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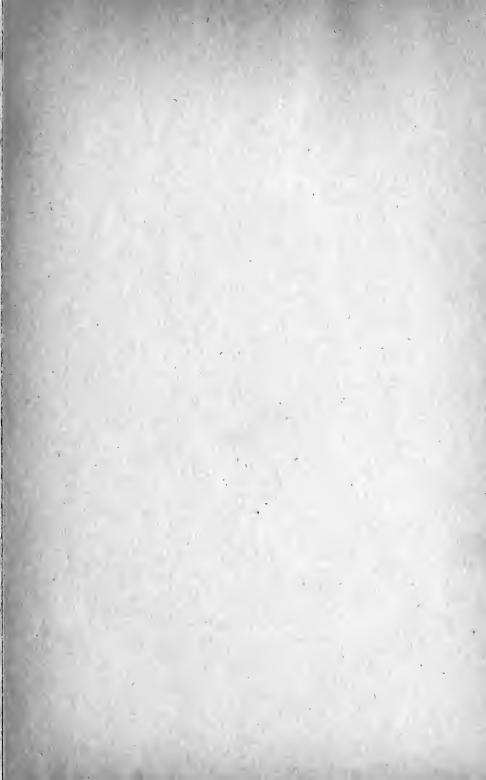
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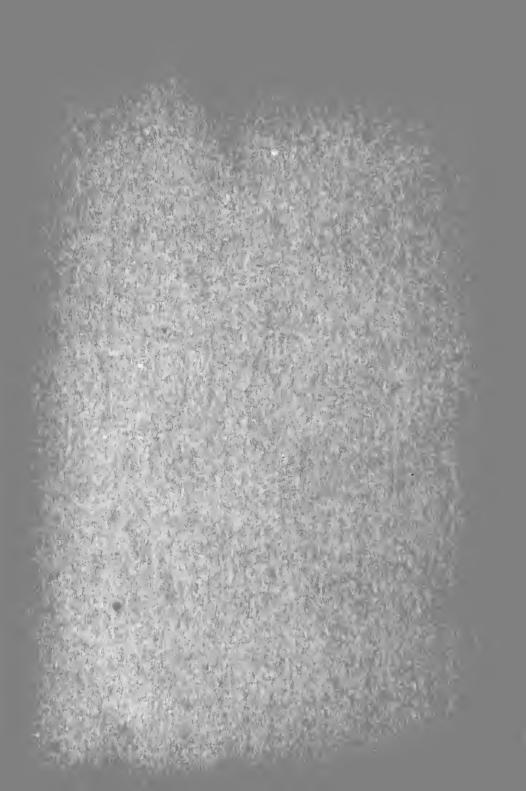
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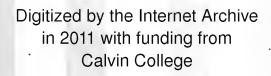
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FOREWORD

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We have delved deeply into the Church Hymnals and have selected those hymns which we feel are peculiarly adapted to this work. However, we have felt that a School cannot live on Church Hymns alone, so we have provided a splendid collection of the works of the more modern writers, the test always being (1) Is it needed? (2) Is it fit? (3) Is it singable?

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If we have provided, as we have tried to provide, a collection of hymns and songs that will add interest and make more effective the musical part of the sessions of the School, we shall be entirely repaid for the thought and effort it has required.

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Make a joyful noise unto Jehovah all ye lands. Serve Jehovah with gladness: Come before His presence with singing.

Know ye that Jehovah, He is God: It is He that hath made us, and we are His;

We are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.

Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, And into His courts with praise:

Give thanks unto Him, and bless His name.

For Jehovah is good; His lovingkindness endureth for ever,

And His faithfulness unto all generations.

The Church School Hymnal

CALL TO WORSHIP

Father, Again in Jesus' Name we Meet



God be With Us



CALL TO WORSHIP



3

Come, Thou Almighty King



As the Sun Doth Daily Rise







6 Heavenly Father, Send Thy Blessing



Hear Us, Bless Us



THE LORD'S DAY

Safely Through Another Week

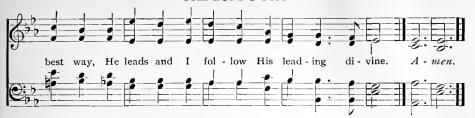


This Day Shall Be God's Day



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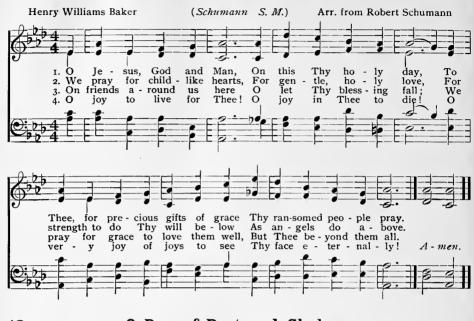


10 The Sweetness of a Thousand Tongues



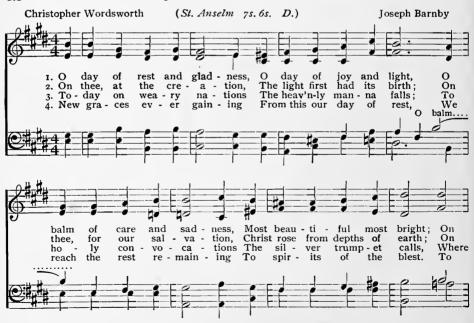
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O Jesus, God and Man



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O Day of Rest and Gladness



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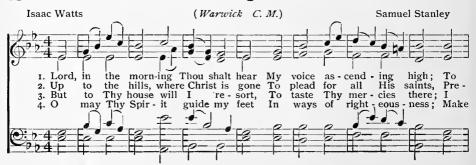
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Still, Still with Thee



15 Lord, in the Morning Thou Shalt Hear







16 When Morning Gilds the Skies



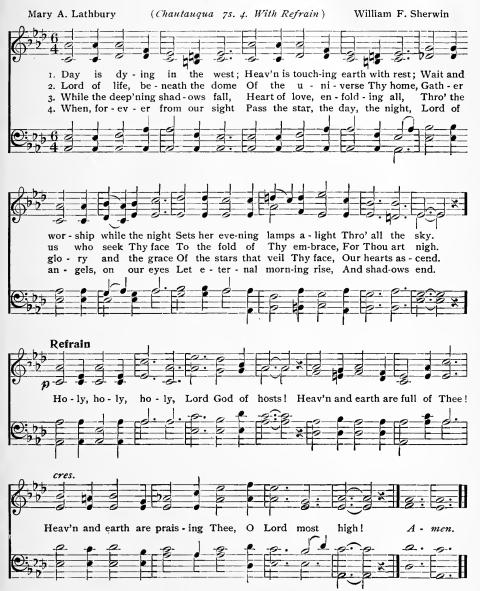
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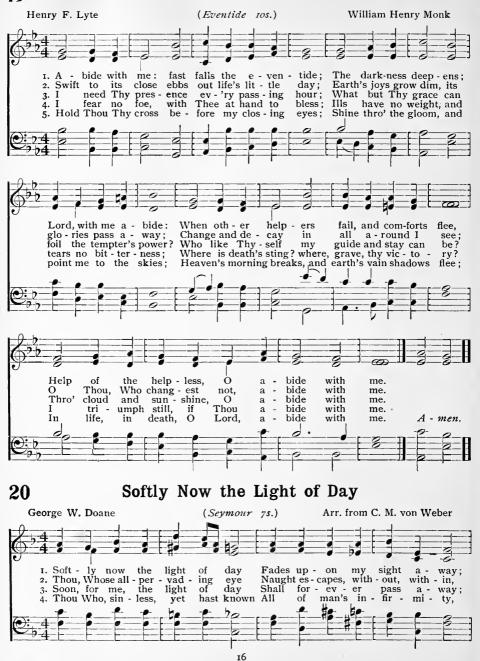
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Abide With Me





17

Now the Day Is Over





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Sun of My Soul



THE CLOSE OF SERVICE

26 God Be with You Till We Meet Again



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On Our Way Rejoicing

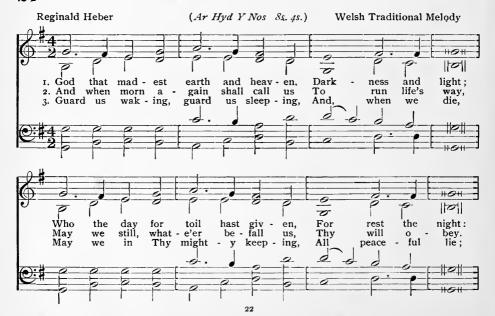


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The Lord Be with Us as We Bend



29 God that Madest Earth and Heaven



THE CLOSE OF SERVICE



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31

O Little Town of Bethlehem



Hark the Bells



Joy to the World!



34 Holy Night! Peaceful Night!



NATIVITY



An Old-Time Carol



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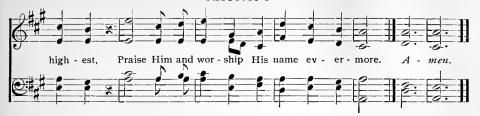
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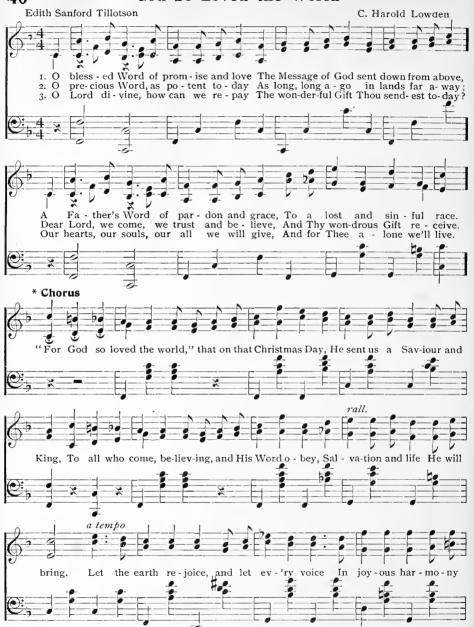
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39 Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne



God So Loved the World



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Our Christmas Pledge





Hail the Holy Night with Song





EPIPHANY

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From the Eastern Mountains







Brightest and Best



Light of the World, We Hail Thee

Rev. J. S. B. Monsell (Light of the World 7s. 6s. D.) the world, we hail The the world, Thy beau - ty Thee Flush - ing the east - ern 1. Light skies; Steals in - to ev - 'ry 2. Light Our spir - its pros - trate fall; This dark-ened land of Thin the world, be - fore the world, il - lum -3. Light of Thee lum -Thine, er shall dark-ness veil Thee A - gain from hu-man glo - ri - fies with du - ty Life's poor - est, hum-blest wor - ship, we a - dore Thee; Thou Light, the Life of ev - ry - thing that's hu - man Be filled with what's di Thee Nev eyes. And part; We wor - ship, we Too long, a - las, with - hold - en, Thou rob - est in Thy splen - dor With Thee is no for - get - ing Till ev - 'ry tongue and na - tion Now spread from shore to shore, The sim - ple ways of men, all Thine hand hath made; Of ev - 'ry tongue and na From sin's gold - en, Shall set on earth no more. ren - der Light back to Thee a - gain. Thy Light, so glad and gold - en, And help-est them to set - ting, Thy sun - shine hath no shade. a - tion Which springs from Love and Thee. ris ing hath no cre -Copyright, 1880, by Scribner & Co.

