and receive his testimony concerning thee, the Father of all, call the peacemakers blessed, and reverence truth and purity and goodness in the lives of small and great. We thank thee for the assurance that has been given us by the increase of his government, that it shall have no end; that we in our time, as well as others in ages past, have ably seen the dawn of the better day for all mankind, in which all nations shall call him blessed.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

May the Spirit of Christ dwell in us richly, through faith, to make us thy children, as he was thy well-beloved Son. May we be his disciples, not in word only, nor only by the outward ties of church or country, or profession of faith, but by doing the will of God from the heart.

Accept our praises; hear and answer our prayers and forgive our sins, for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

Hymn.

Sermon.

*Prayer :**Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.*

O God of our salvation, enable us to praise thee with fervent and joyful souls. And to this end enlighten our darkness; increase our faith; remove our estrangement from thee; give us more taste and feeling of thy love; and subdue our evil passions and affections; the foes of our peace and of thy praise. Make us more holy and more heavenly. Bring us in faith and love nearer to thyself. Prepare us for that better world, where the praises of thy people shall never be interrupted by sins, or griefs, or fears, or discords; but shall be everlastingly perfect, to our joy and thy glory.

We thank thee for the light of thy word, the rest of thy day, the comfort of thine ordinances; and we pray that, by thy blessing on our use of them, our love and praise may more and more abound, and that our whole lives may be devoted to thy service.

Hear us, O God, and graciously accept us, for the sake of Jesus Christ, thy Son; to whom, with thee and with the Holy Spirit, be all honor and blessing, world without end. Amen.

Hymn.

Benediction or Ascription.

Sixth Sunday—Afternoon or Evening.

The Doxology.

The MINISTER :

O that men would praise the Lord for his goodness;
And for his wonderful works to the children of men.
And let them sacrifice the sacrifices of thanksgiving,
And declare his works with rejoicing.—PSALM cvii.

Prayer :

O God, who art the hearer and the answerer of prayer, to whom all flesh come in their longings after things spiritual and divine, who art no respecter of persons in regard to any of thy best gifts, but who givest unto all men liberally and upbraidest not, may it please thee to give us with all thy gifts and benefits, a heart right with thee, to discern and feel the value of the benefits and gifts. While we desire and hope, and seek for blessings and enjoyments for ourselves and others, which are given but to the few, or which thy providence, or our weakness, has placed beyond our reach, we are tempted to neglect and to undervalue sources of enjoyment and of blessedness which

lie near to us and are open to us. We beseech thee, Father of mercies, to save us from this blindness and folly. We desire so to be informed by thy light, and guided by thy grace, that we may not, in asking from thee rare and great mercies, judge ourselves to be unworthy because unmindful of blessings and benefits thou hast freely bestowed upon us. In asking from thee, and in looking to thee for gifts of grace and piety, and with them experience of gladness and of peace, may we not be forgetful to avail ourselves from day to day of the opportunity to gladden our lives, and increase their store of enjoyment, by ministering of our abundance to the need of others.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Our Father who art in heaven, etc.

The Creed.

The Psalter.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

*Hymn or Anthem.**Prayer :*

Blessed Lord, who art worshipped by all the host of heaven, and art exalted above the thoughts of all thy creatures, whether in heaven or earth, we thank thee that thou dwellest with him who is of a humble spirit, and dost not despise the sighing of the contrite in heart. We thank thee that while we know in part, and believe in part, and our worship is but a poor endeavor to come into thy presence and be conscious of thy majesty and goodness, thou art pleased by the necessity of our nature to require our worship. Let the people praise thee, Lord, let all the people praise thee. In our blindness and ignorance we have often sought other help than thine in trouble, other blessing than thy favor in prosperity, other strength than thy grace in temptation and trial. But thou art all our salvation and desire, and we desire to come to thee and taste, and see that thou art good. There be many that say, "Who will show us any good?" Lord, lift thou upon us the light of thy countenance.

Almighty God, who knowest that we and all our race have sinned and done evil, help us to believe in thy forgiving grace, that we may come to thee with the sacrifice of a broken and contrite heart, and be accepted of thee, and cleansed from our sins, and saved from our iniquity. Forgive us, O Lord, most merciful and gracious, the sin of which our hearts accuse us. Pardon the evil deeds, and the vain and

impure thoughts that rise up to condemn us in the presence of thy light and truth. Forgive us that greater unrepented sin in which we lived when we lived without God in the world, forgetting Him who made us and preserved us, despising Him that bought us, and lightly esteeming the Rock of our salvation. Forgive us, O Lord, those many days and years of our life in which our hearts were visited by few thoughts of thee, or reverence for thy greatness, or gratitude for thy love. Forgive us those many days in which we were dead, even while we lived, in which we were careful and anxious about our own comfort and ease and pleasure, and despised others both in their griefs and joys. Forgive us that we have feared to die and meet thee in judgment, and have not been ashamed to live, in defiance of thy will, a vain and evil life. Forgive us that we have been shown the way of life in Christ Jesus, and yet have chosen the way of death, preferring the company of vain persons, to fellowship with thee in love and truth.

O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is good, for his mercy endureth forever. We will bless the Lord at all times, his praise shall continually be in our mouth. Blessed be thy holy name, O Lord, for thy goodness in giving us life, and preserving us in being; in supplying us with food, and making us members of that whole family in Heaven and in earth, who are named with the name of Christ, and to whom thou hast given powers of reason, and the knowledge of thy existence, and thy goodness. We thank thee for thy goodness

to us and all men, in causing enlightenment and happiness continually to increase in the earth, and in causing barbarism and cruelty to be displaced by the blessings of civilization and peace. We bless thee that as all the arrangements of nature are adapted to secure man's bodily welfare, so also all the arrangements of providence tend to advance his intelligence, and to enrich his spiritual well-being. We thank and praise thee that the evils which befell nations and classes in past times have, by thy care and providence, been turned to good, so that we reap in joy what former generations sowed in tears. The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear him, upon them that hope in his mercy. We bless thee for the freedom and peace and prosperity which we enjoy in this favored land; for all those institutions and agencies which have for their end and aim the good of the whole body of the people; for all those public workers and benefactors whose lives are devoted to the public service. We thank thee for the wisdom of our teachers, for the uprightness of our judges, for the integrity of our statesmen and lawgivers, and above all we thank thee for all those who in various ranks of life are examples of Christian faith and patience. We thank and praise thee that though wars have not yet ceased, many are the nations that love peace, and long for the day of universal peace. We bless thee and praise thee that our own nation and many other nations enjoy the blessings of settled government and religious freedom, and that there are

signs among them all of the coming of thy Kingdom. We bless thee, Lord of all, for the lot that has been assigned to us among the things that are seen; for our discipline in the knowledge of things unseen and eternal. We bless thee for all the comforts and enjoyments which tempt us to desire prosperity and abundance. We bless thee for the admonition which there is in trouble and adversity. The Lord is good unto all, and his tender mercies are over all his works. Above all, we thank thee for whatever grace thou hast given us to desire thy favor as better than life; for any desire we have felt to resist sin and to attain salvation; for any warmth of friendship or love we have experienced in our hearts. We bless thee for Him by whom grace and truth have come afresh to mankind; in whom all old things are passed away, and all things are become new. Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift. Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

O God, whose mercies cannot be numbered, whose love passeth understanding, be merciful to us thy servants, and increase our faith that these things which we have only heard with our ears concerning thy mercy, we may truly believe with our hearts. We know in part, and prophesy in part concerning thee, who art perfect goodness and truth, but even as thou art good, teach us to love thee; as thou art kind and pitiful, help us to trust thee, that our lives may abound

in the comfort of thy friendship and favor. And to thy name be the praise and the glory forever, Amen.

Hymn.

Sermon.

Prayer :

Special Prayers and Thanksgivings.

Almighty God, who hast builded thy Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner-stone, grant that, being illuminated through the words of thy prophets, and joined together in unity of spirit through the doctrine, precepts, and ministry of thine apostles, we may grow into a holy temple in the Lord, and may be builded together for thy habitation through the Spirit.

And unto Him that is able to keep us from falling, and to present us faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy; to the only wise God, our Saviour, be glory, and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen.

Hymn.

Benediction or Ascription.

Seventh Sunday—Morning.

The Doxology.

The MINISTER :

Give ear to my words, O Lord,
Consider my meditation.

Hearken unto the voice of my cry, my King and my
God :

For unto thee will I pray.

My voice shalt thou hear in the morning, O Lord ;
In the morning will I direct my prayer unto thee, and
will look up.

For thou art not a God that hath pleasure in wicked-
ness :

Neither shall evil dwell with thee.

But as for me, I will come into thy house in the mul-
titude of thy mercy :

And in thy fear will I worship toward thy holy
temple.—PSALM v.

Prayer :

O God, whom heaven and the heaven of heavens
cannot contain, but who dwellest with humble and
contrite hearts, look in mercy upon us who are here
assembled, according to thine ordinance, to offer up
our sacrifices of prayer and praise.

Grant us thy Holy Spirit, to guide and sanctify us, that we may be accepted in thy sight, and may obtain our petitions; for we come before thee, not in our own name, but in the name of our great High Priest and Advocate, Jesus Christ.

We thank thee, O God, our heavenly Father, for the message of grace and mercy that thou hast sent us in the gospel of thy Son Jesus Christ. Dispose and enable us, we pray thee, to receive it in faith and love, and to walk worthy of our high calling, not turning the grace of God into false liberty, but bringing forth continually the fruits of holy obedience, to the praise of thy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, etc.

The Creed.

The Psalter.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn or Anthem.

Prayer :

O God, who hast given us the Scriptures to be a light unto our feet and a lamp to our path, guide our steps at all times in the way of thy precepts. Suffer us not to go astray from thee, or to err from thy truth. Acknowledging our own ignorance, and the deceitfulness of our hearts, we call upon thee, O God, for help and deliverance; for thou savest all men that put their trust in thee.

O Lord, our merciful Father, guide and defend us in all our ways, that we may be delivered in all dangers and temptations of this day; and may so follow the pattern and example which thy dear Son hath left us, both in joyfully bearing and constantly performing thy holy will, that we may glorify thy name, and may abide in thy love, even as He did.

O Lord God, who makest all things work together for good to them that love thee, we pray that thou wouldst so order the course of thy providence respecting us, and so enlighten and purify our souls that all the events of this life may be made conducive to our eternal salvation, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Almighty and most merciful Father, who workest in thy children both to desire and to perform those things that please thee, grant us grace that we may pursue our several callings and duties in the world with a devout, holy and heavenly mind, considering that we are ever in thy presence and under thine eye; that in all our works and labors, working the work of God, and laboring for the meat that endureth unto

everlasting life, we may be found good and faithful servants, and may finally enter into the joy of our Lord.

O God, everlasting and almighty, who art the Creator and Preserver of all men, and who willest not that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance, send forth thy light and thy truth among all nations. Guide all thy flock in the paths of truth, righteousness and peace, and make them to be numbered with thy saints in glory everlasting.

Comfort the afflicted; send consolation and joy to all that are in trouble and sorrow; hear the groaning of the prisoners; deliver the oppressed from him that spoileth him; relieve the wants of the poor and save the afflicted people. Arise, O God, for judgment, and save all the meek of the earth.

O God, who hast revealed to us the light of thy gospel, and called us into the fellowship of thy Son, grant that we may put away all the works of darkness, and may walk in purity and uprightness and truth; that we may have fellowship with thee, for thou art light, and in thee there is no darkness at all; that so, when the shadows of this mortal life are passed away, we may behold those things which the eye of man hath not seen, and be made partakers of everlasting glory, through Christ our Lord.

Grant, we pray thee, O Lord, that we who have believed in the name of thy Son Jesus Christ, may die daily through his death, and also may be quickened through the power of His resurrection. Being cruci-

fied with Christ, may we live to thee through faith in the Son of God, who loved us and gave Himself for us; that when He shall appear in glory we also may be manifested as thy sons, and may inherit the kingdom which thou hast prepared for them that love thee.