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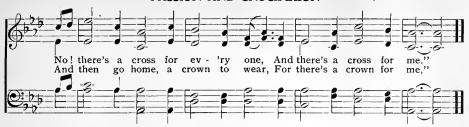
All Glory, Laud and Honor



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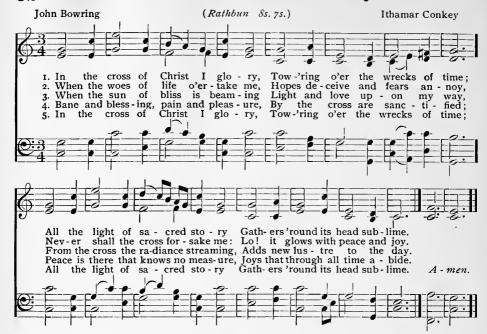
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Beneath the Cross of Jesus

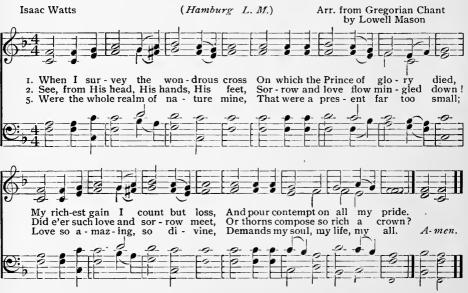


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In the Cross of Christ I Glory



When I Survey the Wondrous Cross



RESURRECTION



Christ Arose!



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In the Garden



Now All the Bells are Ringing



The Message of Spring-time



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Fear Ye Not



RESURRECTION



The Lord of Life is Risen





It Was Love



RESURRECTION

"Hosanna!"



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All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

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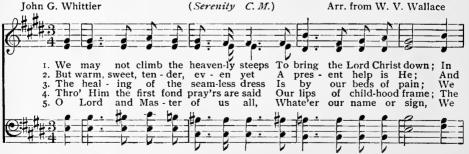
66 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name



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Crown Him with Many Crowns





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Fairest Lord Jesus



Golden Harps are Sounding



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Crown the King



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Jesus Reigns



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THE HOLY SPIRIT

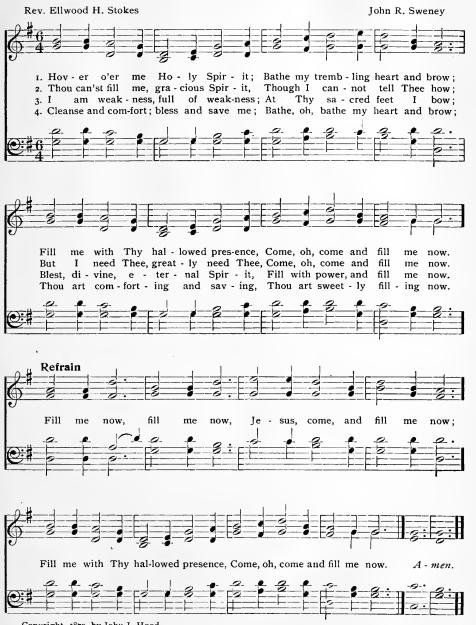
73 Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart



He Dwells With Me



Hover O'er Me, Holy Spirit



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Holy Spirit, Faithful Guide



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Dwell In Me, O Blessed Spirit



THE HOLY TRINITY



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Praise Ye the Father



Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord

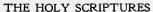


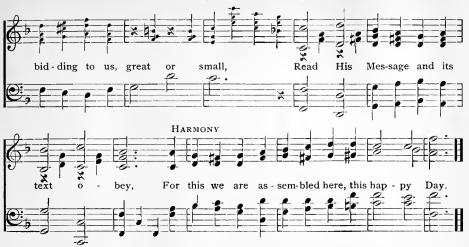
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Read His Message







83 Break Thou the Bread of Life



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Thy Word is Like a Garden, Lord



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Tenderly the Shepherd



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I Need Thee, Precious Jesus



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Just As I Am



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O Jesus, Thou Art Standing



He's Calling to You



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Crown Him or Crucify Him



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Hear His Gentle Voice



Jesus, Lover of My Soul



I Will Remember Your Sins No More



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Saviour, When in Dust to Thee



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LOVE FOR CHRIST

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I Love to Tell the Story



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Jesus is All the World to Me



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O Love that Wilt Not Let Me Go



LOVE FOR CHRIST



There's a Friend so Dear



LOVE FOR CHRIST



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My Jesus, I Love Thee





I'm Always Singing of Jesus



The Name of Jesus



Jesus, My Lord, My God, My All



Come, Let Us Sing of Jesus



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Living for Jesus



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Purer Yet and Purer



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Give of Your Best to the Master





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Make Me a Captive, Lord



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Tell Me, My Saviour



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Nearer, My God, to Thee



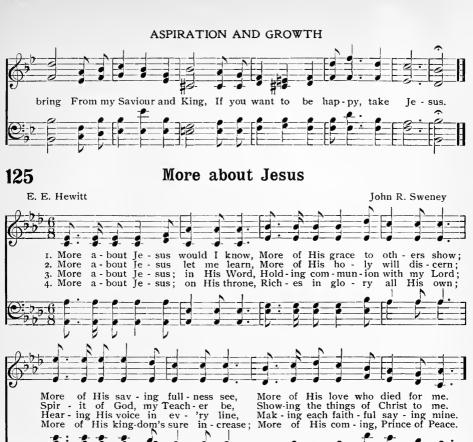
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124 If You Want To Be Happy, Take Jesus



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More of His sav-ing full-ness see, More of His love who died for me.

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Lead On, O King Eternal!



PRAYER AND INTERCESSION

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Hear Our Prayer



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What a Friend



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Just for To-day



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LIGHT AND GUIDANCE



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Tell Me the Old, Old Story



Thou Art My Way



TRUST AND CONFIDENCE

143 This Is My Father's World



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My Lord and I

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Blessed Assurance



Sunshine In the Soul



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It Is Well with My Soul



Peace with Jesus



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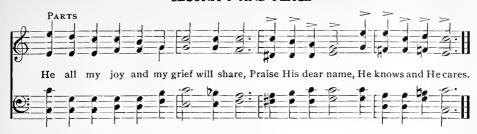
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Somebody Knows and Cares



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Guide Thou Me Home.



God Will Take Care of You



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He Is the Rose of Sharon



How Firm a Foundation

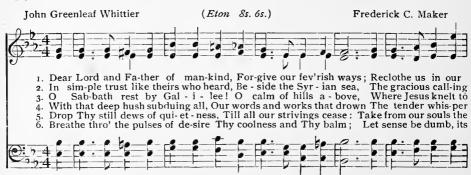


Help Us to Grow Like Thee



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Dear Lord and Father of Mankind



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CONSECRATION AND FAITH



True-hearted, Whole-hearted



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A Hymn of Consecration



All for Jesus



I'll Go Where You Want Me to Go



Draw Me Nearer



Nearer, Still Nearer



CONSECRATION AND FAITH



Jesus, I Live To Thee



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Jesus, I Live To Thee



Galilee, Bright Galilee

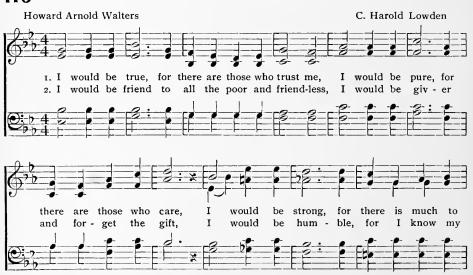


Father of Eternal Grace



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I Would Be True

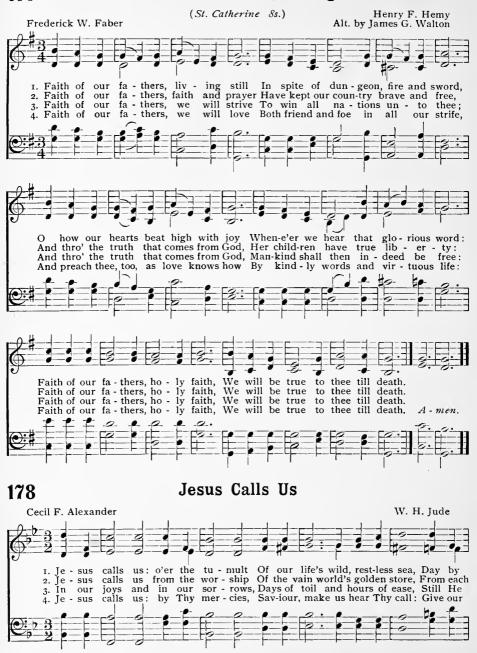


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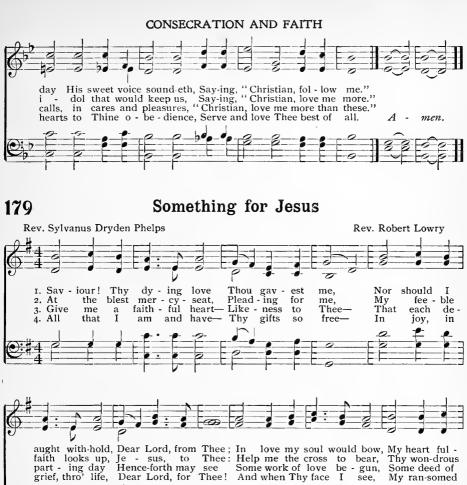
CONSECRATION AND FAITH



Faith of Our Fathers, Living Still



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griet, thro life, Dear Lord, for Thee: And when Thy face 1 see, My ran-somed



fill its vow, Some off-'ring bring Thee now, Something for Thee love de-clare, Some song to raise, or pray'r, Something for Thee kind-ness done, Some wand-'rer sought and won, Something for Thee soul shall be, Thro' all e-ter-ni-ty, Something for Thee.



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Jesus, and Shall It Ever Be



TRIAL AND CONFLICT

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Onward, Christian Soldiers



Stand Up for Jesus



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Stand Firm for the Lord and Right



We March, We March to Victory







Marching Beneath the Banner



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Stop, Look and Listen





Oh, We Are Volunteers



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Here am I; Send Me



Yield Not to Temptation



Christian! Dost Thou See Them?



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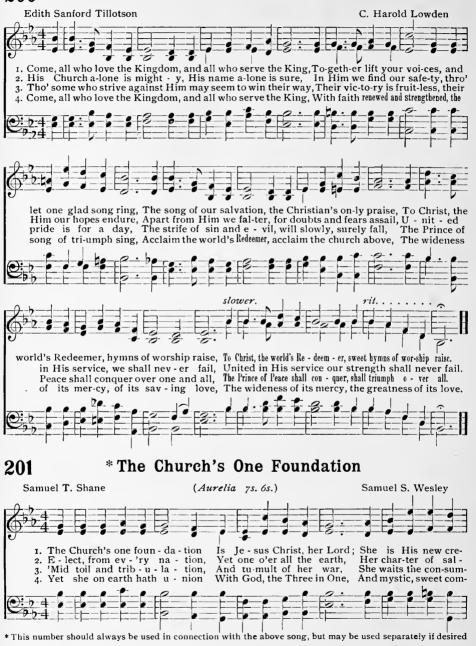


Thy Kingdom

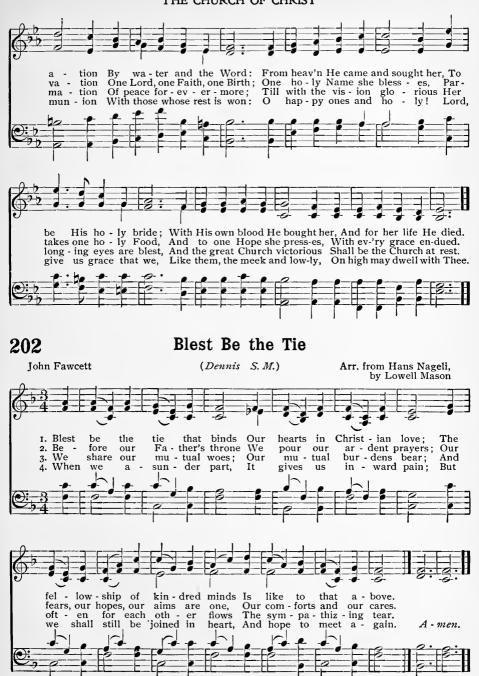


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The World's Redeemer



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In His Dear Name

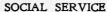




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Conquer the World by Kindness







If Any Little Word of Mine 206 C. H. Forrest lit - tle word of mine May make a life life lit - tle love of mine May make a the sweet - er, song of mine May make a heart the light lit - tle lit - tle care of mine May make a friend's the fleet - er, God help me speak the lit - tle word, And take my bit of sing lift of mine may ease The bur - den of an - oth in some lone - ly vale To set And drop it the ech - oes ring - ing. love, and care, and strength, To help my toil - ing broth - er. me 179

He May Count On Me



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Tell It Wherever You Go



Work, For the Night is Coming





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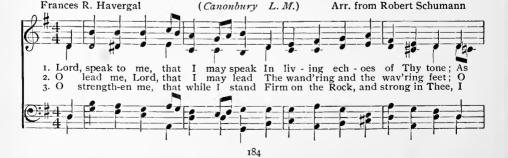


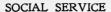
Ye Men of Christ, Awake!