Almighty and most gracious God, look in compassion upon our infirmities and uphold us by thy mighty power. Let us not faint or be weary in running the race that is set before us; but animated by thy promises, may we be strong both to do and endure thy holy will, looking unto our merciful High Priest, Jesus Christ, who himself suffered and was tempted, and is able to succor us when we are tempted.

Send forth thy Holy Spirit the Comforter, we entreat thee, O Lord God of all grace and consolation, into the hearts of those who, under thy wise and holy providence, are called to endure any sickness, trouble or adversity. Let thy fatherly chastisement, though for the present it be not joyous but grievous, work the peaceable fruits of righteousness in them that suffer. Enrich their souls with faith and hope, with patience and fortitude; and while they look at those things which are not seen, may their present affliction work for them a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory.

We pray that thou wouldst grant a spirit of wisdom and judgment to the President of the United States, to magistrates, judges, and all that are invested with authority; that we, under them, may lead a quiet and

peaceable life in godliness and honesty, adorning the doctrine of God our Saviour.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

And let thy blessing be upon all conditions of men among us. Bless them in the work of their hands; prosper their honest industry, grant them the things that are needful for the body and the life that now is; above all, make them rich towards God and heirs of thine everlasting kingdom.

We pray for our kindred, our friends, and all whom thou hast made the instruments of thy grace and bounty to us; that thou wouldst reward and bless them abundantly, and also for our enemies that thou wouldst grant them repentance, and enable us to forgive them from the heart. Amen.

Hymn.

Sermon.

Prayer :

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Almighty, Eternal God, who dost so heartily desire our salvation, and dost so faithfully warn us in many ways to think in earnest on the things that belong to our peace, we humbly pray thee to give us thy good spirit, that we may believe in thy great love and faithfulness with our whole hearts, and may not trifle away

our time of grace, but follow thy voice, which bids us come to thee while it is yet to-day; for the sake of thy dear Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn.

Benediction or Ascription.

Seventh Sunday—Afternoon or Evening.

The Doxology.

The MINISTER :

Praise waiteth for thee, O God, in Zion :
 And unto thee shall the vow be performed.
 O thou that hearest prayer,
 Unto thee shall all flesh come.
 Iniquities prevail against me :
 As for our transgressions, thou shalt purge them
 away.
 Blessed is the man whom thou choosest, and causest
 to approach unto thee,
 That he may dwell in thy courts :
 We shall be satisfied with the goodness of thy house,
 Even of thy holy temple.—PSALM lxxv.

Prayer :

We bow before thee, O God, adoring the Lord of heaven and earth ; of whom, and through whom, and to whom are all things ; to whom be ascribed all might, majesty, and dominion, world without end.

All things are of thee. The heavens declare thy glory : the earth is full of thy riches : so also is the great and wide sea. The day is thine : the night also is thine : thou hast prepared the light and the sun :

thou hast set all the borders of the earth : thou hast made summer and winter. Who would not fear thee O Lord, and glorify thy name ? for thou only art holy.

O God, who art exalted above all blessing and praise, and needest not our service, for all things in heaven and earth are thine, grant that we, and all our brethren throughout the world, may worship thee this day in spirit and truth, and may find acceptance with thee through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we thank and praise thee that thou didst raise up thy Son from the dead, that the darkness of death might be dispelled, and life and immortality be brought to light ; whereby we are born again to a new and lively hope.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, etc.

Creed.

The Psalter.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn or Anthem.

Prayer :

We humble ourselves before thee, O Lord, confessing our many offences. Our hearts and lives are polluted with innumerable sins. Thy fear hath not been at all times before our eyes; neither have we loved thee with all our hearts, nor studied to serve and glorify thee.

Hide thy face from our sins, and blot out all our iniquities. If thou shouldest mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with thee, that thou mayest be feared.

Almighty God, who art more ready to hear than we are to pray, and art wont to give more than either we deserve or desire, pour upon us the abundance of thy mercy; forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask, but for thy mercy's sake, through Christ our Lord.

O God, in the light of whose presence there is perpetual day, we thy servants bless and praise thee, who holdest our souls in life, and makest the outgoings of the morning and evening to rejoice.

Deliver us from all temptations of the world, the flesh and the devil. Take not thy grace from us; let us never want thy help in our need, or thy comforts in the day of our danger and calamity. Try us not beyond our strength, nor afflict us beyond our patience, nor smite us but with a Father's rod. Thou art our rock and our strong salvation. Deliver us, O God, from the miseries of this world, and from the wrath to

come. Rescue us from the evils we have done, and preserve us from the evil we have deserved.

Receive thy servants who approach the throne of thy grace, in the name of Jesus Christ. Give each of us that which is best for us; cast out all evil from within us; work in us a fulness of holiness, of wisdom and spiritual understanding; and make us faithful in every good work; that, living before thee with undefiled bodies and spirits, we may be presented without spot and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and all his saints.

O God, who hast commanded us to watch and pray that we enter not into temptation, endue us, we beseech thee, with sobriety, vigilance, and godly fear. Leave us not to our own weak and deceitful hearts; neither let us be seduced by the power of evil example; but may we put on the whole armor of God, that we may stand in the evil day. Succor us, O heavenly Father, in our time of trial and temptation, through the spirit, by which thy Son, our Lord, was led into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil; that, our conflict ended, angels may be sent to minister unto us, as heirs of that salvation which thou hast promised to as many as obey and follow Him.

O God, Father of mercies, we thy unworthy servants unite with one heart and voice in giving thanks and praise unto thee for all the goodness and grace which thou hast shown unto all men. Thou didst create us in thine own image; thou hast preserved us by thy good providence; thou hast delivered us from dangers and from death; thou hast bountifully sup-

plied our wants, and loaded us with benefits; above all, we magnify thy great name in that thou didst send thy Son into the world that we might not perish by reason of our sins, but be made heirs according to the hope of everlasting life.

Sovereign master and Lord of the world, we commend to thy protection and favor the powers that be established to rule among the nations, especially thy servant, our President. Grant thy grace to all that bear rule over us. Qualify and dispose them to govern in wisdom and righteousness, and may their administration be so blessed of thee that the whole people may have peace and prosperity.

O Lord, our gracious God, we implore thy mercy for all who may be in peril by sea or land; for widows and orphans; for the poor; for prisoners; for the bereaved, the sick and the dying, and for all the afflicted and sorrowful. May it please thee, merciful Father, to look upon them in thy compassion, to strengthen, comfort and deliver them; or, if it be thy will that they may now finish their course upon earth, receive their spirits into thy rest.

O Lord, we beseech thee to pour out thy blessing upon us, our persons, our families, our occupations, and all our concerns and interests. Give us whatever is needful for this present life, and also for that which is to come; and deliver us from vain regrets, needless anxieties, and unbelieving fears. We are in thy hand; we commit ourselves to thee; thou wilt not leave us nor forsake us. May we be diligent and prudent in our several callings; and may they yield fruits to the

supply of our need, to the comfort of our brethren, and to thy glory. Forbid that we should place our good in riches, pleasures, honors, or any of the things of this perishable world, but in thy favor, in the peace and joy of thy spirit, and in the hope of everlasting life, which thou hast promised to them that love thee.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Mercifully receive our prayers, and send us answers of peace, through thy well-beloved Son, our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Hymn.

Sermon.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

O Lord, let our prayers come before thee in the name of Him who is the angel of the everlasting covenant, who alone is worthy to receive all the glory of our redemption; and for whose sake we entreat thee to bless us and keep us this night, and all the days and nights of our existence upon earth; and when the golden bowl shall be broken, and the spirit shall return to thee, may it be to each of us the commencement of a life of glory that shall never know an end. Amen.

Hymn.

Benediction or Ascription.

Eighth Sunday—Morning.

The Doxology.

The MINISTER :

In thee, O Lord, do I put my trust; let me never be
ashamed :

Deliver me in thy righteousness.

Bow down thine ear to me, deliver me speedily :

Be thou my strong rock; for an house of defence to
save me.

Into thine hands I commit my spirit :

Thou hast redeemed me, O Lord God of truth.

I will be glad and rejoice in thy mercy; for thou hast
considered my trouble.

Thou hast known my soul in adversities.

PSALM xxxi.

Prayer :

O God, who art greatly to be feared in the assembly
of thy saints, accept our sacrifices of praise and prayer ;
and though we are not worthy to approach thy pres-
ence, or to ask anything of thee, do thou receive us
graciously, and answer us ; through Jesus Christ our
Lord.

Almighty God, we give thanks to thy great name,
that we have been preserved to see another of the

days of the Son of man. For the sunlight, for the succession of night and day, and summer and winter, and seed time and harvest, and the ordinances of heaven; for thy fatherly care and goodness to us the children of men; for thy watchful providence and unspeakable mercy, we magnify thy name. Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honor and blessing; for thou hast created all things, and thou dost sustain them by thy power.

O God, maker and governor of the world, who on the seventh day didst rest from all thy works, and hast promised an everlasting rest to all thy faithful servants, help us to rest from our works, as thou didst, that we who are weary and heavy laden with our sins and sorrows, may take up the yoke and burden of Jesus Christ, and so find rest unto our souls.

We confess that we are miserable sinners, for we have transgressed thy holy laws, and done despite to thy good Spirit, and walked in counsels of our own.

Forgive us, O Lord.

We acknowledge that we have not loved thee with all our heart, nor believed thy faithful Word, nor hoped for thy promises, but have been disobedient and rebellious.

Forgive us, O Lord God.

We have defiled ourselves with earthly passions, setting our affections on things below; loving the world, and laying up treasures upon earth; so that the love of the Father hath not been in us. We have not been watchful and sober, nor have we mortified

the deeds of the body; but our hearts have been full of the cares and pleasures of this life, and we have been conformed to the world. Our own hearts condemn us, and thou art greater than our hearts, and knowest all things.

Forgive us, O Lord, we beseech thee.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Our Father, who art in heaven, etc.

The Creed.

The Psalter.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn or Anthem.

Prayer :

Almighty God, Father of mercies, we render thanks and praise unto thee for sending thy Son into the world that He might redeem us from our sins and make us heirs of everlasting life.

Being justified by faith, may we have peace with thee, through our Lord Jesus Christ; and grant us thy grace, that we may depart from all iniquity, and may be a peculiar people, zealous of good works, showing forth thy praise, who hast called us out of darkness into thy marvellous light.

O God, who in the beginning didst cause the light to shine out of darkness, and hast made thy sun to rise again upon the world, scattering the shades of night, shine in our hearts, we pray thee, and deliver us from ignorance and error, from doubt and fear; and so cleanse us by thy Holy Spirit, that we, renouncing the hidden things of dishonesty, and all the unfruitful works of darkness, may walk before thee in sincerity, purity and righteousness; that we may have fellowship with thee, and may be followers of Him whom thou didst send to be the light of the world, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Almighty and most merciful God, who didst feed thy people of old with manna in the wilderness, teaching us that man liveth not by bread alone, we thank thee for the supply of our daily wants, for the bounties of thy good providence, for life, and breath, and all things; especially for Jesus Christ, thy unspeakable gift, who is the bread of God, coming down from heaven, and giving life unto the world. May we eat of this bread and live forever.

Guide and strengthen us, O God, with thy truth, refresh our fainting souls with thy promises, animate our hearts and purify them with thy love, that we

may walk with constancy in the way of thy precepts; and having finished our earthly pilgrimage in faith and patience, may at length be delivered from the toils and dangers of the wilderness, and enjoy forever thy heavenly rest, through him who is the author and finisher of our faith, Jesus Christ our Lord.

O God, omnipotent and everlasting, who art the Saviour of all men, and whose eternal providence is over all thy works, so that a sparrow falleth not to the ground without thee, and even the hairs of our head are numbered, we beseech thee to help and deliver us, thy servants, in all time of our trouble and adversity, and also in all time of prosperity, that we may not be overwhelmed with despondency and fear, or lifted up with presumption and pride, but enjoying thy bounties with humility and thankfulness and bearing thy chastening with faith and hope, we may endure unto the end, and having finished the work that thou hast given us to do, may, through thy mercy, enter into the joy of our Lord.