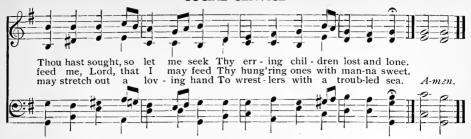


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Lord, Speak to Me







214 I Would Show A Brother's Love



What Have We Done To-day?



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216 Father, Now We Hear Thee Calling (Stuttgard 8s. 7s.) H. L. Hassler (?) mfUs, 1. Fa - ther, now we hear Thee call-ing to spend our lives for Thee, toil and sor - row, world of In a world of sin and shame, As 3. Breathe on us Thy ho - ly Spir - it, from off Thine al - tar, serv - ice forth we to 4. With a coal Touch our lips with pow'r di - vine; Trust-ing in Thy might a - lone, 5. As we go Thy truth pro-claim-ing, 6. May our words and deeds re - veal Thee we strive men's souls to As win; be - fore us, to la - bor, In Thy serv - ice glad and free. As our Mas-ter did And Thy sav - ing grace pro-claim. Cause us all Thy will to know. Thou hast bid - den us to May He, ev - er in us dwell-ing, Fill our souls with heav'nly brightness, Send Thy bless-ing on our la-bors, That Thy light thro' us may shine. All Thy sav - ing pow'r make known. And re-strain from paths of sin. May they flee from sor-row's bond-age, Go Labor On 217 (Ernan L. M.) Horatius Bonar Lowell Mason I. Go la-bor on; spend and be spent, Thy joy to do the 2. Go la-bor on, its not for naught; Thine earthly loss is 3. Go la-bor on; e-nough, while here, If He shall praise the 4. Toil on, and in thy toil re - joice; For toil comes rest, for Fa - ther's will; heav'n-ly gain; If He shall praise thee, if He deign For toil comes rest, for ex - ile, home; It is the way the Mas-ter went; Should not the servant tread it still?

Men heed thee, love thee, praise thee not; The Master praises: what are men?

Thy willing heart to mark and cheer: No toil for Him shall be in vain.

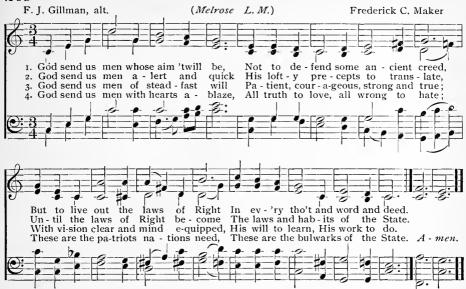
Soon shalt thou hear the Bridegroom's voice, The midnight peal: "Behold, I come!" A-men.

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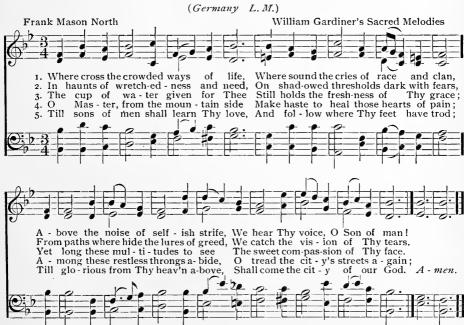
The Common Good







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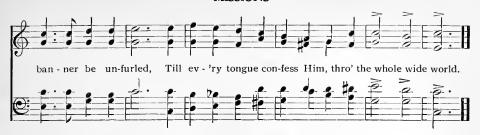
We've a Story to Tell



The Whole Wide World



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226 Christ For the World We Sing









He Has Need of You



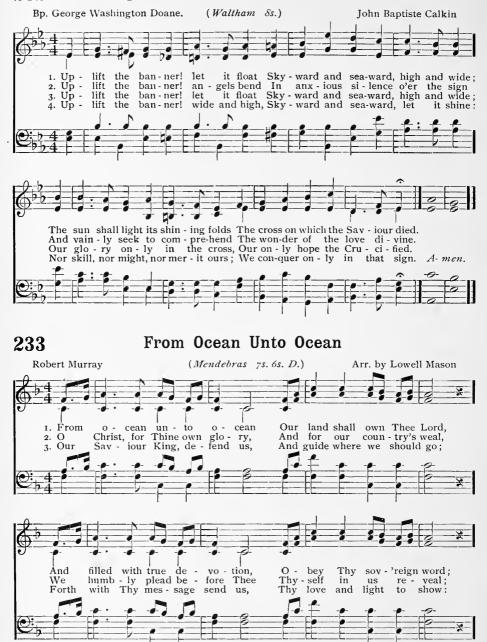
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23| Hark! The Voice of Jesus Calling



Uplift the Banner! Let It Float





THE FUTURE LIFE

235 Ten Thousand Times Ten Thousand



Jerusalem the Golden



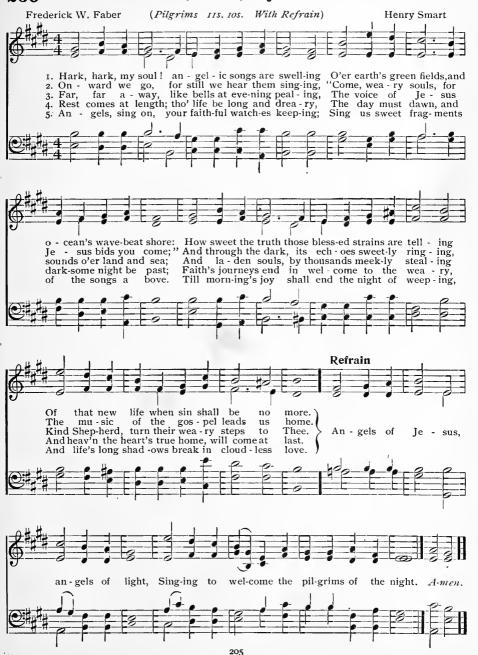
The Call of the Homeland



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Hark, Hark, My Soul!



O Paradise! O Paradise!







O Mother Dear, Jerusalem!



THE HOME

243 Gracious Saviour, Who Didst Honor



A Christian Home

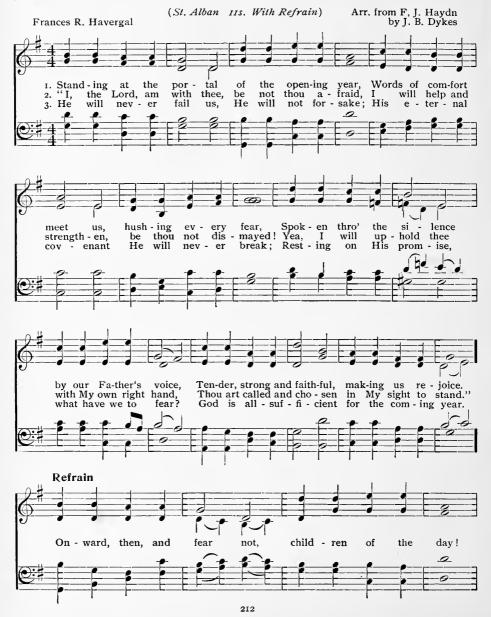




THE YEAR

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Standing At the Portal





Another Year Is Dawning

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THANKSGIVING AND HARVEST

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Earth Below is Teeming

(To this tune also, "Who is On the Lord's Side")



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249 Come, Ye Thankful People, Come Dean Henry Alford (St. George's, Windsor 7s.) Sir George Job Elvey





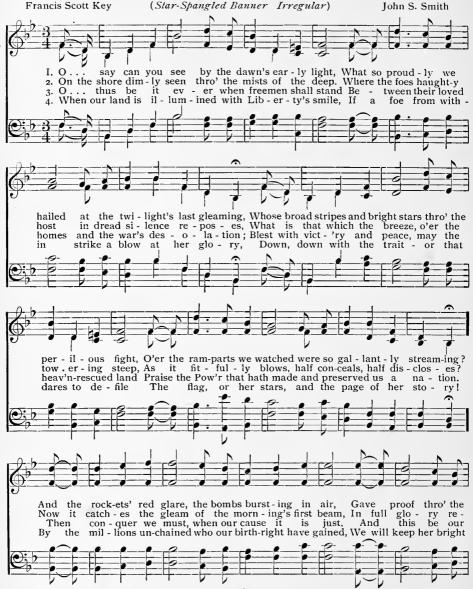
The Corn is Ripe for Reaping



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The Star-Spangled Banner



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- 3 Let music swell the breeze, And ring from all the trees Sweet freedom's song! Let mortal tongues awake; Let all that breathe partake, Let rocks their silence break, The sound prolong!
- 4 Our father's God! to Thee, Author of liberty, To Thee we sing; Long may our land be bright With freedom's holy light; Protect us by Thy might, Great God, our King!

Battle Hymn of the Republic



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O Beautiful, My Country!

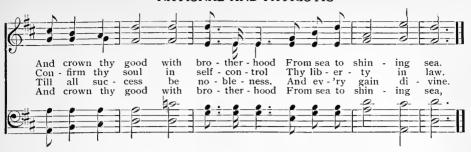


*America, the Beautiful



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257 Lord, While for All Mankind We Pray



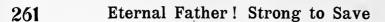
God of Our Fathers







FOR THOSE AT SEA





262 Marching Song Tune—"Onward, Christian Soldiers" Arthur S. Sullivan young and small, March-ing on Bi - ble sword; 'Tis with this 1. We are lit - tle Bi - ble sol - diers, Ver Ours 2. Ours is ar - mor, all; Lord. Je - sus Trust-ing Lit - tle Bi ble sol - diers, Cap - taln, sus loves us our bat the Je - sus Know - ing To His we march a long, Sheld; tho' we're fee ble, 11t our tle so1 diers Chorus God Sa make strong- } yield. can us Clap your hands to geth er, tan soon must March like lit-tle sol --diers, At their Captain's call. A-men. Step to - geth-er all,

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263 Open the Gates for the Dear Little Feet





Rosy Cheek and Dimple 264



Church Bells



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Patter, Patter, Little Feet

For a selected number of small children, who beat time with their feet, in the lines in which the words "Patter, patter," occur.