O eternal God, who didst speak unto thine ancient Israel, out of the midst of thick darkness, with thunders and lightnings and terrible majesty, we bless thee that thy grace and truth are now revealed unto us by Jesus Christ thy Son, whom thou hast sent forth in the fulness of time to redeem us, that we might no more be servants in bondage under the elements of the world, but might be sons and heirs of God through him.

Send into our hearts, we entreat thee, the spirit of

thy Son. Inspire us with perfect love, that we may draw nigh to the throne of grace at all times with true hearts in full assurance of faith; and having served thee in peace and joy all the days of our life may at length be made partakers of thine heavenly inheritance through our great High-Priest, who is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God.

Grant unto us grace, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that, as thou hast taught us thy will, we may at all times choose and obey thy holy laws, making our light shine before men, to the glory of thy name.

Almighty God, who hast made of one blood all nations, and whose will it is that all men should come to the knowledge of the truth and be saved, send the light of thy gospel into all lands and pour out thy spirit upon all flesh, that thy name may be hallowed everywhere and thy kingdom may come, which is righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Ghost.

O God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, look down in thy favor and compassion upon the whole body of thy faithful servants, whom thou hast called into the fellowship of thy Son. Grant unto them a spirit of knowledge and understanding in thy truth, endow them plenteously with faith, hope and charity, and with all heavenly gifts, and may they abound in good works, that they may adorn the doctrine of God our Saviour.

Build up thy holy temple in the earth, O God, and and fill it with thy glory. Adorn and beautify thy Church with the graces of thy Spirit, that every mem-

ber of the same may be unto honor and praise at the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ. And this we ask in his name who is exalted head over all things and of the church, which is his body.

Relieve the sick and the destitute; comfort the sorrowful; draw nigh, in thy mercy and grace, to the dying; and let all the miserable find consolation and redemption in thee, O God.

Defend and prosper our country. Let the people be obedient to thy holy laws, living godly, righteous and sober lives, to the glory of thy name.

Give grace to thy servant the President and to all magistrates, judges and rulers, to all classes and conditions of men, that we may all fulfil our appointed tasks, as under the eye of the great Master, and may in due time enter into the joy of our Lord.

Almighty and most merciful Father, we thy unworthy creatures unite in giving thanks and praise unto thy name for thy great goodness and mercy to us and to all men. We acknowledge thee, O Lord, as the bountiful giver of all the good things of this present life, but especially of that blessed hope of an everlasting inheritance which thou hast given us in Christ Jesus our Lord. From this time henceforth may we consecrate ourselves to thy service in all things, living as those who are not their own, being bought with a price. Amen.

Hymn.

Sermon.

*Prayer :**Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.*

Almighty and everlasting God, who hast placed us in this life full of trials and tears in order that we, through the same, may learn to give cheerful heed to thy Word, and be made meet for thy kingdom, we pray for thy good Spirit to dispose our hearts to seek in thy dear Son our only consolation under all sorrows, and enable us to forget our sorrows in the enjoyment of his peace and love through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn.

Benediction or Ascription.

Eighth Sunday—Afternoon or Evening.

The Doxology.

The MINISTER :

I was glad when they said unto me,
 Let us go into the house of the Lord,
 Our feet shall stand
 Within thy gates, O Jerusalem ;
 Jerusalem is builded
 As a city that is compact together :
 Whither the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord,
 Unto the testimony of Israel,
 To give thanks unto the name of the Lord.
 For there are set thrones of judgment,
 The thrones of the house of David.
 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem :
 They shall prosper that love thee.
 Peace be within thy walls,
 And prosperity within thy palaces.
 For my brethren and companions' sakes,
 I will now say, Peace be within thee.
 Because of the house of the Lord our God
 I will seek thy good.—PSALM cxxii.

Prayer :

O Lord, our heavenly Father, who hast commanded us not to forsake the assembling of ourselves together,

bleſs our meeting together now, and grant that by thy Spirit, our minds may be enlightened, our hearts cleaſed, and our wills directed to keep thy holy commandments.

We confeſs our ſins before thee, O God, thou righteous Judge, to whom all things are known. We have done evil in thy ſight, tranſgreſſing thy law, which is holy, juſt and good; and we are verily guilty before thee.

We praise thee that when we were enemies we were reconciled unto thee by the death of thy Son, and for the comfortable aſſurance, that if we confeſs our ſins, thou art faithful and juſt to forgive us our ſins, and to cleaſe us from all unrighteouſneſs.

Be it unto us, according to thy word, O Lord.

Juſtify us freely by thy grace, through the redemption that is in Chriſt Jeſus; that, having our hearts ſprinkled from an evil conſcience, we may ſerve thee in holineſs and righteouſneſs all our days, rejoicing in the hope of glory, and waiting for the appearing and kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jeſus Chriſt.

O God, thou Father of lights, and fountain of all wiſdom and knowledge, we thank thee that thou haſt ſent thy ſon Jeſus Chriſt into the world to enlighten our darkneſs, and to guide us in the ways of truth and righteouſneſs. May we hear his voice; may we know the doctrine which he hath taught us; may we render a willing obedience to his precepts; may we follow his example; and, finally, may we receive thoſe exceeding great and precious promiſes which he hath given us.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Our Father, who art in heaven, etc.

The Creed.

The Psalter.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn or Anthem.

Prayer :

O God, whose word is quick and powerful, grant to us, who are here before thee, and to all thy people everywhere, that we may receive thy truth into our hearts in faith and love, and so be prepared for every good word and work, to the honor of thy name.

Almighty and most gracious God, increase our faith, hope and charity, our patience, fortitude, and meekness, our zeal and diligence in thy service. May we, through thy grace, mortify all sinful affections, resist and subdue all evil habits, and abound in every good work.

May we be as epistles of Christ; thy laws being written in our hearts and upon our lives; that so we may walk worthy of the high vocation, and adorn the doctrine of God our Saviour.

Dwell in our hearts, O Lord God, and make us temples of thy Holy Spirit, that while in ourselves we are weak, corrupt, and mortal, we may, through thee be strengthened and sanctified, and finally, having obtained the victory over death, may reign in immortal life, through Him who died for our sins and rose again; who liveth and reigneth with thee the Father, and the Spirit, world without end.

Gracious God, Father of Mercies, who has sent thy Son into the world, that whosoever followeth Him might not walk in darkness, grant, we beseech thee, that thy gospel may be speedily preached among all nations, that all flesh may see thy salvation.

Let the kingdoms of this world become the kingdoms of our Lord and of His Christ. Take the veil from the heart of the Jew, that he may see the end of the law which was commanded unto the fathers, and let all the nations turn unto the Lord.

O God, everlasting and almighty, whose grace hath appeared, bringing salvation to all men, help us to deny ungodliness and worldly lusts, and to live soberly, righteously, and godly in this present world, looking for the blessed hope, even the glorious appearing of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us that he might redeem us from all iniquity.

Eternal God, who quickeneth all things, and by

whose Spirit the Church, which is the body of Christ, is governed and sanctified, we pray that all who profess His religion, may adorn His doctrine, by walking as He walked, that they and we may at length obtain that incorruptible crown which thou hast promised to them that love thee.

And we beseech thee, O Lord, who hast built thy Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner-stone, to grant a spirit of wisdom and power to thy servants who are appointed to labor in the ministry, that by their doctrine and example, thy people may be built up in their holy faith, and sinners may be converted unto thee. And everywhere let thy truth have free course and be glorified.

Father of mercies, look down in compassion upon the sick and afflicted, upon the poor, the miserable, and the dying, upon the friendless, the despairing, and the tempted, and upon all who are in danger, necessity, or tribulation. Send them comfort and deliverance, and do thou, who makest all things work together for good to them that love thee, sanctify their pains and sorrows to the health and salvation of their souls, in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

We beseech thee, O God, to bless all men; bring them to the knowledge and obedience of the truth.

Break thou the arm of the oppressor everywhere; and scatter the counsels of the people that delight in

war. And in all the earth let thy kingdom come, which is righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Hymn.

Sermon.

Prayer :

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

O Lord, have mercy upon us; grant that we may receive thy truth into good and honest hearts, and may bring forth the fruit of good living, to the honor of thy great name.

Thou who hast given the day to man for labor, and the night for rest, protect us by thy watchful providence during the coming night, and all the nights and days of our life. And when our days are ended, and our work is finished, may we depart hence in the blessed assurance of thy favor, and in the certain hope of the resurrection to immortal life, which thou hast given us in our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Hymn.

Benediction.

Ninth Sunday—Morning.

The Doxology.

The MINISTER ;

Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands.
 Serve the Lord with gladness ;
 Come before his presence with singing.
 Know ye that the Lord He is God :
 It is He that hath made us, and not we ourselves ;
 We are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.
 Enter into His gates with thanksgiving,
 And into His courts with praise ;
 Be thankful unto Him, and bless His name.
 For the Lord is good ; His mercy is everlasting ;
 And His truth endureth to all generations.

PSALM c.

Prayer :

Almighty God, the Maker of all things visible and invisible, our Creator and Preserver, who has sent thy Son to bring us near, who by our sins were afar off, and to redeem us, and make us sons of God, and heirs of eternal life ; grant unto us thy grace and blessing, as we are here assembled to offer up our common supplications ; to confess our sins, and to render thanks unto thy name for thy great goodness.

Help us to put away all heedlessness and irreverence; all vain thoughts and distracting cares, and so draw near to thy presence with earnest, humble and faithful hearts, in the spirit of holiness. And let our worship and service, being offered in the name and Spirit of thy Son, be acceptable to thee, and profitable to us; through Him who is our Mediator and Advocate, Jesus Christ.

We confess before thee, O God, our heavenly Father, that we are miserable sinners; for we have transgressed thy holy laws in thought, word and deed.

We have not loved thee with all our hearts; neither have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. But we have loved the world, and the things that are of the world.

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hast in thy gospel proclaimed remission of sins to all them that believe in the name of thy Son, and repent of their sins, confirm us in the faith and hope of this promise; and so work in us by thy Holy Spirit, that we may hold fast thy truth in a pure conscience unto the end, and also may bring forth fruits meet for repentance; that being justified freely by thy grace, and walking continually in the way of thy commandments, we may glorify thy holy name, and may know that we are indeed thy children, and heirs of the kingdom which thou hast promised to them that love thee.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, etc.

The Creed.

The Psalter.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn or Anthem.

Prayer :

O God, who desirest not sacrifice, and hast no delight in burnt offering, but hast showed us what is good; and requirest of us to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly before thee, grant us, we pray thee, true repentance and godly sorrow, and so direct and govern our hearts and lives that we may render a constant obedience to thy holy laws; that, offering to thee the sacrifices of righteousness, we may be acceptable in thy sight, and may obtain our petitions; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

O God, thou King eternal, immortal, invisible, the blessed and only Potentate, may we, who cannot see thee with the eye of flesh, behold thee steadfastly with the eye of faith, that we faint not under the many

temptations and afflictions of this mortal life, but endure as seeing thou who art invisible; that after we have done and suffered thy will upon the earth, we may behold the vision of God in heaven, and be made partakers of those joys unspeakable which thou hast promised to them that love thee.

O God, our bountiful Benefactor, we thank thee for the bread that perisheth and for all the good things of this present life. May we receive them with gratitude, and enjoy them with temperance and charity. Make us to hunger and thirst after righteousness, that our souls may at length be satisfied with the fulness of truth and grace; through him who is the bread of life, and giveth life unto the world, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Most gracious God, who didst send thy Son into the world to die for our sins, and to rise again, grant that we may rise with Christ to newness of life; abounding in godliness, justice, charity and meekness, in purity and temperance in fortitude, patience and resignation; that we may be indeed followers of Christ in all the steps of his blessed and holy life; and may walk worthy of our high vocation; through him who is our Redeemer and Lord; and who suffered for us in the flesh, leaving us an example that we should follow his steps.

God of all grace and consolation, send into our hearts thy Holy Spirit to abide with us forever, that we, being taught and quickened, purified and strengthened by thy heavenly grace, may faithfully and joyfully serve thee all our days, through Christ our Lord.