Give, Said the Little Stream



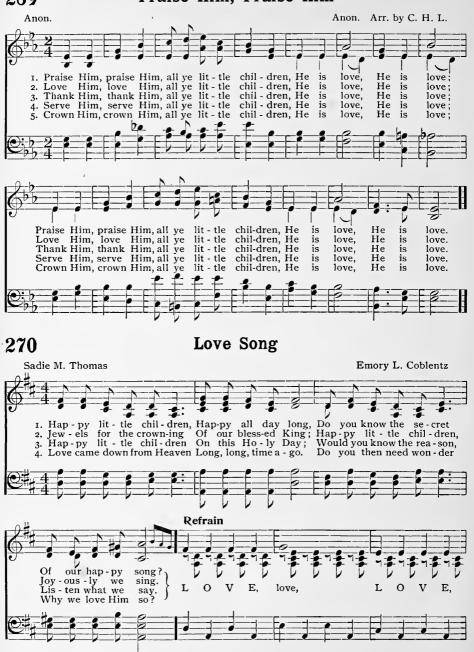
Can a Little Child Like Me?

W. K. Bassford



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Praise Him, Praise Him



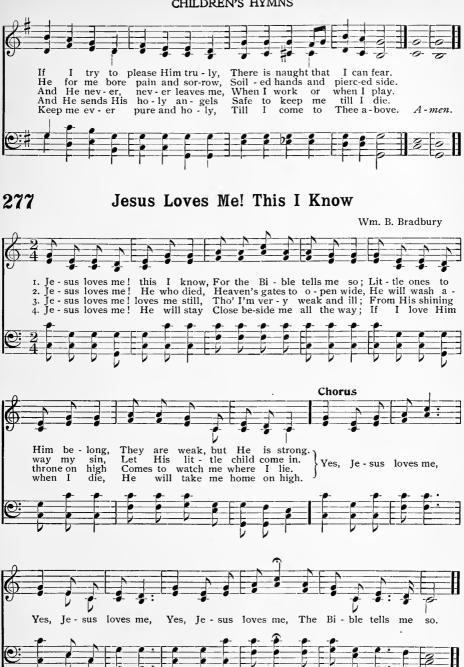


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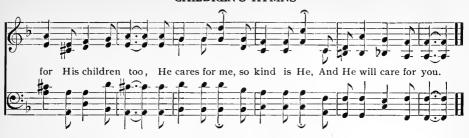




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Saviour, Teach Me, Day by Day





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Calling the Children



What Shall I Do for My Saviour?



282 Lord, Teach Us the Lesson of Loving



GIVING



CHANTS AND RESPONSES



The Lord Is in His Holy Temple







Glory be to the Father, and | to the | Son, || and | to the | Holy | Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and | ever | shall be, || world | without | end.—
A- | men.

Glory Be to the Father



Our Father, who art in **heaven**, | hallow-ed | 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 for- | give our | debtors;

And lead us not into temptation, but de- | liver | us from | evil; || for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for | ever. | A-— | men.

Gloria in Excelsis

Old Chant



Glory be to | God on | high: || and on earth | peace, good- | will toward | men.

We praise Thee, we bless **Thee**, we | wor-ship | Thee: || we glorify Thee, we give thanks to | Thee for | Thy great | glory.



- O Lord God, | heaven-ly | King: || God the | Fa-ther | Al- = | mighty.
- O Lord, the only-begotten Son, | Je-sus | Christ: || O Lord God, Lamb of God, | Son = | of the | Father,



That takest away the | sin ' of the | world, || have mercy up- | on = | us.

Thou that takest away the $|\sin \cdot \text{ of the }|$ world, || have mercy up- | on = | us.

Thou that takest away the | sin of the | world, | re- | ceive our | prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of | God the | Father,]| have mercy up-| on =| us.



For Thou | only ' art | Holy: || Thou | on-ly | art the | Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the | Ho-ly | Ghost: || art most high in the | glory of | God the | Father. || A- | men.

Evening Chant



- 1 My soul doth magni- | fy the | Lord, || and my spirit hath re- | joiced in | God my | Saviour.
- 2 For He | hath re- | garded || the low es- | tate of | His hand- | maiden.
- 3 For behold, | from hence- | forth || all gene- | rations shall | call me | blessed.
- 4 For He | that is | mighty, || hath done to me great things; and | Holy | is His | name.
- 5 And His mercy is on them that | fear = | Him, || from gene- | ra-tion | to gene-| ration.
- 6 He hath shewed strength | with His | arm; || He hath scattered the proud in the imagi- | na-tion | of their | hearts:
- 7 He hath put down the mighty | from their | seats, || and exalted | them of | low = | degree.
- 8 He hath filled the hungry | with good | things, || and the rich He | hath sent | empty a- | way.
- 9 He hath holpen His | ser-vant | Israel, || in re- | mem-brance | of His | mercy.
- 10 As He spake | to our | fathers, || to Abraham, and | his = | seed for- | ever.

Glory be to the Father, | and ' to the | Son: || and | to the | Ho-ly | Ghost,
As it was in the beginning, is now, and | ev-er | shall be, || world without | end. = | A-= |
men.



Morning Chant



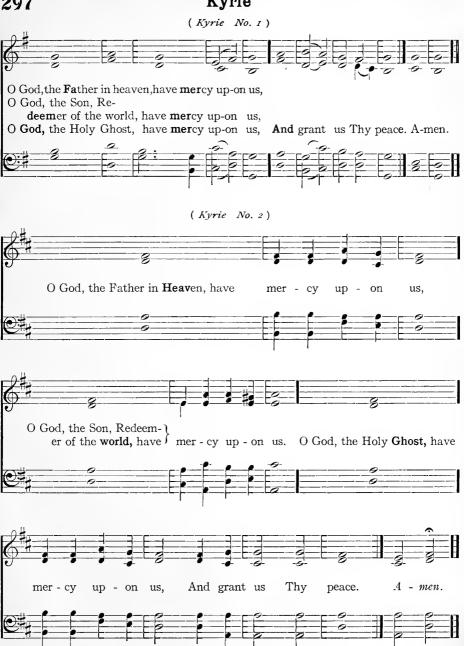
- I O come, let us sing | unto the | Lord; || let us make a joyful noise to the | Rock of | our sal- | vation.
- 2 Let us come before His presence | with thanks- | giving, || and make a joyful noise | un-to | Him with | psalms.
- 3 For the **Lord** is a | great = | God, || and a **great** | King a- | bove all | gods.
- 4 In His hand are the deep places | of the | earth: || the strength of the | hills is | His = | also.
- 5 The sea is **His**, | and He | made it: || and His **hands** | formed the | dry = | land.
- 6 O come let us worship | and bow | down: || let us kneel be- | fore the | Lord our | Maker.
- 7 For **He** | is our | God; || and we are the people of His **pas**ture; | and the | sheep of His | hand.
- 8 To-day if ye will hear His voice, harden | not your | hearts || as in the provocation, and as the day of temptation | in the | wil-der- | ness:
- 9 When your fathers | tempted | me, | | proved | me, and | saw my | work.
- ro Forty years long was I grieved with this **gene** | ration, and | said, || it is a people that do err in their **heart**, and they | have not | known my | ways.
- II *Unto whom I sware | in my | wrath, || that they should not | enter in- | to my | rest.

Glory be to the Father | and ' to the | Son: | and | to the | Ho-ly | Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and | ev-er | shall be, || world without | end. = | A- = | men.

^{*} Last half of Double Chant

Kyrie

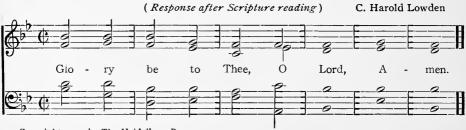


Open Thou Mine Eyes



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Glory Be to Thee, O Lord



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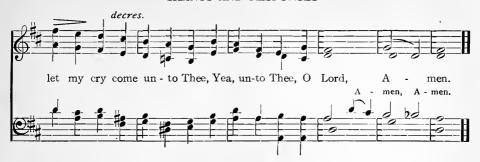
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Hear My Prayer, O Lord



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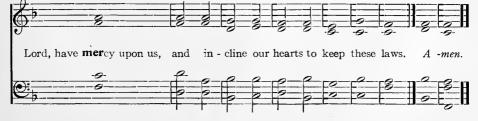


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(Response to the Commandments No. 1)



(Response to the Commandments No. 2)





PREFACE

To the Worship Section of the Church School Hymnal

We are on the eve of an interest in worship unparalleled in the history of Christianity. Not only is this interest new, but the approach to it is also new. Two things have produced these changes. First, a better understanding of the soul processes of the child in its spiritual unfolding, and second, as a result, the stressing of Christian conduct rather than knowledge in religious education.

As a result of this enlarged experience, we are learning to appreciate the value of worship on its manward side as we have always appreciated it on its Godward side in the past. Not that we will stress the latter less in the future, but the former more. We are no longer content with considering the benefits which accrue to the individual from worship as a mere accidental by-product, but are planning definitely to create conditions of worship favorable to the presence of the Spirit of God and His influence in the life of the worshiper. This is man's share of the process and required on God's part before He will perform His part which lies utterly beyond the power of man to do.

Therefore, instead of defining worship vaguely as a proper attitude toward God, we are thinking of it in terms of definite specific attitudes which we are seeking to cultivate in the child. Out of these attitudes should spring the Christian motives which control conduct. This makes worship fundamental in the process of education. First the heart must be right toward God, then knowledge concerning God and His will will have the greatest possible opportunity to be used aright as a guide for behavior. is upon these fundamental principles that the committee appointed to prepare these worship programs has proceeded to do its work.

The orders of worship may be used as they are or be considered suggestive. They may be used departmentally or with the entire school with certain modifications to meet the needs of the younger pupils.

The superintendent is expected to vary the programs as he sees fit and as the occasion requires, keeping in mind, however, always the general rules observed in constructing the programs here presented, so that the unity of purpose and dynamic aimed at may be preserved.

We wish to acknowledge our indebtedness to such books as "Manual for Training in Worship" and "The Book of Worship," by Hugh Hartshorne; also "Hymnal for American Youth," by H. Augustine Smith, and the "School Hymnal," by Milton S. Littlefield.

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ORDERS OF WORSHIP

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GENERAL

PRELUDE (Hymn or Instrumental)

INTRODUCTORY Scripture Sentences

INVOCATION

RESPONSIVE READINGS

HYMN

SCRIPTURE LESSON FOR THE DAY

GLORIA PATRI

APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING

LESSON HYMN

TEACHING THE LESSON

(Closing Period)

II

PRELUDE (Instrumental or Hymn)

OPENING SENTENCES

HYMN PRAYER

SCRIPTURE READING

GLORIA PATRI

HYMN STORY OFFERING HYMN

TEACHING THE LESSON

(Closing Period)

HYMN

III

Leader-Make haste, O God to deliver us:

School-Make haste to help us, O Lord.

Leader-Send unto us help from above:

School-And evermore mightily defend us.

Leader-O Lord, hear our prayer:

School-And let our cry come unto Thee.

Leader—Let us pray.

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, Who art the Help of those that flee unto Thee: we confess that we have offended against Thee, not only by evil words and deeds, but also by sinful thoughts and desires. Cleanse us, we beseech Thee, from our sins, secret and open. Let Thy favor be present with us, that with a firm faith, a calm hope, and a peaceful love, we may bring our worship before Thee. By Thy Holy Spirit, enkindle within us holy and heavenly desires, that we may both ask such things as shall please Thee, and also obtain what we ask; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

APOSTLES' CREED (in unison)

I believe in God the Father Almighty: Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only begotten Son, our Lord: Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hades; the third day He rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at 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 Body; and the Life Everlasting. Amen.