Blessed God, whose will it is that all men should be saved, and who hast commanded us to make intercessions and prayers for all men, we offer up before thee our supplications for the whole human race, that they may be brought to the knowledge and obedience of the truth; and especially for all thy people, that they may fight the good fight and lay hold on eternal life, and may so run the race that is set before them, that in due time they may obtain the prize; and for all the afflicted, that it may please thee to sanctify, uphold and comfort them, and to redeem their souls from all evil.

Look dōwn from the height of thy sanctuary, O merciful Father, upon the sick, the sorrowful, and the dying, upon widows and orphans, upon the despairing and the tempted. Lord, have mercy upon them, and upon us also; for we are all of like passions, and compassed about with infirmity. Help us to be humble, sober and watchful, that we may stand in the evil day. We pray for our kindred, friends and benefactors, that thou wouldst enrich them with thy favor, and grant unto them a portion in thy heavenly kingdom. And for our enemies—if we have enemies—that thou wouldst forgive them, and help us to forgive them from the heart, that rendering good for evil, we may indeed be thy children, and perfect as our Father in heaven is perfect.

O God, thou King of glory, who rulest all the nations of the world, and to whom pertain all might, majesty and dominion in heaven and earth, we beseech

thee to regard with thy favor the President of the United States, the Governor of this Commonwealth, the Members of Congress, all Magistrates and Judges and all persons invested with authority. Be pleased to grant unto them a spirit of wisdom, and of the fear of the Lord, and may we, and all under them, lead a quiet and peaceable life in godliness and honesty, showing forth thy praise, who hast called us out of darkness into the marvellous light of thy gospel.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

O God, by whose gracious providence we enjoy the good things of this life, and also all things pertaining to godliness and the life eternal, we, thy unworthy servants, unite with one heart in rendering thanks and praise unto thy great name.

Enable us, we entreat thee, O Lord, to manifest our gratitude by a willing and constant obedience to thy righteous commands, and by walking at all times after the example of Him whom thou didst send into the world to take away its sin, and make us sons of God and heirs of immortal life. Amen.

Hymn.

Sermon.

Prayer:

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Almighty and Eternal God, who hast graciously be-

stowed on us the clear light of thy truth, whereby, notwithstanding our sins, we can attain through Christ a childlike trust in thee, we humbly pray thee give us thy Holy Spirit, that we may believe thy truth with our whole hearts, and relying wholly upon thee, may deny the world and ourselves, and bear the cross after thy dear Son in steadfast patience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn.

Benediction or Ascription.

Ninth Sunday—Afternoon or Evening.

The Doxology.

The MINISTER :

Trust in the Lord, and do good ;
So shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt
be fed.

Delight thyself also in the Lord ;
And He shall give thee the desires of thine heart.
Commit thy way unto the Lord ;
Trust also in Him, and He shall bring it to pass.
And He shall bring forth thy righteousness as the
light,

And thy judgment as the noonday.
Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for Him :
Fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his
way,
Because of the man who bringeth wicked devices to
pass.—PSALM xxxvii.

Prayer :

Almighty and everlasting God, who hast promised
that in all places where thou dost record thy name
thou wilt meet with thy servants and bless them, fulfill

to us now thy promise, and make us joyful in thy house of prayer.

Solemnize and purify our minds; raise our hearts to thee: endow us with wisdom and understanding: may we know, believe and love thy truth; and let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, our strength and our Redeemer.

Lord, have mercy upon us, for we daily sin against thee, transgressing thy holy laws, failing of the duty thou requirest of us, and grieving thy spirit of grace. Through Jesus Christ thy Son, who ever liveth in thy presence in heaven, our High-Priest and Mediator, blot out all our offences, our ignorances and negligences, our unfaithfulness in thy service, our sloth and pride, our love of the world, and all our secret faults and presumptuous sins, by which we have been disobedient unto thy heavenly calling, and have merited thy just displeasure. If thou shouldst enter into judgment, we could not stand; but there is mercy with thee that thou mayest be feared.

O Lord, our heavenly Father, give us thy Holy Spirit, that we may be wise unto salvation; may be just, upright, sincere, doing unto others as we would they should do unto us; may be purified from all base, unholy and malignant passions; may be liberated and made free from bondage to the world, the flesh and the devil; and finally obtain everlasting life.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, etc.

The Creed.

The Psalter.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn or Anthem.

Prayer :

O God, who didst speak in times past unto the fathers by the prophets, and hast, in these last days, spoken unto us by thy Son, give us, we pray thee, humble, teachable and obedient hearts, that we may lend a willing ear to the doctrine which He hath taught us, and hold it fast, to thy honor and praise. Deliver us from the instruction that causeth to err. Let us not receive for doctrines the commandments of men: seeing one is our Master, even Christ, and all we are brethren. May we know the truth, and so be made free from all darkness and unbelief, from all error and sin.

And to this end give us the love of the truth, purify our souls from heedlessness and vanity, from hypocrisy and hardness of heart, from covetousness and love of the world, and from fleshly lusts which war against the soul; and endow us with seriousness and earnestness of spirit that we may fight the good fight of faith and lay hold of eternal life.

Blessed Lord, who hath sent forth thy Son Jesus Christ to die for our sins, and also, by His heavenly doctrine and holy life, to lead us in the paths of truth and righteousness, grant us thy Holy Spirit to dwell in our hearts, to guide our lives, and to sanctify us wholly in body, soul and spirit; that having glorified thee upon the earth and finished the work thou hast given us to do, we may obtain the victory over all our enemies, and reign in immortal life, through Him who is thy Word made flesh, Jesus Christ.

O thou great Master and Lord, who art calling us to serve thee that we may be free, and art intrusting thy talents to our keeping for a season, grant us grace to be wise and faithful stewards even in that which is least. May we not abuse or bury thy gift, but improve it to thy glory; that when the Lord shall reckon with us, we may be found of Him in peace, and may enter into the joy of our Lord.

O God who hast given us the promise of thy heavenly rest, may we labor earnestly to enter into it. To this end quicken, we pray thee, our faith and hope. Teach us to mortify whatever in us is earthly, carnal and corrupt. Putting off the works of darkness, may we

be clothed with truth, righteousness, and purity, and walk as Christ walked; that we may have confidence and not be ashamed before Him at His coming.

Almighty and most merciful God, Father of lights and fountain of all goodness, who didst send forth thy Son to be the light of the world, that whosoever followeth Him should not walk in darkness, so illuminate and guide all pastors and teachers that they may fully know and faithfully declare thy holy gospel; that the whole church may grow in faith and charity and patience, and may abound in every good word and work. And we humbly entreat thee, most merciful God, to receive graciously the sacrifices of praise and prayer which thy people have this day throughout the world offered unto thee.

Let the cry of thy family enter into thine ears, O Father, and send unto thy children an answer of peace; through our elder brother, Jesus Christ.

O Lord, who art from everlasting to everlasting, who knowest the end from the beginning, and who hast given to thy Son the heathen for His inheritance, hasten, we entreat thee, the coming and kingdom of Christ.

Let all the ends of the earth remember and turn to the Lord; let all the kindreds of the nations worship before thee. And do thou, who holdest the hearts of all men in thy hand, open a great door and effectual for the preaching of thy servants everywhere, that their sound may go into all the earth, and their words to the ends of the world.

O Lord, who art very pitiful and of tender mercy, who art the Father of the fatherless, and the husband of the widow, and dost not willingly afflict or grieve the children of men, we who are ourselves in the body, lift up our hearts unto thee on behalf of all our brethren who are in any affliction or distress. Look down from thy holy habitation upon the poor and destitute; upon the bereaved and the sorrowful, the sick and the dying; upon those that are in pain and anguish; upon such as are unjustly held in bondage; and upon all that are desolate and oppressed. Send them speedy help and deliverance, O thou Judge of the earth; and so enrich the souls of thy afflicted servants with patience and hope that their present trouble may conduce to their eternal salvation.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Lord of all power and might, we call upon thee whose mercies are from everlasting. We are ignorant, weak, and perverse; leave us not, O God, neither forsake us. Guide us with thy counsel; uphold us by thy power. Suffer us not to go astray from thy ways; let us not be weary in well doing. May we live in thy fear and love all the days of our life; may we die in thy favor; and let our portion be among thy saints at the glorious appearing of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Hymn.

Sermon.

*Prayer :**Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.*

O God, our heavenly Father, suffer not the good seed of thy word to be caught away by the wicked one out of our hearts; but being received into good and honest hearts, may it bring forth abundantly the fruits of faith and good works, to the glory of thy grace.

O Lord God, in whose presence there is no darkness, for thou dwellest forever in unapproachable light, keep and defend us in soul and body during the coming night, and in all the darkness of this mortal life. May we rest in the assurance of thy favor; in the peace of a good conscience; in the hope of a better life; in the faith of thy providence and protection; and in the love of thy spirit.

May we rise up again to diligence in our several callings, to work the work of God while the day lasts, seeing that the night cometh in which no man can work. And whether we awake or sleep, may we live together with Christ.

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Hymn.

Benediction or Ascription.

Tenth Sunday—Morning.

The Doxology.

The MINISTER :

Blessed be the Lord ;
 Because he hath heard the voice of my supplications.
 The Lord is my strength and my shield ;
 My heart trusted in Him, and I am helped :
 Therefore my heart greatly rejoiceth ;
 And with my song will I praise Him.
 Save thy people, and bless thine inheritance :
 Feed them also, and lift them up forever.

PSALM xxviii.

Prayer :

O God, who lovest the gates of Zion more than all the dwellings of Jacob, and hast commanded us not to forsake the assembling of ourselves together, be merciful to us, we beseech thee, and make us joyful in thy house of prayer.

Grant us thy grace, without which we cannot worship thee acceptably. Deliver us from unbelief and hardness of heart, from hypocrisy and love of the world, from the dominion of the flesh, and from the powers of darkness ; and endow us with faith, hope

and charity, that we may worship thee in spirit and in truth.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, etc.

The Creed.

The Psalter.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn or Anthem.

Prayer :

We will say of the Lord, He is our God, our refuge, in Him will we trust. O thou eternal one, who to our minds dwellest as if in heaven rather than upon earth, because evil is in the world by sin, but who art present everywhere, as in heaven so also upon earth, to be a help in trouble and light in darkness to the children of men, may we feel thy presence with us now and here in thoughts of thee which are free from doubt and

full of peace and gladness. As we rest from work this day, may we live the life of thought and feeling where it is best and purest in thy presence, conscious of thy being and thy love.

O thou most High, it is a good thing to give thanks unto thy name, to show forth thy praise. Yet would we not forget that still more acceptable is it with thee, if we know anything of the deep shadow and mystery in which our life is wrapped, to commune with our own hearts and listen to thy voice speaking in them and telling us to be still and know that thou art God. We, as we may and ought, laud and praise thy name for all that has made life good to us, and to all we love, and to the whole race of man.

Gracious and merciful God, we thank thee that while the knowledge of thy perfections convinces us of sin, we are encouraged by that knowledge to confess our sin, and are assured by it that if we confess our sin, thou art faithful and just to forgive us our sin and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Thou hast placed our secret sins in the light of thy countenance. Thou hast brought to light in Jesus Christ all thy goodness and all our evil, all thy perfection and all our infirmity and unworthiness. By the revelation of thy love toward us thou hast manifested our selfishness, by the manifestation of thy perfect goodness thou hast revealed our vanity and sin. Even as we learn to know thee more truly in thy works and in thy Word, and are more assured of what is most certain in our knowledge of thee; even as the fear of the

Lord is increased in the earth, and superstition and misbelief are displaced by light and knowledge, so do we learn to feel how poor and miserable are our best endeavors to serve thee, and how great is the sum of our unprofitableness and our evil. Lord, we believe; help our unbelief. Reveal to us, we beseech thee, more clearly and fully thy perfect truth and thy glorious righteousness, that we may not be misled by false and worldly views of justice or right, but that we may truly know and entirely love that which is good and true, and shrink from all that is base and evil. Thus be pleased to convince us of sin; thus enable us to repent of that evil which we still love, and of that vanity to which we still cling. We acknowledge that even now our own hearts condemn us. We have known what is good and what the Lord hath required of us, but sometimes in weakness, often in wilfulness, we have spoken that which was insincere and untrue, done that which was unjust and unkind, denied thy grace striving with us, yielded to the tempter tempting us to evil. We confess, Lord, before thee those many sins of which, in the course of our lives, our consciences have accused us, but which are now forgotten by us. We remember those great sins which, because they were great and heinous, we cannot forget. We know that whether we remember or forget them, their wages is death till we repent of them and turn from them. Save us, O Lord, from these and from all our sins. Deliver us from evil, and from the vanity of a life empty of thy grace. Hide

thy face from our trespasses and remember not our transgressions.