Leader-Let us pray.

Most gracious God, our Heavenly Father, in whose wisdom Thy children become wise; 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 show forth the praises of Him who hath called us out of darkness into marvelous light; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

HYMN

STUDY

HYMN

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in Heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on 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.

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Leader—Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be honor and glory for ever and ever.

AMEN. AMEN. AMEN.

DEPARTMENTAL

For the Beginners' Department

WORSHIP PERIOD

QUIET MUSIC-"Good morning to you."

Superintendent-Let us rise and say, "Praise our Lord this Sabbath Day."

Praises true to God belong.

We will worship God in song.

Sing-Praise Him! Praise Him!

Superintendent—God loves us and gives us many beautiful things that show His love for us. He wants us to love Him too. Why do we love God?

Children-We love Him because He first loved us.

Sing-Love Him! Love Him!

Superintendent—If God has given us so many things to make us happy we should thank
Him for every good gift. What does our Bible say about giving thanks?

Children—It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord.

Sing-Thank Him! Thank Him!

Superintendent-We have just been singing our thanks, how else can we give thanks?

Children—By saying our prayers.

Superintendent-Let us all give thanks in prayer.

Father, we thank Thee for the night, And for the pleasant morning light; For rest and food and loving care, And all that makes the day so fair. Help us to do the things we should, To be to others kind and good; In all we do in work or play, To grow more loving every day.

FELLOWSHIP PERIOD

WELCOME TO NEW SCHOLARS

BIRTHDAY EXERCISES (including song)

MISSIONARY STORY

OFFERING (including song)

Superintendent—Let us bow our heads, fold our hands, close our eyes and ask Jesus to bless the gifts.

"Jesus, bless the gifts we bring Thee,
Give them something sweet to do,
May they help some one to love Thee.
Jesus, may we love Thee, too.
For Thy dear sake. Amen."

CRADLE ROLL EXERCISE

CIRCLE TALK (which includes teaching a new song, memory verse or prayer and simple introduction)

INSTRUCTION PERIOD

REST MARCH OR EXERCISE

LESSON STORY

CLOSING PRAYER AND SONG

HATS AND WRAPS AND PAPERS DISTRIBUTED

Note—This program presupposes a Secretary in charge, who will give attention to marking records during Circle Talk.

For the Primary Department

WORSHIP PERIOD

QUIET MUSIC

Superintendent-The Lord is in His Holy Temple.

Pupils-Let all the Earth keep silence before Him.

In Unison—Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands. Serve the Lord with gladness, come before His presence with singing.

Sing (Tune, Crusaders' Hymn)-

Lord of the sunlight, Lord of the starlight,
Lord of the seasons, teach me to know
How best to love Thee, how best to serve Thee,
Mid summer flowers and winter's snow.

Unison-

Before my words of prayer are said, I'll close my eyes, and bow my head. I'll try to think to whom I pray And try to mean the words I say.

Prayer-Jesus, friend of little children, etc., or:

"We have so much to thank Thee for, Our Heavenly Father, dear; For life and love and tender care Through all the happy year.

For homes and friends and daily food, Each one a gift of love; For every good and perfect gift Is from our God above.'' Amen.

Sing-Can a Little Child Like Me?

FELLOWSHIP PERIOD

WELCOME TO NEW SCHOLARS
BIRTHDAY EXERCISES
MISSIONARY STORY AND OFFERING

INSTRUCTION PERIOD

SUPPLEMENTAL BIBLE VERSES LESSON STUDY EXPRESSION WORK SONG

CLOSING PERIOD

SECRETARY'S REPORT AND ANNOUNCEMENTS THE LORD'S PRAYER, followed by SONG—"How strong and sweet my Father's care" MARCHING OUT

WRAPS AND PAPERS DISTRIBUTED as they pass to the back of room and out.

A Secretary will mark records carefully during the Supplemental Bible Period and report class by class.

Note—Only a few hymns are mentioned, as almost all Welcome, Birthday, Cradle Roll Exercises contain songs, and usually the offerings in these departments are received as the children march around singing.

Note—A dignified method of receiving the offering is to have two boys stand at the back of the room with the baskets and receive the gifts as each child marches to the rear of room, returning to its seat down the middle aisle. The pupils stand as the boys march down the aisle with the baskets. The Superintendent offers prayer.

Suitable Songs are "Give, Said the Little Stream" and

Flowers give to us sweet perfume,

Birds for others sing their songs;

We must do our part in giving,

All we have to God belongs.

Cho. Giving, giving, giving as we may,

Giving, giving, giving, day by day. (Song of Praises No. 1)

For the Junior Department

WORSHIP PERIOD

HYMN (all standing)—"Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty" (No. 79), or "Seraphic Hymn,"

PSALM (in unison)-

O come, let us sing unto the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.

Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving, and make a joyful noise unto Him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

In His hand are the deep places of the earth; the strength of the hills is His also. The sea is His, and He made it; and His hands formed the dry land.

O come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord our maker. For He is our God; and we are the people of His pasture, and the sheep of His hand.

HYMN (all seated)

PRAYER (followed by sentence prayers)

HYMN (Tune, "Woodsworth")

"Just as I am," Thine own to be,

Friend of the young, who lovest me:

To consecrate myself to Thee-

O Saviour dear, I come, I come.

"Just as I am," young, strong, and free,

To be the best that I can be,

For truth and righteousness and Thee,

Lord of my life, I come, I come.

SCRIPTURE QUOTATIONS. These quotations should consist of suitable psalms and passages from the Scriptures. Each week a different group should give them from memory.

FELLOWSHIP PERIOD

RECOGNITION OF NEW SCHOLARS AND BIRTHDAYS MISSIONARY INSTRUCTION
MISSIONARY HYMN (from memory)

OFFERING (collected by members of the department, and received with prayer)

INSTRUCTION PERIOD

BIBLE DRILL

SING (chosen by the Department)

LESSON STUDY

EXPRESSION WORK

CLOSING PERIOD

HYMN

SECRETARY'S REPORT AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

DOXOLOGY

LORD'S PRAYER

GRATITUDE

Thanksgiving to Christmas

WORSHIP PERIOD

PRELUDE—Gounod's "March Romaine," Clarke's "Marche Flambeaux"

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader-Lift up your hearts.

School-We lift them up unto the Lord.

Leader-Let us give thanks unto our Lord.

School-It is meet and right so to do.

PRAYER (in unison)-

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.

HYMN-(No. 17) "We Praise Thee, O God"

We praise Thee, O God, our Redeemer, Creator, In grateful devotion our tribute we bring.

We lay it before Thee, we kneel and adore Thee,

We bless Thy holy name, glad praises we sing.

We worship Thee, God of our Fathers, we bless Thee; Thro' life's storm and tempest our Guide hast Thou been.

When perils o'er take us, escape Thou wilt make us,

And with Thy help, O Lord, our battles we win.

With voices united our praises we offer,

To Thee, great Jehovah, glad anthems we raise.

Thy strong arm will guide us, our God is beside us,

To Thee, our great Redeemer, forever be praise.

RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE READING OR THE LESSON FOR THE DAY

Leader-Praise ye the Lord.

School-Praise God in His sanctuary.

Leader-Praise Him in the firmament of His power.

School-Praise Him for His mighty acts.

Leader-Praise Him according to His excellent goodness.

School-Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord.

All—

Praise to God, immortal praise, For the love that crowns our days; Bounteous, source of every joy, Let Thy praise our tongues employ; All to Thee, our God, we owe, Source whence all our blessings flow.

PRAYER OF GRATITUDE (in unison)

O God, Giver of all good and Fountain of all mercies, in Whom are the springs of our life; all glory, thanks and praise be unto Thee for Thine over-flowing goodness; for Thy faithfulness which is from one generation to another; for Thy mercies which are new every morning, fresh every moment, and more than we can number; for seed-time and harvest, and summer and winter, and nights and days throughout the year; for food and raiment and shelter; for health and reason; for childhood and age, and youth and manhood; for Thy fatherly hand ever upon us in sickness and in health, in joy and in sorrow, in life and in death; for friends and kindred and kind benefactors; for home and country; for Thy Church, and for Thy Gospel; yea, Lord, for there is nothing for which we may not bless and thank Thee. And, therefore, do we take the cup of salvation, and call upon Thy name, and pay our vows now in the presence of all Thy people; humbly beseeching Thee to accept this our becoming service and bounden duty, even as we offer it, in the name and through the infinite merits of Thy Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

HYMN-(No. 257) "Lord, While for All Mankind We Pray"

Lord, while for all mankind we pray,

Of ev'ry clime and coast;

O hear us for our native land,

The land we love the most.

O guard our shores from ev'ry foe,

With peace our borders bless,

With prosperous times our cities crown, Our fields with plenteousness.

Unite us in the sacred love

Of knowledge, truth and Thee:

And let our hills and valleys shout

The songs of liberty.

Lord of the nations, thus to Thee

Our Country we commend:

Be Thou her Refuge, and her Trust,

Her everlasting Friend.

Amen.

INSTRUCTION PERIOD

STORY—An account of the First Thanksgiving Celebration (Plymouth, December 11, 1621). (On other occasions substitute a suitable story expressing gratitude.)

Our corn did prove well; and, God be praised, we had a good increase of Indian corn. Our harvest being gotten in, our Governor sent four men on fowling, that so we might, after a special manner rejoice together after we had gathered the fruit of our labors. Many of the Indians came amongst us, and amongst the rest their greatest King, Massasoit, with some ninety men whom for three days we entertained or feasted.

Edward Winslow.

The First Thanksgiving Proclamation-

"It is ordered that the 11th day of June throughout this jurisdiction shall be set apart for a day of Thanksgiving to Almighty God for His great and victorious mercies to our dear native country for the comfortable and seasonable supplying us with moderate showers and His mercy in withdrawing His afflicting hand from us."

OFFERING-Telling of its purpose and gathering it.

ANNOUNCEMENTS—Birthdays. Rehearsal of new hymns. Marking records. Memory work or instruction in worship.

TEACHING THE LESSON

CLOSING PERIOD

CLOSING HYMN-"America, the Beautiful." No. 256

PRESENTING THE OFFERING—OFFERTORY HYMN: "We Give Thee But Thine Own"

REPORTS LORD'S PRAYER DOXOLOGY

GOOD WILL

General Order of Worship (Christmas Season)

WORSHIP PERIOD

PRELUDE—"Hallelujah Chorus," Handel; "Largo," Handel, or other stately number. CALL TO WORSHIP—Psalm 100

Leader-Make a joyful noise unto Jehovah all ye lands.

School-Serve Jehovah with gladness: Come before His presence with singing.

Leader—Know ye that Jehovah, He is God:

It is He that hath made us; and we are His;

We are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.

School—Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, And into His courts with praise: Give thanks unto Him and bless His name.

All—For Jehovah is good; His lovingkindness endureth forever, And His faithfulness unto all generations.

RESPONSE (Hymn No. 154)

There's a wideness in God's mercy, Like the wideness of the sea; There's a kindness in His justice, Which is more than liberty.

If our love were but more simple,
We should take Him at His word;
And our lives would be all sunshine,
In the sweetness of our Lord.

For the love of God is broader,
Than the measure of mans mind;
And the heart of the Eternal,
Is most wonderfully kind. Amen-

PRAYER (in unison). Psalm 23.

HYMN (No. 135)—

The King of love my Shepherd is,
Whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am His,
And He is mine forever. Amen.