O God, whom we do daily offend by our manifold iniquities, have mercy upon us, and blot out all our sins. Let it please thee not to cut us down as cumberers of the ground; but spare us, and so quicken us by thy grace, that we may live no longer unto ourselves, but unto Him who died for us and rose again, and whom thou hast exalted at thy right hand, that He may be Lord both of the dead and of the living. Amen.

Hymn.

Sermon.

Prayer :

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

O Lord our Heavenly Father, we lift up our hearts unto thee on behalf of all that are called by thy name. Let thy blessing descend upon the whole Church; preserve her in truth and peace, in unity and safety, in all storms and against all temptations; that she, offering to thy glory the never-ceasing sacrifice of prayer and thanksgiving and all holy obedience, may advance the honor of her Lord, and be filled with His spirit and partake of His glory.

Our days and weeks glide swiftly away, reminding us of the end of our days, and of the night which is at

hand, when we shall cease from all our earthly cares and labors, and lie down in the dust in silence and darkness.

May we, by thy grace, O Lord, so redeem the time of our visitation, that we shall close our eyes upon this world without sorrow or fear, and sleep in Jesus, our flesh resting in hope of thy promises; that when the day of God shall dawn, we may arise with joy, and put on immortality, being redeemed from all the power of corruption, and made like unto the Son of God; that we, with all thy saints, may live and reign with Him, who died for us and rose again, and liveth and reigneth with thee the Father, in the unity of the Eternal Spirit, world without end. Amen.

Hymn.

Benediction or Ascription.

Tenth Sunday—Afternoon or Evening.

The Doxology.

The MINISTER :

O God, be not far from me :
 O my God, make haste for my help.
 My mouth shall show forth thy righteousness,
 And thy salvation all the day.
 My lips shall greatly rejoice when I sing unto thee ;
 And my soul, which thou hast redeemed.
 It is good for me to draw near to God :
 I have put my trust in the Lord God,
 That I may declare all thy works.—PSALMS lxxi, lxxiii.

Prayer :

Almighty and most merciful Father, we thank thee for permission to approach thy throne of grace through Jesus Christ, the great High-Priest of our profession ; assured that thou hearest prayer, and wilt give us all things needful, whether for the body or the soul, for the life that now is, and that which is to come.

Blot out all our sins, we beseech thee, O Lord : cleanse us from all our iniquities. Give us a heart to fear and love thee. So teach us that we may know

thy will; so strengthen us that we may perform it constantly, and may grow in grace, in wisdom, and in all goodness; to the glory of thy name.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Our Father, who art in heaven, etc.

The Creed.

The Psalter.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn or Anthem.

Prayer :

O God, who didst proclaim thy law from Mount Sinai in terrible majesty, we give thee thanks that the thunder, and the earthquake, and the fire are now past, and we are permitted to hear the still small voice of thy grace speaking to us in the gospel.

Deliver us from the spirit of bondage and fear, and dwell in our hearts by the Holy Ghost, that we may

serve thee in peace and joy, hoping for thy glorious promises, through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

We praise and bless thy holy name, Father of mercies, and God of all grace, that thou hast had compassion upon us miserable sinners :

That thou didst send thy Son to seek and save us :

That He took on him the form of a servant, and the likeness of sinful flesh, and fulfilled thy law, and was obedient to all thy will, even unto death :

That He made atonement for our sins ; and when He had overcome the sharpness of death, He opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers :

That He sitteth at thy right hand in glory everlasting :

That He will come again in glory and majesty to judge the quick and the dead ; and will reign until all enemies are put under his feet :

That He is our Advocate with thee ; the Captain of our salvation ; the author and finisher of our faith :

That He is touched with the feeling of our infirmities ; having been in all points tempted as we are :

That He ever liveth to make intercession ; and saveth unto the uttermost them that come unto thee by Him :

That thou hast sent unto us the gospel of thy grace ; and hast permitted us to unite with thy church militant in calling upon thy name, and learning the way of eternal life.

O God, who dwellest from eternity in light that is inaccessible and full of glory, we thank thee that by

the manifestation of thy Son in the flesh, thou hast revealed thyself unto us, so dispelling our ignorance, and guiding our steps in the ways of righteousness and peace.

Incline our hearts to hear His voice who speaketh to us from heaven; to obey and follow Him who is the light of the world; that being translated out of the kingdom of darkness, and redeemed from all the power of sin and death, we may at length receive thy promises, and be made partakers of glory, honor and immortality; through our Lord and Redeemer, Jesus Christ.

Almighty God, the Creator and Preserver of all mankind, we pray thee to send into all lands the light of thy truth, and grant that all men may receive it in faith and love, and be saved.

We commit ourselves and all that are dear to us, our kindred, friends, and benefactors, and those who have desired to be remembered in our prayers, to thy mercy and grace, and to the keeping of thy good providence, O Lord our God.

Grant unto them and us that which is needful for the present life, and with it bestow thy blessing. Enrich us with patience and resignation, with cheerfulness and fortitude; and teach us, in whatever state we are, therewith to be content.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Cleanse our souls with the presence of the Holy Spirit; adorn them with the ornaments of thy grace;

sanctify us wholly in spirit, and soul, and body; and preserve us blameless to the coming and kingdom of our Lord. Amen.

Hymn.

Sermon.

Prayer :

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Let thy gospel, O Lord, come to us, not in word only, but in power and in the Holy Ghost; that we may be guided unto all truth, and also may be strengthened unto all obedience and enduring of thy will with joyfulness; that we may abound in the works of faith and the labor of love, and the patience of hope, and so may be made meet to be partakers of thy heavenly inheritance.

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Hymn.

Benediction or Ascription.

Eleventh Sunday—Morning.

The Doxology.

The MINISTER :

Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of
the ungodly,
Nor standeth in the way of sinners,
Nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.
But his delight is in the law of the Lord ;
And in His law doth he meditate day and night.

PSALM i.

Prayer :

Almighty and Eternal God, hidden from all eyes, but near to all human hearts in all their necessities and all their hopes and fears, to-day, when the bustle of life is hushed, may we draw near to thee and find that our true life is in thee. Because so much of our life is lived in that which is outward and changeable, our thoughts of thee are often and too much as if thou wert a God afar off, unknown and unfelt, as thou art unseen. But in all that thou hast made us to be and know and feel, in all our experience of life, thy thought is revealed to our thought, and in the revelation of thyself we desire to feel that thou who art a spirit art

ever present to our spirit. Help us then to worship thee now and always in spirit and in truth.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Our Father, who art in heaven, etc.

The Creed.

The Psalter.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn or Anthem.

Prayer :

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who hast made the church thy dwelling-place, and chosen it as thy rest for ever, and hast taught us in thy word not to forsake the assembling of ourselves together; regard in thy mercy, we beseech thee, us thy servants, who meet this day in thy holy place. Manifest thyself unto us, and bless unto us all thine ordinances, so that our worship may prepare us both to serve thee now, and to glorify thee hereafter in thine eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

O Lord our God, eternal and almighty Father, we acknowledge and confess before thy holy majesty that we are miserable sinners; unable of ourselves to do that which is good; transgressing daily, and in many ways, thy holy commandments, and by thy just judgment deserving of condemnation and death.

We are deeply grieved, O Lord, for having offended against thee; we condemn both ourselves and our sins with unfeigned penitence; we seek refuge in thy mercy, and humbly entreat thee to help us in our misery.

Be pleased, O most gracious God, Father of mercies, to have compassion on us, and for the sake of Jesus Christ thy Son to pardon all our sins. Grant unto us also, and increase in us from day to-day, the grace of thy Holy Spirit, that acknowledging and lamenting our iniquities, we may renounce them with our whole heart, and may bring forth the fruits of holiness and righteousness, which are well-pleasing in thy sight.

Blessed be thy name, O Lord, that, according to the comforting assurance of thy word, thou dost forgive the sins of all who truly repent, who believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, and are resolved to walk in newness of life. Grant, we beseech thee, to all such here present the full assurance of pardon and reconciliation, and the peace which passeth all understanding.

Almighty God, who hast redeemed us to thyself with the precious blood of thy dear Son; grant that we may live no longer unto ourselves, but unto Him who died for us and rose again.

Direct us always by thy grace, O merciful God, and lead us continually by thy spirit.

Give us good and holy thoughts, pure, gentle, and peaceable dispositions, and entire resignation to thy will, a perfect love to thee, and a sincere charity towards all mankind.

Wean our hearts from the vanity of this world, and give us grace to have them always lifted up to heaven where our treasure is; so that watching and praying without ceasing, and living in temperance, righteousness, and piety, we may pass our days in peace, waiting for the glorious return of our Saviour; and that when He shall come to judge the world, we may appear before thee without confusion, and without fear.

Almighty God, our Father and Preserver, who of thy goodness hast watched over us during the past night, and brought us to this day, strengthen and guard us by thy spirit, we beseech thee, that we may spend it wholly in thy service, seeking thy glory, and the salvation of our fellow-men. And even as thou sheddest the beams of the sun upon the earth to give light unto our bodies, so do thou illuminate our souls with the brightness of thy spirit, to guide us in the paths of holy obedience.

O God, hear us; reject not the supplications of thy servants, but grant us the things we have asked of thee, and all others which are necessary for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

O God, who hast taught us to make supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks for all

men, we humbly beseech thee to receive these our prayers, which we offer to thy divine majesty.

Almighty God, King of saints, who hast chosen Zion for thy habitation and thy rest forever; we beseech thee on behalf of thy Church, that it may please thee to protect it everywhere, and to increase and sanctify it more and more; to remove the errors, scandals and divisions which desolate it, and to reunite all Christians in the bonds of truth, piety and peace.

We commend to thee this congregation, beseeching thee to bless all our people, and to cause all Christian graces to flourish among us.

And forasmuch as thou willest that all men should be saved and come to the knowledge of the truth, grant that such as are still strangers to the knowledge of thee, and sunk in the darkness of ignorance and error, may be illuminated by the light of thy Gospel, and led into the way of salvation.

We pray thee for all whom thou hast appointed pastors and ministers in thy Church. Endue them with thy Spirit, that they may fulfil their ministry with fidelity and zeal, and labor effectually for the conversion and salvation of souls.

Send forth faithful laborers into thy harvest; and give thy grace to those who are preparing to serve thee in the ministry; pour down the healthful influences of thy Spirit upon all universities and schools of learning, and cause to reign in them that fear of thee which is the beginning of wisdom.

We entreat thee to bless all magistrates and governors, and to grant them the daily increase of thy good Spirit, that, with true faith acknowledging thy Son, our Saviour, to be King of kings and Lord of lords, they may exalt thy rule, and so govern the people, that, being kept in peace and quietness, they may serve thee in all godliness and honesty.

God of all comfort, we commend to thy mercy all those whom thou art pleased to visit with any cross or tribulation; the nations who are afflicted with famine, pestilence or war; those of our brethren who suffer persecution for the sake of the Gospel; all such as are in danger by sea or land, and all persons oppressed with poverty, sickness, or any other distress of body or sorrow of mind. We pray particularly for the sick and afflicted members of this church, and for those who desire to be remembered in our prayers [and for any such known to ourselves, whom we name in our hearts before thee]. May it please thee to show them thy fatherly kindness, and to deliver them out of all their troubles; above all, grant them the consolations of which they have need; dispose them to patience and resignation, and make their afflictions promote the salvation of their souls.

O Lord most High, we give thee thanks for all thy faithful servants, who, having witnessed in their lives a good confession, have left the light of their example to shine before thy people on earth. Mercifully grant that by thy fatherly blessing we may be enabled to follow them in all virtuous and godly living, and that

hereafter we may be united with them in thy heavenly kingdom.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Most gracious God, in whom alone dwelleth all fullness of light and wisdom, illuminate our minds, we beseech thee, by thy Holy Spirit, in the true understanding of thy Word. Give us grace to receive it with reverence, humility and faith unfeigned. Grant that it may lead us to put our whole trust in thee alone, and so faithfully to serve thee, that by our godly lives we may edify our brethren and glorify thy holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn.

Sermon.

Prayer :

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

We thank thee, O Lord, that we have now been permitted to hear and meditate on thy Holy Word; and we beseech thee that its lessons may be fixed in our memories, and impressed upon our hearts, and that they may bring forth in our lives the peaceable fruits of righteousness to the glory of thy holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn.

Benediction or Ascription.

Eleventh Sunday—Afternoon or Evening.

The Doxology.

The MINISTER :

It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord,
And to sing praises unto thy name, O Most High :
To show forth thy loving-kindness in the morning,
And thy faithfulness every night,
For thou, Lord, hast made me glad through thy work ;
I will triumph in the works of thy hands.
O Lord, how great are thy works !
And thy thoughts are very deep.—PSALM xcii.

Prayer :

O God, Light of the hearts that see thee, and Life of the souls that love thee, and Strength of the thoughts that seek thee ; from whom to be turned away is to fall, to whom to be turned is to rise, and in whom to abide is to stand fast forever ; grant us now thy grace and blessing, as we are here assembled to offer up our common supplications ; and though we are unworthy to approach thee, or to ask anything of thee at all, vouchsafe to hear and to answer us, for the sake of our great High Priest and Advocate, Jesus Christ.

O most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who pardonest all such as truly repent and turn to thee; we humbly confess our sins and implore thy mercy. We have not loved thee with a pure heart fervently, neither have we loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not done justly, nor loved mercy, nor walked humbly with thee, our God. Our thoughts have been evil and vain. Our members have been the instruments of unrighteousness to sin, and we have dishonored thee with our bodies and our spirits which are thine.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Our Father who art in heaven, etc.

The Creed.

The Psalter.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn or Anthem.

Prayer :

O God, who hast commanded us to make prayers and supplications for all men, we beseech thee graciously to receive the petitions which we now present unto thee.

Let the Sun of righteousness shine upon all lands, and the day-spring from on high visit those who sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death. Let the people praise thee, O Lord; let all the people praise thee. Let all kings fall down before thee, and all nations serve thee. Let incense and a pure offering be offered unto thy name, from the rising of the sun unto the going down of the same, and let the whole earth be filled with thy glory.

Remember, O Lord, thy Holy and Apostolic Church. Peace be within her walls, and prosperity within her palaces, and may they prosper that love her. Save thy people, and bless thine inheritance; feed them also, and lift them up forever. Build thou the waste places, and repair the desolations of many generations; and cause thy power and thy glory to be seen in thy sanctuary as in the days of old.

Remember, O Lord, all who bear rule in thy Church, who rightly divide the word of truth; and let none be ashamed who minister at thy holy altar.

Remember, O Lord, those who love the beauty of thy house and seek its welfare, who do good deeds for thy Church, and who remember the poor. Repurchase them with rich and heavenly gifts. Render to them, instead of earthly things, the heavenly; instead

of temporal, the eternal; instead of corruptible, the incorruptible; and do thou increase their number here and everywhere.

Remember, O Lord, the whole body of the people, all those present before thee, and those absent for a reasonable cause; and pour down upon this church the continual dew of thy blessing.

Remember, O Lord, in thy mercy, the sons and daughters of affliction. Hear them in the day of trouble, and let the name of the God of Jacob defend them. Send them help from thy sanctuary, and strengthen them out of Zion. Care thou for the widows, protect the orphans, relieve the destitute, heal the sick, comfort the bereaved, strengthen the aged. Sanctify and support the dying; may thine everlasting arms be around them; may thy good angels minister to them; and, absent from the body, may they be present with the Lord.

Be thou with the travelers by sea and by land, and when they cry unto thee in their distress do thou mercifully send them help and deliverance.

Let thy blessing be on all our kindred and friends; and receive thou our thanks for all dear to us, and for the redeemed of all ages, who are at rest with thee.

Hasten the coming and kingdom of thy Christ, that the whole creation which groaneth under the bondage of corruption may be delivered, and we, with all thy saints departed, may receive the adoption, even the redemption, of our bodies.

Honor and praise be given to thee, O Lord God

Almighty, for all thy mercy and loving kindness shown unto thy people, in that thou hast chosen them in Christ before the foundation of the world. Continual thanks be given to thee for creating us after thine own image; for redeeming us when we were lost with the precious blood of thy beloved Son; for sanctifying us with thy Holy Spirit; for helping and succoring us in all our necessities; for saving us from dangers of body and soul; for comforting us with thy fatherly pity in our tribulations; for sparing us so long and giving us so large a time of repentance.

These benefits, O most merciful Father, we have received of thy goodness alone. And we beseech thee, for thy dear Son's sake, to grant us always thy Holy Spirit, whereby we may continually grow in thankfulness towards thee. Let us not lack anything, O Father, without which we cannot serve thee; but bless us in all the works of our hands, that we may not be burdensome, but rather helpful to others. And whatsoever in thy providence thou sendest, teach us to be heartily content with thy good will and pleasure.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

These our prayers and praises we present through Jesus Christ, thy Son, who liveth and reigneth with thee, the Father, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end.

O God, whose inspiration giveth understanding, and who didst bestow upon thy servants of old gifts of wisdom and knowledge and utterance; be pleased, so

to guide and direct the hearts and lips of us thy servants who are here assembled before thee, that our speaking and hearing may be to our edification and profit, to the increase of our knowledge and faith and obedience, and to our comfort and growth in grace, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn.

Sermon.

Prayer :

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

O thou that dwellest in unapproachable light, keep us thy servants during the darkness and silence of the night from all evil, whether of the body or the soul; for we know not what enemies and dangers encompass us; and, when the night and darkness of this life are passed away, grant that we may awake to behold the light of thine eternal glory in the kingdom of heaven, with all thy saints, through Him that loved us and hath redeemed us with His precious blood, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn.

Benediction or Ascription.

Twelfth Sunday—Morning.

The Doxology.

The MINISTER :

Seek ye the Lord while He may be found,
Call ye upon Him while He is near :
Let the wicked forsake his way,
And the unrighteous man his thoughts :
And let him return unto the Lord, and He will have
mercy upon him ;
And to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.
ISAIAH, ch. 55.

Prayer :

O God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the mighty God, who art blessed for evermore, we thy people and the sheep of thy pasture draw near to thee with reverence and godly fear.

Look down from heaven, in thy tender love, on us approaching thee through thine anointed, and sanctify our souls and bodies by thy Holy Spirit, and strengthen our infirmity, that our prayers may go up before thee as incense, and be accepted as a sweet savor, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

O most merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess that we have sinned against heaven and in thy sight, and are not worthy to be called thy children. We have gone astray from thee like lost sheep, and have walked in counsels of our own. We have known to do good, but we have not done it; we have named the name of Christ, but have not departed from iniquity.

We repent, O Lord, and are sorry for our sins. We especially bewail before thee those things which are the present burden of our heart and conscience. We cannot stand before thee as our Judge, but we come to thee as our Saviour, hoping in thy mercies, which are more than can be numbered.

Forsake us not, O God, who put our trust in thee. Remember not against us former transgressions, but remember thy tender mercies and thy loving kindnesses, which have been ever of old. And as thou wast ever merciful to thine ancient people, as often as they in penitence turned unto thee, so do thou show the like mercy unto us, with whom thou hast made a better covenant, confirmed and sealed with the blood of thy dear son.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Our Father, who art in heaven, etc.

The Creed.

The Psalter.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn or Anthem.

Prayer :

Blessed be thy name, O Lord, that thou dost, through the ordinances of thy church, seal to thy people the remission of their sins; wherefore we beseech thee to grant to all here present who truly repent, and are resolved to walk in a new life, the comfortable assurance that their transgressions are forgiven, and to fill them with the peace that cometh from above.

O God, who hast chosen us to salvation, through sanctification of the Spirit, and belief of the truth; grant that, pardoned through Christ, and risen with Him, we may have our afflictions set upon things above, and may overcome the world with the victory of faith.

Take away from us, whatever is depraved and perverse, whatever is contrary to salvation, whatever is hurtful to the soul, and whatever is displeasing to thee.

From the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eye, and

the pride of life, good Lord, deliver us ; and strengthen us, by the grace of the Holy Spirit, to fight the good fight of faith, to endure hardness as good soldiers of Jesus Christ, to rule our bodies by temperance and our spirits by meekness, and to glorify thee both with body and spirit which thou hast redeemed.

O thou great Master and Lord, whose are all things in heaven and earth, and who givest to every one as it seemeth good in thy sight ; grant us grace so to use the talents which thou hast committed to us for a season, that when the Lord shall return to reckon with His servants, we may be enabled to give in our account with joy, and not with grief.

O Almighty God, whose eternal providence is over all thy works, we beseech thee to help and deliver us thy servants in all time of our tribulation and adversity, and also in all time of our prosperity, that we be not overwhelmed with despondency and fear, or lifted up with presumption and pride ; but that enjoying thy bounties with humility and thankfulness, and bearing thy chastening with faith and hope, we may endure unto the end ; and having finished the work thou hast given us to do, may, through thy mercy, enter into the joy of our Lord.

O God, who hast chosen Zion as thy rest forever, and hast promised abundantly to bless her provision, and satisfy her poor with bread, to clothe her priests with salvation, and to cause her saints to shout aloud with joy ; grant that, through the ordinances of thy Church, we may receive out of Christ's fulness abun-

dant grace; and being thus nourished by thy word and sacraments, may be built up unto everlasting life.

O God, who hast taught us to make supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks for all men, we humbly beseech thee to receive these our prayers which we offer to thy divine majesty. Thou hast made of one blood all nations, and we pray for the peace of the whole world, and the salvation of all men. Look in pity upon thine ancient people, whose are the fathers, and of whom according to the flesh Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour came; and have mercy upon all who are in bondage to heathen superstition, and bring them home, blessed Lord, to thy flock, that they may be saved among the remnant of the true Israelites.

We pray especially for the good estate of thy Church; that the divisions which desolate thine heritage may be healed; that what is wanting anywhere may be supplied; and that every plant that is not of thy planting may be rooted up.

We pray for all pastors and ministers of thy word, that they may take heed to themselves and to all the flocks over which the Holy Ghost hath made them overseers, to feed the Church of Christ which He hath purchased with His blood, that when the chief Shepherd shall appear, they may receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away.

We pray for this congregation, that those who bear office may be ensamples to the flock; that the young

may abide in Christ, and be spared for lives of piety and usefulness; that those in middle age may be strong for the Lord and valiant for the right; and that those advanced in years may have bodily comfort and joy in the Holy Ghost, and finally a good end, and an abundant entrance into rest.

We pray for the poor and needy, the desolate and the oppressed, the widow and the orphan, the weak and the bowed down; beseeching thee to remember them in mercy, and to visit them in thy compassion.

We pray for those who mourn, that they may be comforted; for those who suffer pain and anguish, that they may be relieved; for those in sickness, that they may be healed, and may again praise thee in the sanctuary (and for any such known to ourselves whom we name in our hearts before thee); and especially we commend to thee the dying, entreating thee to be with them in that last hour when heart and flesh do faint and fail, to cleanse their souls in the blood of Christ, and to receive them to thy rest.

O thou who art the confidence of all the ends of the earth, and of them that are far off upon the sea, we commend to thine almighty protection all travellers, sojourners, and strangers. Go with them who journey, and grant to them who are far from their homes that they may revisit them, in thy good time, in peace.

O thou who art the God of all the families of the earth, we beseech thee to bless all our friends and kindred, and to grant that we may ever be knit together in the bonds of mutual love, and, above all,

that we may be members together of the mystical body of Christ.