RESPONSIVE READING

- Leader—Wherewith shall I come before Jehovah, and bow myself before the high God? Shall I come before Him with burnt offerings?
- School—He hath showed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth Jehovah Jehovah require of thee, but to do justly, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with they God?
- Leader-Hear this, O ye that would swallow up the needy, and cause the poor of the land to fail,
- School—Saying, When will the new moon be gone, that we may sell grain? and the Sabbath, that we may set forth wheat, making the ephah small, and the shekel great, and dealing falsely with balances of deceit.
- Leader—That we may buy the poor for silver, and the needy for a pair of shoes, and sell the refuse of the wheat?
- School—Jehovah hath sworn by the excellency of Jacob, Surely I will never forget any of their works.
- Leader—Shall not the land tremble for this, and every one mourn that dwelleth therein? yea, it shall rise up wholly like the River; and it shall be troubled and sink again, like the River Egypt.
- School—And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the Lord Jehovah, that I will cause the sun to go down at noon, and I will darken the earth in the clear day.
- All—And I will turn your feasts into mourning, and your songs into lamentation; and I will bring sackcloth upon all loins, and baldness upon every head; and I will make it as the mourning for an only son, and the end thereof as a bitter day.

PRAYER HYMN (No. 115) "Living for Jesus"

Living for Jesus a life that is true, Striving to please Him in all that I do, Yielding allegiance, glad hearted and free, This is the pathway of blessing for me.

Chorus.

O Jesus, Lord and Saviour, I give myself to Thee; For Thou, in Thy Atonement, didst give Thyself for me; I own no other master, my heart shall be Thy throne, My life I give henceforth to live, O Christ, for Thee alone.

GENERAL PRAYER (in unison)

O God, Creator and Preserver of all mankind, we humbly beseech Thee for all sorts and conditions of men; that Thou wouldst be pleased to make Thy ways known unto them, Thy saving health unto all nations. More especially we pray for Thy Holy Church universal; that it may be so guided and governed by Thy good Spirit, that all who profess and call themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life.

Finally, we commend to Thy fatherly goodness all those who are in any way afflicted, or distressed, in mind, body, or estate; that it may please Thee to comfort and relieve them, according to their several necessities; giving them patience under their sufferings, and a happy issue out all their afflictions. This we ask for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

HYMN (No. 214) "I Would Show a Brother's Love"

I would have a brother's love living in my heart, Born and nurtured from above, of the Christ a part; Love that judges others not, tries to sweeten others' lot; I would have a brother's love warm within my heart.

Love to others I would show, by the kindly deed; Love that pays the debt I owe to another's need; Love that works by day and night, making others' burdens light; Love to others I would show, by the kindly deed.

Love to others I would hold, though they may not care; Though their hearts be proud and cold, love can wait and bear; Love that no resentment shows, love that triumphs over foes; Love to others I would hold, waiting to declare. Amen.

INSTRUCTION PERIOD

STORY OR ADDRESS

OFFERING (Telling of its purpose and gathering it)

ANNOUNCEMENTS—Birthdays. Rehearsal of new hymns. Marking of the records.

Memory work, or Instruction in Worship.

TEACHING THE LESSON

CLOSING PERIOD

HYMN

PRESENTATION OF OFFERING-OFFERTORY HYMN

REPORTS

CLOSING HYMN (Hymn No. 218) "When Faith Trusts Love, and Love Proves Faith"
When Faith Trusts Love, and Love Proves Faith

With kind, unselfish deeds;

And treads with fleet and joyful feet

The path where Duty leads;

When Self is slain in sacrifice

Another's woe to heal;

The Common Good in Brotherhood Shall crown our Human Weal.

To that bright end our efforts bend— Our vision sees the Day;

And from above GOD'S Light of Love Shines on the upward way.

The PRINCE OF PEACE reveals Himself The TRUTH, the LIFE, the WAY;

Come, join the throng and sing the song To hail the glorious Day.

LORD'S PRAYER

GOOD WILL

Order of Service for Christmas

WORSHIP PERIOD

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC—Pastoral Symphony (Messiah), Handel. "March of the Magi Kings," Dubois

Opening Sentence—"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good-will toward men.

Response—''My soul doth magnify the Lord. And my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.''

Unison Invocation—O Thou, who leadest us to the Christ, we thank Thee for Christmas Day.

We thank Thee for the gift of Thy Son, at whose birth the Angels of God, sang for joy and learned men came from afar bearing costly gifts. We thank Thee that He came that we might have life and have it more abundantly—that the blind might see, the helpless be able-bodied, the hungry and thirsty be satisfied, the sorrowing be comforted, and the dead live. O Giver of gifts, we give Thee thanks!

And as we hallow this day, may the spirit of Christmas permeate our beings so that each succeeding day may show that we have made it the glory of our lives, to love others no less than we love ourselves, to give, not to get; to serve, not to be served. And may we so follow Thee that all men may learn of the Christ and unitedly sing, "Peace on Earth, Good-will toward Men." In the name of the Christ, we ask it. Amen.

HYMN (No. 37) "Come Hither, Ye Faithful"

Come hither, ye faithful, triumphantly sing; Come, see in the manger the angels' dread King. To Bethlehem hasten with joyful accord.

Chorus.

Oh, come, let us adore Him,
Oh, come, let us adore Him,
Oh, come, let us adore Him, Christ, the Lord. Amen.

True Son of the Father, He comes from the skies, To be born of a virgin He does not despise. To Bethlehem hasten with joyful accord. (Chorus.)

To Thee, then, O Jesus, this day of Thy birth, Be glory and honor through heaven and earth. True God-head incarnate! omnipotent Word! (Chorus.)

RESPONSIVE READING

Leader—Arise, shine; for thy light is come,
And the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.

School—The people that walked in darkness Have seen a great light;

Leader—They that dwelt in the land of the shadow of death Upon them hath the light shined.

School—For unto us a child is born, Unto us a Son is given;

Leader—And the government shall be upon His shoulder:
And His name shall be called,

In Unison—Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

HYMN (No. 31) "O Little Town of Bethlehem"

O Little Town of Bethlehem,
How still we see thee lie;
Above thy deep and dreamless sleep
The silent stars go by;
Yet in thy dark streets shineth
The everlasting Light;
The hopes and fears of all the years
Are met in Thee tonight.

For Christ is born of Mary;
And gathered all above,
While mortals sleep, the angels keep
Their watch of wondering love.
O morning stars, together
Proclaim the holy birth;
And praises sing to God the King,
And peace to men on earth.

How silently, how silently,
The wondrous gift is given!
So God imparts to human hearts
The blessings of His heaven.
No ear may hear His coming,
But in this world of sin,
Where meek souls will receive Him still,
The dear Christ enters in.

O holy Child of Bethlehem,
Descend to us, we pray;
Cast out our sins and enter in;
Be born in us today.
We hear the Christmas angels,
The great glad tidings tell;
O come to us, abide with us,
Our Lord Emanuel.

SCRIPTURE (Luke 2: 1-16)

PRAYER (Pastor or Superintendent)

HYMN-"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear"

It came upon the midnight clear,
That glorious song of old,
From angels bending near the earth,
To touch their harps of gold;
"Peace on the earth, good-will to men,
From heav'n's all-gracious King;"
The world in solemn stillness lay
To hear the angels sing.

Still through the cloven skies they come,
With peaceful wings unfurled,
And still their heavenly music floats
O'er all the weary world;
Above its sad and lowly plains
They bend on hovering wing,
And ever o'er its Babel sounds
The blessed angels sing.

O ye, beneath life's crushing load
Whose forms are bending low,
Who toil along the climbing way
With painful steps and slow,
Look now, for glad and golden hours
Come swiftly on, the wing;
O rest beside the weary road,
And hear the angels sing.

For lo, the days are hastening on,
By prophets seen of old,
When with the ever-circling years
Shall come the time foretold,
When the new heaven and earth shall own
The Prince of Peace their King,
And the whole world send back the song
Which now the angels sing.

STORY-"Why the Chimes Rang." In "Why the Chimes Rang and Other Stories," Alden.

INSTRUCTION PERIOD

HYMN (No. 43) "We Three Kings of Orient Are." Three male voices and School.

We three kings of Orient are;
Bearing gifts we traverse afar,
Field and fountain, moor and mountain
Following yonder star.

Refrain.

O star of wonder, star of night; Star with royal beauty bright; Westward leading, still proceeding, Guide us to Thy perfect light.

Born a King on Bethlehem plain, Gold I bring to crown Him again King forever; ceasing never Over us all to reign.—Refrain.

Frankineense to offer have 1; Incense owns a Deity nigh: Prayer and praising, all men raising, Worship Him, God on high.—Refrain.

Myrrh is mine; its bitter perfume Breathes a life of gathering gloom; Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying, Sealed in the stone-cold tomb.—Refrain.

Glorious now behold Him arise
King, and God, and Sacrifice,
Alleluia, Alleluia!
Heaven and earth replies.—Refrain. Amen.

OFFERING-Telling of its purpose. Gathering it. Marking the records.

ANNOUNCEMENTS—Birthdays.

TEACHING THE LESSON

HYMN (No. 33) "Joy to the World"

Joy to the world! the Lord is come:
Let earth receive her King;
Let ev'ry heart prepare Him room,
And Heav'n and nature sing,
And Heav'n and nature sing,
And Heav'n, and Heav'n and nature sing.

Joy to the earth! the Saviour reigns:
Let men their songs employ;
While fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains
Repeat the sounding joy.

No more let sins and sorrows grow,
Nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make His blessings flow
Far as the curse is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace, And makes the nations prove The glories of His righteousness, And wonders of His love. Amen.

PRESENTING THE OFFERING—OFFERTORY HYMN
RESPONSIVE READING—The Magnificat
DOXOLOGY AND BENEDICTION

GOOD WILL

Missions, Brotherhood, Labor Day, Social Service

WORSHIP PERIOD

PRELUDE—"Chant sans Parole," Tschaikowsky, or something of similar nature. CALL TO WORSHIP (Isaiah 60: 1-3)

Leader—Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of Jehovah is risen upon thee.

School—For, behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the peoples; but Jehovah will arise upon thee, and His glory shall be seen upon thee.

All—And nations shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising.

RESPONSE (Hymn No. 227)

O Zion, haste, thy mission high fulfilling, To tell to all the world that God is Light; That He Who made all nations is not willing One soul should perish, lost in shades of night. Publish glad tidings; tidings of peace; Tidings of Jesus, Redemption and release

Proclaim to every people, tongue and nation;
That God, in Whom they live and move is Love;
Tell how He stooped to save His lost creation,
And died on earth that man might live above.
Publish glad tidings, etc.

Give of thy sons to bear the message glorious;
Give of thy wealth to speed them on their way,
Pour out thy soul for them in pray'r victorious;
And all thou spendest Jesus will repay.
Publish glad tidings, etc.

Amen.

PRAYER (in unison)

God be merciful unto us and bless us
And cause His face to shine upon us.
That Thy way may be known upon the earth.
Thy salvation among all nations.
Let the peoples praise Thee.
Let all the peoples praise Thee.

HYMN-Tune "Waltham." No. 232.

Go, heralds of salvation, forth; Go in your heavenly Master's name, From east to west, from south to north, The glorious gospel wide proclaim.

Go forth to sow the living seed;
Seek not earth's praise, nor dread its frown;
Nor labors fear, nor trials heed;
Win jewels for Immanuel's crown.

Lo! I am with you, saith the Lord;
My grace your spirit shall sustain;
Strong is My arm, and sure My word;
My servants shall not toil in vain.

Go forth in hope; My burden take,
Till God's great reaping day shall come,
Then, they who sow'd in tears shall wake,
And hail the joyful harvest home. Amen.

RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE

Leader—Go ye therefore, and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

School—Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I commanded you: and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.

Leader-Whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.

School-How then shall they call on Him in Whom they have not believed?

Leader—And how shall they believe in Him Whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher?

School—And how shall they preach, except they be sent? Even as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that bring glad tidings of good things!

PRAYER HYMN-Music No. 213.

O teach me, Lord, that I may teach
The precious things Thou dost impart;
And wing my words, that they may reach
The hidden depths of many a heart.

PRAYER (in unison)

O God, Who hast made of one blood all nations of men to dwell on the face of the whole earth, and didst send Thy blessed Son to preach to them that are far off and to them that are nigh; grant that all men everywhere may seek after Thee and find Thee. Bring the nations into Thy fold, and add the heathen to Thine inheritance. And we pray Thee hasten the coming of Thy kingdom everywhere; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

HYMN (No. 225) "The Whole Wide World"

The whole wide world for Jesus, this shall our watchword be, Upon the highest mountain, down by the widest sea. The whole wide world for Jesus, to Him all men shall bow, In city or on prairie, the world for Jesus now.

Refrain.

The whole wide world, the whole wide world, Proclaim the gospel tidings through the whole wide world, Lift up the cross for Jesus, His banner be unfurled, Till ev'ry tongue confess Him, thro' the whole wide world.

STORY-Some good missionary story.

OFFERING-Telling of its purpose and gathering it.

ANNOUNCEMENTS—Birthdays. Rehearsal of new hymns. Marking records. Memory work or Instruction in Worship.

TEACHING THE LESSON

CLOSING PERIOD

PRESENTATION OF OFFERING—OFFERTORY HYMN

REPORTS

CLOSING HYMN (No. 220)

Where cross the crowded ways of life,
Where sound the cries of race and clan,
Above the noise of self and strife,
We hear Thy voice, O Son of man!

In haunts of wretchedness and need,
On shadowed thresholds dark with fears,
From paths where hide the lure of greed,
We catch the vision of thy tears.

The cup of water given for Thee,
Still holds the freshness of Thy grace,
Yet long these multitudes to see,
The sweet compassion of Thy face.

PRAYER (in unison)

O God we pray Thee for the community in which we live, the community we love and of which we want to be truly proud. Grant us a vision of our community, fair as she might be; a community of justice, where none shall prey on others; a community of plenty, where vice and poverty shall cease to fester; a community of brotherhood, where all success shall be founded on service, and honor shall be given to nobleness alone; a community of peace, where order shall not rest on force; but on the love of all for the community, the great mother of the common life and weal. Hear Thou, O Lord, the silent prayer of all our hearts as we each pledge our time and strength and thought to speed the day of her coming beauty and righteousness. Amen.

Adapted from a prayer by Walter Rauschenbusch.

REVERENCE

WORSHIP PERIOD

PRELUDE-"Traumerei," Schumann, or "At Twilight," Lowden.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader—O come let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker.

School—For He is our God and we are the people of His pasture, and the sheep of His hand.

Leader—I will come into Thy house in the multitude of Thy mercy: and in Thy fear will I worship toward Thy holy temple.

School—Honor and majesty are before Him: strength and beauty are in His sanctuary.

PRAYER (in unison)

Seek ye the Lord while He may be found Call upon Him while He is near. The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, Slow to anger and of great mercy.

HYMN (No. 79) "Holy, Holy, Holy"

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lond God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;
Holy, Holy, Holy! merciful and mighty!
God in Three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, Holy, all the saints adore Thee, Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; Cherubim and Scraphim falling down before Thee, Which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be. Holy, Holy, though the darkness hide Thee,
Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see,
Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee,
Perfect in power, in love, and purity. Amen.

RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE READING OR SCRIPTURE FOR THE DAY

Leader-O Jehovah, our Lord, how excellent is Thy name in all the earth, Who hast set Thy glory upon the heavens!

School—Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings hast Thou established strength, because of Thine adversaries, that Thou mightest still the enemy and the avenger.

Leader-When I consider Thy heavens, the works of Thy fingers, the moon and the stars, which Thou hast ordained;

School—What is man, that Thou art mindful of him? And the son of man that Thou visitest him?

Leader—For Thou hast made him but little lower than God, and crownest him with glory and honor.

School—Thou makest him to have dominion over the works of Thy hands; Thou hast put all things under his feet:

Leader-All sheep and oxen, yea, and the beasts of the field,

School—The birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea, whatsoever passeth through the paths of the seas.

All—O Jehovah, our Lord, how excellent is Thy name in all the earth!

PRAYER HYMN

Jesus meek and gentle, Son of God most high, Pitying, loving Saviour, Hear Thy children's cry.

GENERAL PRAYER

Thee, mighty God, heavenly King, we magnify and praise. With patriarchs and prophets, apostles and martyrs; with the holy Church throughout all the world; with the heavenly Jerusalem, the joyful assembly and congregation of the first-born on high; with the innumerable company of angels round about Thy throne, the heaven of heavens, and all the powers therein; we worship and adore Thy glorious name, joining in the song of the Cherubim and Seraphim (No. 295):

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabaoth; heaven and earth are full of the majesty of Thy glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

INSTRUCTION PERIOD

STORY—Read Isaiah 6: 1-8 inclusive.

OFFERING-Telling of its purpose and gathering it.

ANNOUNCEMENTS—Birthdays. Rehearsal of new hymns. Marking the records or Instruction in Worship.

TEACHING THE LESSON

CLOSING PERIOD

HYMN-Tune "Lyons." No. 260.

O worship the King, all-glorious above, And gratefully sing His power and His love; Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of days, Pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.

O tell of His might, O sing of His grace, Whose robe is the light, Whose canopy space; His chariots of wrath the deep thunder clouds form, And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail: Thy mercies, how tender, how firm to the end, Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer and Friend. Amen.

PRESENTING THE OFFERING—OFFERTORY HYMN (No. 250 Refrain)

REPORTS

CLOSING HYMN (No. 73)

Spirit of God, descend upon my heart;
Wean it from earth, thro' all its pulses move;
Stoop to my weakness, mighty as Thou art,
And make me love Thee as I ought to love.

I ask no dream, no prophet-ecstacies,
No sudden rending of the veil of clay,
No angel-visitant, no opening skies;
But take the dimness of my soul away.

LORD'S PRAYER

FAITH

General Order of Worship, Christmas to Easter

WORSHIP PERIOD

PRELUDE-"Simple Aveu," Thome; "Melody in F," Rubinstein; or similar number.

OPENING HYMN-(No. 120)

My faith looks up to Thee,
Thou Lamb of Calvary,
Saviour divine!
Now hear me while I pray,
Take all my guilt away,
O let me from this day
Be wholly Thine.

THE CREED

PRAYER (in unison)-

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills. From whence cometh my help?
My help cometh from the Lord,
Who made heaven and the earth.
He will not suffer thy foot to be moved.
He that keepeth thee will not slumber.
Behold He that keepeth Israel
Will neither slumber nor sleep.

RESPONSE

Leader—What is true faith?

The Lord is thy keeper:
The Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand.
The sun shall not smite thee by day,
Nor the moon by night.
The Lord shall keep thee from all evil:
He shall keep thy soul.
The Lord shall keep thy going out and thy coming in,
From this time forth and forevermore.

HYMN (No. 195)-

Christian! dost thou see them
On the holy ground,
How the powers of darkness
Rage thy steps around?
Christian, up and smite them,
Counting gain but loss;
In the strength that cometh
By the Holy Cross.

Christian, dost thou feel them,
How they work within,
Striving, tempting, luring,
Goading into sin?
Christian, never tremble;
Never be downcast;
Gird thee for the battle,
Watch and pray and fast.

Christian, dost thou hear them,
How they speak thee fair,
Always fast and vigil?
Always watch and prayer?
Christian, answer boldly:
"While I breathe I pray!"
Peace shall follow battle,
Night shall end in day.

"Well I know thy trouble,
O My servant true;
Thou art very weary,
I was weary, too;
But that toil shall make thee
Some day all Mine own,
And the end of sorrow
Shall be near My Throne."

Amen.

RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE READING—Hebrews 11: 29-40 (or the 23rd Psalm)

- Leader—By faith they passed through the Red Sea as by dry land: which the Egyptians assaying to do were swallowed up.
- Sehool—By faith the walls of Jericho fell down, after they had been compassed about for seven days.
- Leader—By faith Rahab perished not with them that were disobedient, having received the spies with peace.
- School—And what shall I more say? for the time will fail me if I tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah; of David and Samuel and the prophets.
- Leader—Who through faith subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions.
- School—Quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, from weakness were made strong, waxed mighty in war, turned to flight armies of aliens.
- Leader—Women received their dead by a resurrection: and others were tortured, not accepting their deliverance; that they might obtain a better resurrection.
- School—And others had trial of mockings and scourgings; yea, moreover of bonds and imprisonment.
- Leader—They were stoned, they were sawn asunder, they were tempted, they were slain with the sword: they went about in goatskins, being destitute, afflicted, ill-treated.
- School—Of whom the world was not worthy, wandering in deserts and mountains and caves, and the holes of the earth.
- Leader—And these all, having had witness borne to them through their faith, received not the promise.
- All—God having provided some better thing concerning us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect.

PRAYER HYMN (No. 83)-

Break Thou the bread of life, Dear Lord, to me, As Thou didst break the loaves beside the sea; Beyond the sacred page I seek Thee, Lord; My spirit pants for Thee, O living word!

GENERAL PRAYER (in unison)-

O God, the Father everlasting, Whom the glorious hosts of heaven obey, and in Whose presence patriarchs, prophets, apostles, martyrs, with all the spirits of the just made perfect, continually do live; fix the eye of our faith, we beseech Thee, with clear and full vision, on the great cloud of witnesses with which we are thus encompassed about in the heavenly world; that laying aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, we may run with patience the race that is set before us, and obtain at last the crown of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

HYMN (No. 138)-

Lead kindly light, amid the encircling gloom, Lead Thou me on;

The night is dark, and I am far from home; Lead Thou me on.

Keep Thou my feet; I do not ask to see The distant scene; one step enough for me.

I was not ever thus, nor prayed that Thou shouldst Lead me on;

I loved to choose and see my path; but now Lead Thou me on.

I loved the garish day; and, spite of fears,

Pride ruled my will: remember not past years.

So long Thy power has blest me, sure it still Will lead me on

O'er moor and fen, o'er crag and torrent, till The night is gone;

And with the morn those angel faces smile,

Which I have loved long since, and lost awhile. Amen.

INSTRUCTION PERIOD

STORY-The widow's jar of meal and cruse of oil. 1 Kings 17: 8-16.

OFFERING-Telling of its purpose and gathering it.

ANNOUNCEMENTS—Birthdays. Rehearsal of new hymns. Marking the records.

Memory work or Instruction in Worship.

TEACHING THE LESSON

CLOSING PERIOD

PRESENTING THE OFFERING-OFFERTORY HYMN, "We Give Thee But Thy Own"

REPORTS

RESPONSORY

Leader-What is thy only comfort in life and death?

School—That I, with body and soul, both in life and in death, am not my own, but belong to my faithful Saviour Jesus Christ, Who, with His precious blood, hath fully satisfied for all my sins, and redeemed me from all the power of the devil; and so preserves me, that without the will of my Father in heaven, not a hair can fall from my head; yea, that all things must work together for my salvation. Wherefore, by His Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me heartily willing and ready henceforth to live unto Him.