And O God, our heavenly Father, with whom do live the spirits of the just made perfect, we give thee thanks for all the faithful, and for all near and dear to us, who have been washed from their sins in the blood of the Lamb, and who, having accomplished their warfare, are at rest with thee.

We pray for each other, all for each, that thou wouldst bless us outwardly in our bodies, inwardly in our souls, and grant us good success in all our labors, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Almighty God, Father of mercies, and Giver of all good, we render thanks unto thy great name for thy loving kindness and tender mercy toward us and all mankind.

We praise thee for the succession of day and night, summer and winter, seed-time and harvest, and that thou hast never left thyself without witness among men, but hast done good to all, sending rain from heaven and fruitful seasons, and filling men's hearts with food and gladness. We thank thee for our being, our reason, our health, our friends, our food and clothing, for thy care over us from day to day; for thou hast been ever with us through the past time of our lives, and hast brought us safely to this hour.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Above all, with thy whole Church throughout the world, we adore thine unfathomable love in the re-

demption of mankind by our Lord Jesus Christ; for whom and by whom we humbly offer unto thee most hearty thanks and praise.

We bless thee for the descent of the Holy Ghost, and for thy Church filled with His presence; for our baptism and Christian instruction, and for the great hope of everlasting life.

For all these things glory be to thee, O Lord God Almighty; blessed be the name of the Lord, forever and ever. Amen.

Hymn.

Sermon.

Prayer :

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

O God, who didst speak in times past unto the fathers by the prophets, and hast in these last days spoken to us by thy Son from heaven, give us, we pray thee, humble, teachable, and obedient hearts, that we may receive what He hath revealed, and do always what He hath commanded. And as man liveth not by bread alone, but by every word of God, grant that we may ever hunger after this heavenly food, that it may be to us sweeter than honey, and more to be desired than gold, and that we may find in it daily provision on our way to eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Grant, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that the words which we have heard this day with our outward ears may, through thy grace, be so grafted inwardly in our hearts, that they may bring forth in us the fruit of good living, to the honor and praise of thy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Hymn.

Benediction or Ascription.

Twelfth Sunday—Afternoon or Evening.*The Doxology.*

The MINISTER :

Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

Blessed is the man unto whom the Lord imputeth not iniquity,

And in whose spirit there is no guile.

Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice ye righteous :

And shout for joy, all ye that are upright in heart.

PSALM xxxii., 1, 2, 11.

Prayer :

O God, thou searcher of hearts, in whom there is no darkness, and from whom our sins cannot be covered, we humble ourselves before thy holy majesty and implore thy mercy. We confess that we have been foolish, rebellious, deceived; we have been unthankful for thy mercies, distrustful of thy promises, disobedient to thy commands, and, by our manifold wickedness, have provoked thee to cast us off from thy favor and fellowship. But, O Lord, we return unto thee, from whom we have so grievously departed, and implore

thy pardon for all our sins and folly. Forgive us, we beseech thee; forgive thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with the most precious blood of thy dear Son; create in us clean and contrite hearts, and grant us thy heavenly grace, that we turn not again to folly; help us heartily to forgive others as we beseech thee to forgive us; and enable us to serve thee henceforth in a new life, to the glory of thy holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hast no pleasure in the death of a sinner, but rather that he turn from his wickedness and live, grant unto thy people peace, through thy word of pardon, pronounced unto them in thy name; and grant us the inspiration of thy Holy spirit, that we may offer to thee true and acceptable worship; that for the time to come we may serve and please thee in righteousness and true holiness; and that, at the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, we may be found of Him in peace unto salvation.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Our Father, who art in heaven, etc.

The Creed.

The Psalter.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

Hymn or Anthem.

Prayer :

Almighty God, who hast ordered our lot and appointed the bounds of our habitation, grant us grace to occupy contentedly and faithfully the stations which thou in thy providence hast assigned to us. May we be prudent in ordering our affairs, industrious in performing our duties, moderate in our desires, innocent in our enjoyments, careful in redeeming the time, just and compassionate to all with whom we have to do, grateful to friends and benefactors, generous and forgiving to all who injure us.

O God, who, by the example of thy dear Son, hast warned us that we should work thy works while it is day, before the night cometh, when no man can work; keep us from sloth and idleness, and from the misuse of those talents which thou hast committed to our trust. Enable us to perform the several duties of our state and calling with such care and diligence that our work may never be reprov'd in thy sight; and forasmuch as the needful business of this life is apt to steal away our hearts from thee, give us grace to remember that we have a Master in heaven, and to do everything

in singleness of heart, as unto thee and not unto men, that of thee we may receive the reward of the inheritance which thou hast promised in thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Blessed Lord, who hast given us a new commandment that we should love one another, and hast taught us that where envy and strife are, there is confusion and every evil work; give us grace that we may be kindly affectioned one to another, and that there may be no schism among us. Enable us to put away all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and evil-speaking, with all malice; and grant that in honor preferring one another, we may walk in love, even as thou Lord, didst love us and give thyself for us.

O God, who has taught us to make supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks for all men, hear these our intercessions which we offer to thy divine majesty.

Grant, we beseech thee, that the Gospel of thy grace may speedily be preached among all nations, that the kingdoms of this world may become the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ.

We pray for thy holy church upon earth, that, guided with thy perpetual governance, she may walk under thy guidance in times of quiet and in times of trouble; that those who love her may abide in her peace, and those who depart from her may one day come back to her; and that when all sorrows are taken away, we may be refreshed with the joys of an eternal resurrection.

We pray for those who minister in holy things. Endue them with the spirit of power, and of love, and of a sound mind; and so make thy gifts to abound in them that they may glorify thee and edify thy Church, and at the last enter into the joy of their Lord.

Regard with thy compassion those who wander in doubt and uncertainty amid the darkness of this world, and all who are hardened through the deceitfulness of sin; give them grace to come to themselves; the will and the power to return unto thee; and the loving welcome of thy forgiveness.

We pray for all rulers, judges, and magistrates, that thou wouldest give the spirit of wisdom to those to whom thou hast given the authority of government; and for all ranks and conditions of men, that all may serve their generation in thy fear.

We pray for all in sickness and distress (and for any such known to ourselves whom we name in our hearts before thee); that thou wouldest give strength to the weary; aid to the sufferers; comfort to the sad; and help to all in tribulation.

We pray for the dying, that the souls of thy servants may be released in peace, and that, departing from this world, they may live forevermore with thee.

And O, most loving Father, we remember with undying affection those near and dear to us whom death has taken away, and who rest from their earthly labors and sleep in Jesus. United still in one household of faith and love, help us to live in the blessed hope, that when the day of God shall dawn and the

shadows flee away, we shall meet with them and all thy redeemed in thy presence where there is fulness of joy.

We magnify thee, we praise thee, we worship thee ; we give thanks unto thee for thy good providence, for all the blessings of the present life, and all the hopes of a better life to come. We thank thee for the preservation of our lives, and the bountiful supply of our returning wants, for health of body and soundness of mind, for strength and skill to labor in our several callings, and for that portion of earthly good which thou hast bestowed upon us. We thank thee for loving parents, for faithful pastors and teachers, for benefactors never to be forgotten, for kind friends, for brethren of one mind with us in the Lord, and for all who have helped us onwards in our heavenward way.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Above all, we praise and bless thee for thy Son our Saviour, for thy Spirit our Sanctifier, for the ministration of thy holy angels, for the example of thy saints and martyrs, and for the hope of an eternal weight of glory.

Let the memory of thy goodness, we beseech thee, fill our hearts with joy and thankfulness unto our life's end ; and let these, our thanksgivings, go up with acceptance before thy throne, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn.

*Sermon.**Prayer :**Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.*

Enlighten us by thy light, our Father, in all that concerns the truth of thy nature and thy will. Drive away by thy light not only the darkness which is in us by nature, but that darkness which is spread abroad from man to man, and that light which was light to other ages and has become darkness. If the light that is in us be darkness, how great is that darkness. May we fear to attribute to thee anything of our own selfishness or waywardness or evil or disregard of perfect truth and justice; and may we humbly seek to know thee as thou hast revealed thyself in Him who has revealed thee as our Father. May we, laying aside what we have vainly learned or imagined of thy nature, learn to worship thee in spirit and in truth. With all saints, with all whose experience has been of other than earthly good, who have tasted and seen that thou art good, who have discovered that thy judgments are blessings, may we attain to the assurance that thy love passeth knowledge and is great beyond our belief or hope, that it is not limited by man's thoughts of it, but is more and greater than can be measured. Thy mercy is in the heavens, thy faithfulness reacheth unto the clouds, thy righteousness is like the great mountains, thy judgments are a great deep. O Lord, thou preservest man and beast.

How precious is thy loving kindness, O Lord, therefore the sons of men put their trust under the shadow of thy wings. They shall be abundantly satisfied with the goodness of thy house, and thou shalt make them to drink of the rivers of thy pleasures. For with thee is the fountain of life; in thy light shall we see light.

God of all grace, and fountain of all wisdom, we humbly beseech thee to illuminate our minds and hearts, that we may know thy truth and approve the things that are excellent. Let us no longer be children in understanding, or be carried about with divers and strange doctrines, ever learning, yet never able to come to the truth. Grant that we may be perfect in Christ Jesus, thy word dwelling in us richly in all wisdom and spiritual understanding. Amen.

Hymn.

Benediction or Ascription.

Thirteenth Sunday—Morning.

The Doxology.

The MINISTER :

Make a joyful noise unto God, all the earth :
 Sing forth the glory of His name :
 Make His praise glorious.
 Say unto God, how terrible are thy works !
 Through the greatness of thy power shall thine ene-
 mies submit themselves unto thee.
 All the earth shall worship thee,
 And shall sing unto thee ;
 They shall sing to thy name.—PSALM lxvi, 1, 2, 3, 4.

Prayer :

O Lord our God, of boundless might and incomprehensible glory, measureless compassion and infinite love to man ; look down on us and on this holy place, and show unto us the riches of thy mercies and compassions ; and so make us worthy, with a pure heart and a broken spirit, with hallowed lips and with a countenance that needeth not to be ashamed, to call upon thee ; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,

maker of all things, judge of all men; we acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we, from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us.

We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us; the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father. For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in a new life, to the honor and glory of thy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Almighty and most merciful God, who willest not the souls of sinners to perish, but their faults; pour out upon us the forgiveness which we entreat, that through thy mercy we may pass from mourning into joy.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Our Father who art in heaven, etc.

The Creed.

The Psalter.

Hymn.

Scripture Lesson.

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Hymn or Anthem.

Prayer :

Almighty God, the fountain of all holiness, who by thy word and spirit dost conduct all thy servants in the way of peace and righteousness; grant unto us so truly to repent of our sins, so carefully to reform our errors, so diligently to watch over all our actions, so industriously to perform all our duty, that we may never willingly transgress thy holy laws; but that it may be the work of our lives to obey thee, the joy of our souls to please thee, the satisfaction of all our hopes and the perfection of all our desires to dwell with thee, in the holiness of thine everlasting kingdom.

Make us perfect in Christ Jesus; out of His fulness may we all receive, and rest in Him for evermore.

May His passion be our deliverance; His wounds our healing; His cross our redemption; and His death our life.

With His righteousness may we be clothed; by His spirit may we be sanctified; in His blood may we be cleansed; and to His image may we be conformed.

May we abide in Him as branches in the vine; may He be in us the hope of glory, and unto us all in all.

As He died, may we die unto sin ; as He rose again, may we rise unto a new life ; suffering with Him here, may we reign with Him hereafter, and bearing now His cross, may we hereafter wear His crown.

O God, thou King eternal, immortal and invisible, the blessed and only Potentate, may we, who cannot see thee with the eye of flesh, behold thee steadfastly with the eye of faith, that we faint not under the manifold trials and temptations of this mortal life, but may endure as seeing thee who art invisible ; that after we have done and suffered thy will upon the earth, we may enjoy the vision of God in heaven, and may be made partakers of those unspeakable joys which thou hast promised to them that love thee and the appearing of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Almighty and everlasting God, we come to thee through Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, and we entreat thee, for His merits, to receive our intercessions, and to help our infirmities by thy Holy Spirit.

We humbly beseech thee, gracious Father, for thy Holy Catholic Church ; fill it with all truth, and in all truth with all peace ; where it is corrupt, purify it ; where it is in error, reform it ; where it is right, strengthen and confirm it ; where it is in want, furnish it ; where it is divided and rent asunder, heal thou the breaches of it, O thou Holy One of Israel.

We pray for all pastors and ministers of thy church, that, being replenished with the truth of Christian doctrine, and endued with innocency of life, they may

rule Christ's flock with diligence and celebrate thy worship to thy glory.

We pray for all estates of men in thy Church, that every member of the same, in his vocation and ministry, may truly and devoutly serve thee.

We pray for our country, that thou wouldst grant us peaceful times and fruitful seasons; that thou wouldst prosper our industries and defend us from our enemies; for our universities and schools, that the young may be taught that fear of the Lord which is the beginning of wisdom; for all who remember the poor and do good works among thy people, that their hands may be strengthened, and their prayers and alms come up for a memorial before thee.

We pray for this community and for this church, and for every family and household, that true religion may flourish in this place; for husbands and wives, that they may live together as heirs of the grace of life, and be helpers of each other's faith and joy; for parents, that they may bring up their children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord; and for children, that they may obey their parents in all things.

We pray for all travellers by land or water, that they may be brought safely on their way; for all in danger, that they may be delivered, and praise thee for thy goodness and thy wonderful works toward them; for all widows and orphans, that thou wouldst be their stay; for all prisoners and captives, that thou wouldst pity them; for those in sickness and sorrow, that thou wouldst heal and comfort them; for those

in doubt and fear, that thou wouldst relieve them; for the dying, that thou wouldst be their guide even unto death, and afterwards receive them to glory.

We pray for all who have erred and strayed from thy ways, that they may have the grace of true repentance; and for all who have striven to do thy will and keep the faith, that they may persevere unto life eternal.

We remember before thee, O God, with grateful hearts, our brethren and sisters, who from the beginning of the world have pleased thee in their several generations, and are now at rest with thee in paradise; and we beseech thee to accomplish the number of thine elect, to prepare us for the second coming of Christ, and to hasten His glorious kingdom, at whose appearing thy saints departed shall be raised, and we shall be changed, and death shall be swallowed up in victory.

Almighty and most merciful Father from whom cometh down every good and perfect gift, we yield thee praise and thanks for all thy mercies.

Thy goodness hath created us, thy bounty hath sustained us, thy fatherly discipline hath chastened and corrected us, thy patience hath borne with us, thy love hath redeemed us.

Give us a heart to love and serve thee, and enable us to show our thankfulness for all the goodness and mercy thou hast conferred by giving up ourselves to thy service, and cheerfully submitting in all things to thy blessed will.

Continue to us, we beseech thee, thy loving kind-

ness, that we may rejoice and be glad in thee all our days. Supply all our need according to thy glorious riches, and make all grace to be multiplied towards us, that we always, having sufficiency in all things, may abound unto every good work. Teach us also to be careful for nothing, but in everything, by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, to make our requests known unto thee; that the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, may keep our hearts and minds through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee, the Father and the Holy Ghost, be glory everlasting.

Almighty and everlasting God, the source of all life and joy, who, by the glad sound of the Gospel, hast called us to have part in thy kingdom and glory, shine into our hearts by thy Word and Spirit, and draw us with the cords of thy constraining grace, that we may heartily choose that good part which shall not be taken away from us, and give all diligence to make our calling and election sure, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn.

Sermon.

Prayer :

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Father of mercies, and God of all comfort, we joy-

fully acknowledge thine infinite goodness in sending to us the day-spring from on high to enlighten our darkness, and guide our feet into the way of peace. We praise thy name for those portions of thy Holy Word of which thou hast made us partakers this day. Grant that they may bring forth fruit unto holiness in our whole life, to the glory of thy name, the edification of our brethren, and the comfort of our souls in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

O Lord Jesus Christ, who hast died for us, that whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with thee; be thou our strength every morning, and our rest when the shadows of the evening are stretched out, O Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn.

Benediction or Ascription.

Thirteenth Sunday—Afternoon or Evening.

The Doxology.

The MINISTER :

Give unto the Lord, O ye sons of the mighty,
 Give unto the Lord glory and strength.
 Give unto the Lord the glory due unto his name;
 Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.
 The Lord sat as King at the flood;
 Yea, the Lord sitteth as King for ever.
 The Lord will give strength unto his people;
 The Lord will bless his people with peace.

PSALM xxix., 1, 2, 10, 11.

Prayer :

Almighty God our heavenly Father, who hast permitted us again to assemble in this house of prayer, give us grace, we humbly beseech thee, to draw near to thee in purity and sincerity of heart, and to offer unto thee the sacrifices of prayer and praise with unfeigned self devotion; and may it please thee to make thyself known to us, and to satisfy us with thy mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Almighty and most merciful Father, who callest the

sinner to forsake his way and to return unto thee that thou mayest have mercy upon him, we humbly acknowledge before thee our manifold sins and shortcomings. We have grievously sinned against thee in thought and word and deed. We have broken thy holy commandments and have departed from thy ways. We have been unthankful for thy mercies, we have despised thy fatherly goodness, we have resisted and grieved thy Holy Spirit. We have not fulfilled the law of Christ that we should bear one another's burdens. We have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done unto others as we would that they should do unto us. We have sought too much our own gain and advantage, and have closed our hearts against our fellow-men, forgetting that we are members of one another.

But thou, Lord, have mercy upon us thy penitent children, and grant us thy forgiveness through Christ Jesus.

Turn us again unto thyself, and suffer us not to fall away from thee, for with thee there is mercy, and thou dost redeem thy people from all their iniquities.

O thou who didst send thy Son Jesus Christ into the world to seek and to save that which was lost, receive us in thy mercy and comfort us with thy salvation.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Our Father who art in heaven, etc.

The Creed.

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Hymn or Anthem.

Prayer :

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thine infinite compassion hast brought us to thyself, and given us peace with thee through Jesus Christ our Lord, grant that with all our heart and soul we may love thee who hast so loved us, and that with all our powers we may show forth thy praise.

Take us, we entreat thee, under thy heavenly guidance and protection; deliver us from all unbelief and hardness of heart, give us a simple and childlike faith in thy goodness and love, and in all things lead and direct us by thy Holy Spirit.

Unite us by a true and living faith to Christ our Saviour, that we may know the fellowship of His sufferings and the power of His resurrection; and grant that, denying ourselves, and following in the footsteps of our Lord, we may grow into His likeness, and be made partakers of His joy.

Kindle in us such love towards our fellow-men that we may live in charity and peace with all the world; and, as Christ pleased not Himself, but gave Himself for us, so grant that we may devote ourselves with cheerfulness and zeal to the service and welfare of our brethren.

O God who art light and in whom is no darkness at all, shine into our minds, we beseech thee, with the knowledge of thyself, and incline our hearts to true understanding. Grant that we may love the laws of thy kingdom, and rejoice in the works which thou hast made, that in thy light we may see light and in thy service find perfect freedom.

Confirm and strengthen in us, O Lord, sincere and upright purposes, foster in us warm and true affections, and give us strength to bring to good effect the holy desires which by thy grace arise in our hearts. When we are tempted strengthen us; when we are weak encourage us; when we are cast down raise us up. Leave us not without thy grace, most merciful God, but make thy work in us perfect, and grant that we may do thee true and faithful service in this world, and may enter at the last into thy eternal peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

O God, the Father of all mankind, who art good to all, and whose tender mercies are over all thy works, hear us as we pray for the well-being of all men, beseeching thee to make thy way known upon earth, and thy saving health among all nations.

Bless abundantly, O Lord, the Church of Christ

which thou hast called out of the world, that she might bring the world to thee; grant to her security and peace, heal her divisions, remove from her all superstition, error, and unbelief, purify her from every stain, and enable her so to follow her blessed Lord that she may abound in good works, and shed over the world the pure light of Christ.

Bless this congregation. Grant that Christ may be manifested in thy people in this place; and as the gospel of peace has entered into our ears, so let all enmity be removed from our hearts and from our conversation, and let there arise to thee unceasingly the daily sacrifice of prayer and thankfulness and of good works.

Remember, O Lord, for good all ministers, pastors, and teachers, all who preach the gospel among the heathen, and all who serve thee in any office in thy Church.

O Father of Lights and Fountain of all knowledge, bless, we beseech thee, all schools, universities, and places of learning, and grant that the light of truth may shine with growing brightness on all men, so that wisdom and knowledge may be the stability of our times.

O God, who dost appoint to every man his work, prosper, we pray thee, the efforts of all who serve thee in science, art, and letters, and of all those who seek to make the lives of thy children brighter and happier and better. And in whatever occupation thy people serve thee faithfully, grant them to know that their labor is not in vain in the Lord.

We remember before thee, O Lord, our brethren who are tried with sickness; entreating thee to increase their faith and patience, to restore them to health, if it be thy will, and to give them a happy issue out of all their troubles.

We remember before thee all physicians, and nurses of the sick, those who have the care of young children, and those who attend the aged and infirm, and we beseech thee to visit them with thy comfort and aid, and to reward them for their work of patience and labor of love.

Have pity on all widows and orphans; succor all who are in danger by sea and land; and have mercy on all prisoners and captives, and on all who are oppressed with labor and toil. Have mercy on those who are tempted, or in darkness, and strengthen them with thy Spirit. Be present with those who are dying, and grant that they may depart in peace, fearing no evil, and live before thee in thy heavenly kingdom.

We remember before thee with grateful hearts, thy faithful servants who have departed this life in thy love and fear. We praise and thank thee for all who have been to us apostles and teachers, for those who have guided and defended us, for those who have loved us and have done us good.

We praise thee, for thy gifts bestowed upon them, and for the rest into which they have entered, whereunto we pray that we also may in due time attain; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Almighty God, whom all thy works throughout all

places of thy dominion praise continually, accept, we pray thee, the thanks which we offer thee for all thy goodness. We praise thee for all the works of thy hands, O thou Creator and Governor of all things. We bless thee, that thou hast created us in thine own image; that thou hast revealed to us thy counsels, and hast made us partakers of thy thoughts, and fellow-workers in thy kingdom. We praise thee, that thou hast never left thyself without a witness in the world, and that thou hast spoken to us at sundry times and in divers manners by thy prophets. Especially we praise thee, that in the fulness of time thou didst send forth thy Son, the brightness of thy glory, and the express image of thy person. We bless thee, that in Him the true light has come into the world to deliver us from darkness, and to lead us into heavenly truth. We praise thee, that in Him we have the forgiveness of our sins; and that thou hast sent us thy Holy Spirit to bear witness with our spirit that we are thy children and heirs of thy kingdom. Thou hast never forsaken us, O God; thou hast made goodness and mercy to follow us; thou hast set open before us the gates of life. Grant, O Lord, that thy grace and loving kindness may dwell forever in our hearts, and that all our life long we may show forth thy praise.

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

Accept, O Lord, the prayers and thanksgivings of thy people; bestow upon us what thou seest to be good for us, and grant that we may know the fulness of the

blessing thou hast given us in the Gospel; according to thine infinite mercy in Jesus Christ. Amen.

Sermon.

Prayer :

Special Prayers or Thanksgivings.

O God, who guidest the meek in judgment, and teachest them thy way, we beseech thee to give unto us thy Holy Spirit, and the wisdom that cometh from above; grant that thy Word may have free course and be glorified; may we receive it, as is meet, with joy and thankfulness, and be strengthened and purified thereby, so that with steadfast faith we may serve thee who art invisible, and abide to our life's end in thy love and fear.

O God, from whom all good things do come, who causest thy sun to rise upon us, and sendest us rain from heaven and fruitful seasons, be pleased to bestow upon us, day by day, what we require. Grant to each of us the strength he needs to accomplish his task; bless the work of our hands, and of our minds, and give us grace to serve thee in health and in sickness, in wealth and in poverty. Sanctify our joys and our trials, and enable us to seek first thy kingdom and righteousness, and to believe that thou wilt add to us all else that is good. Amen.

Hymn.

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