CLOSING HYMN (No. 172)-

Jesus, I live to Thee,
The loveliest and best;
My life in Thee, Thy life in me,
In Thy blest love I rest.

Jesus, I die to Thee,
Whenever death shall come;
To die in Thee is life to me,
In my eternal home.

Whether to live or die,

I know not which is best—
To live in Thee is bliss to me,
To die is endless rest.

Living or dying, Lord,
I ask but to be Thine;
My life in Thee, Thy life in me,
Makes heaven for ever mine.

Amen.

FAITH

Penitence

WORSHIP PERIOD

HYMN-"Holy Spirit, Faithful Guide" (No. 76)

CALL TO WORSHIP-Kyrie No. 297

- O God the Father in Heaven, have mercy upon us!
- O God the Son, Redeemer of the world, have mercy upon us!
- O God the Holy Ghost, have mercy upon us, and grant us Thy peace. Amen.

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS—(In unison or assigned to different sections of the school)

HYMN-(No. 98) "Hear His Gentle Voice"

Do not turn from Christ away, He is calling you today, Mercy now is flowing free, He would your sweet solace be. On the cross of Calvary
Jesus died for you and me;
He will cleanse and make you whole,
And give comfort to your soul.

Pleadingly He calls your name, He will make you free from shame, All your sorrows soon will cease If you claim His love and peace.

Jesus' voice, so sweet in tone, Now can touch your heart of stone; Do not turn from Him away, Hear His blessed call today.

Chorus

Hear His gentle, pleading voice, Make the Saviour now your choice; He will make your soul rejoice, Jesus calls you now.

SCRIPTURE READING—(In unison) Psalm 51: 1-12 inclusive.

Have mercy upon me, O God, according to Thy lovingkindness: According to the multitude of Thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, And cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions; And my sin is ever before me. Against Thee, Thee only, have I sinned, And done that which is evil in Thy sight; That Thou mayest be justified when Thou speakest, And be clear when Thou judgest. Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, And in sin did my mother conceive me. Behold, Thou desirest truth in the inward parts, And in the hidden part Thou wilt make me to know wisdom. Purify me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Make me to hear joy and gladness, That the bones which Thou hast broken may rejoice. Hide Thy face from my sins, And blot out all mine iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God: And renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence; And take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation; And uphold me with a willing spirit.

PRAYER HYMN (No. 101)-

Saviour, when in dust to Thee, Low we bow th' adoring knee, When, repentant to the skies, Scarce we lift our weeping eyes. Oh, by all Thy pains and woe, Suffered once for man below, Bending from Thy throne on high, Hear our solemn Litany.

PRAYER FOR PARDON (The Litany abbreviated)

Leader-O God the Father in heaven; have mercy upon us.

School-Have mercy upon us.

Leader-O God the Son, Redeemer of the world; have mercy upon us.

School-Have mercy upon us.

Leader—O God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son; have mercy upon us.

School-Have mercy upon us.

Leader-O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three persons and one God; have merey upon us.

School-Have mercy upon us.

Leader—Remember not, Lord, our offenses, nor the offenses of our forefathers; neither take Thou vengeance of our sins: spare us, good Lord, spare Thy people, whom Thou hast redeemed with Thy most precious blood, and be not angry with us for ever.

School-Spare us, good Lord.

Leader—From all evil and harm; from the power of sin, and the snares of the devil; from Thy wrath, and from everlasting damnation.

School-Good Lord, deliver us.

Leader—From all blindness of heart; from pride, vain-glory, and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred, and malice, and all uncharitableness.

School-Good Lord, deliver us.

Leader—From all impure lusts and desires; and from all the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil.

School-Good Lord, deliver us.

O God, merciful Father, Who despisest not the sighing of the contrite, nor rejectest the desire of the sorrowful: be favorable to our prayers which in our afflictions that continually oppress us, we pour out before Thee; and graciously hear them, that those things which the craft of the devil or man worketh against us, may be brought to nought, and by the counsel of Thy goodness be dispersed; so that being hurt by no persecutions, we may evermore give thanks unto Thee in Thy holy Church, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

HYMN-(No. 116) "Purer Yet and Purer"

Purer yet and purer, I would be in mind, Dearer yet and dearer, ev'ry duty find; Hoping still and trusting God without a fear, Patiently believing He will make all clear. Calmer yet and calmer, in the hour of pain, Surer yet and surer, peace at last to gain; Suff'ring still and doing, to His will resigned, And to God subduing heart and will and mind.

Higher yet and higher, out of clouds and night, Nearer yet and nearer, rising to the light; Light serene and holy, where my soul may rest, Purified and lowly, sanctified and blest.

Swifter yet and swifter, ever onward run, Firmer yet and firmer step as I go on: Oft these earnest longings swell within my breast, Yet their inner meaning ne'er can be expressed. Amen.

INSTRUCTION PERIOD

STORY-The Pharisee and the Publican praying in the Temple. Paul's experience on the way to Damascus.

OFFERING-Telling of its purpose and gathering it.

ANNOUNCEMENTS-Birthdays. Rehearsal of new hymns. Marking records. Memory work or Instruction in Worship.

TEACHING THE LESSON

CLOSING PERIOD

PRESENTING THE OFFERING-OFFERTORY HYMN

REPORTS

CLOSING HYMN-(No. 89) "Just as I Am"

Just as I am, without one plea But that Thy blood was shed for me, And that Thou bid'st me come to Thee, O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am! Thou wilt receive, Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve, Because Thy promise, I believe, O Lamb of God, I come.

Just as I am! Thy love unknown Has broken every barrier down; Now, to be Thine, yea, Thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come.

LORD'S PRAYER

FAITH

(A Service for Easter)

WORSHIP PERIOD

PRELUDE-Instrumental, "Gloria from Twelfth Mass," Gounod

CALL TO WORSHIP

Superintendent—All hail glad day, all hail glad day,
For Jesus lives, He lives!
As on that first bright Easter morn
His joy and peace He gives.

HYMN-RESPONSE (No. 63) "Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!"

The strife is o'er, the battle done; The victory of life is won: O let the song of praise be sung, Alleluia!

He closed the yawning gates of hell; The bars from heaven's high portals fell; Let hymns of praise His triumphs tell. Alleluia!

Lord, by the stripes which wounded Thee, From death's dread sting Thy servants free, That we may live and sing to Thee, Alleluia!

(In unison)-

O death, where is thy victory? O death, where is thy sting? The sting of death is sin; and the power of sin is the law: but thanks be to God, Who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

RESPONSE—Wherefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not vain in the Lord.

HYMN—(No. 64) "It Was Love"
Chorus.

In the shadow of the cross, 'neath the dark'ning sky, It was love that gave Him strength to die,
In the glory of the dawn, at the ending of the strife,

It was love that crowned Him with life.

RESPONSIVE SCRIPTURE

Leader—But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came unto the tomb, bringing the spices which they had prepared.

School-And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb.

Leader-And they entered in, and found not the body of the Lord Jesus.

School—And it came to pass, while they were perplexed thereabout, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel.

Leader—And as they were affrighted and bowed down their faces to the earth, they said unto them, Why seek ye the living among the dead?

School—He is not here, but is risen: remember how He spake unto you when He was in Galilee.

Leader—Saying that the Son of Man must be delivered up into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third day rise again.

School-And they remembered His words.

All—And returned from the tomb, and told all these things to the eleven, and to all the rest.

PRAYER

Almighty God, Who from the tomb of our Lord Jesus Christ hast caused the light of Eternal Life to shine upon the world; be pleased at this season of solemn joy, to shed abroad Thy love in our hearts by the Holy Ghost, and to inflame them with heavenly desires; that we may continually seek the things which are above, where Christ sitteth at Thy right hand, and also, abiding in purity of heart and mind, may at length attain unto Thine everlasting kingdom, there to dwell in the glorious light of Thy presence, world without end; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER HYMN-(No. 62, v. 2) "The Day of Resurrection"

Our hearts be pure from evil
That we may see aright
The Lord in rays eternal
Of resurrection light;
And listening to His accents,
May hear so calm and plain,
His own "All hail!" and, hearing,
May raise the victor-strain.

INSTRUCTION PERIOD

STORY-Appropriate for Easter.

OFFERING-Telling of its purpose and gathering it.

ANNOUNCEMENTS—Birthdays and Rehearsal of New Hymns. Memory Work or Instruction in Worship

TEACHING THE LESSON

CLOSING PERIOD

HYMN (No. 54)

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia. Sons of men, and angels say, Alleluia. Raise your joys and triumph high! Alleluia. Sing, ye heavens! and earth, reply! Alleluia.

Love's redeeming work is done, Fought the fight, the battle won; Lo, our sun's eclipse is o'er; Lo, He sits in blood no more. Alleluia. Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Christ hath burst the gates of hell; Death in vain forbids Him rise; Christ hath opened Paradise. Alleluia. Amen.

PRESENTATION OF OFFERING-OFFERTORY HYMN

REPORTS

LORD'S PRAYER

CLOSING HYMN

RESPONSORY

Leader—This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

School—Now the God of peace, Who brought again from the dead Our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep,
Make us perfect in every good work to do His will,
Working in us that which is well-pleasing in His sight,
Through Jesus Christ;
To Whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

FAITH

Religious Education

Bible Day, Christian Home, Church Day (Pentecost), Mother's (Parent's) Day, Opening of the Public Schools

WORSHIP PERIOD

PRELUDE-"Pilgrim's Chorus," Wagner.

CALL TO WORSHIP—Psalm 119.

Leader-Blessed are they that are perfect in the way,

School-Who walk in the law of Jehovah.

Leader-Blessed are they that keep His testimonies.

School-That seek Him with the whole heart,

Leader-Yea, they do no unrighteousness;

They walk in His ways.

 ${\rm School}{-\!\!\!\!\!-}{\rm Thou}$ hast commanded us Thy precepts,

That we should observe them diligently.

Leader-Oh that my ways were established

To observe Thy statutes!

School-Then shall I not be put to shame,

When I have respect unto all Thy commandments.

Leader—I will give thanks unto Thee with uprightness of heart, When I learn Thy righteous judgments,

All-I will observe Thy statutes:

Oh forsake me not utterly.

RESPONSE (Chant or spoken)

Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord, my Strength and my Redeemer.

PRAYER (in unison)

With my whole heart, have I sought Thee:
Oh let me not wander from Thy commandments.
Thy word have I laid up in my heart
That I might not sin against Thee.
Blessed art Thou, O Jehovah.

HYMN (No. 137), "He Leadeth Me"

He leadeth me; O blessed thought!
O words with heav'nly comfort fraught,
Whate'er I do, where'er I be,
Still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

Sometimes 'mid scenes of deepest gloom, Sometimes where Eden's bowers bloom; By waters still, o'er troubled sea— Still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

Lord, I would clasp Thy hand in mine, Nor ever murmur nor repine; Content, whatever lot I see, Since 'tis my God that leadeth me.

And when my task on earth is done, When by Thy grace the vict'ry's won, E'en death's cold wave I will not flee, Since God thro' Jordan leadeth me.

Refrain.

He leadeth me, He leadeth me; By His own hand He leadeth me; His faithful foll'wer I would be, For by His hand He leadeth me.

RESPONSIVE READING (The Ten Commandments)

Leader—A new commandment I give unto you that ye love one another.

School—If ye keep My commandments, ye shall abide in My love, even as I have kept My Father's commandments and abide in His love.

PRAYER HYMN (Hymn No. 105)

O love that wilt not let me go,
I rest my weary soul in Thee,
I give Thee back the life I owe
That in Thine ocean depths its flow
May richer, fuller be. Amen.

PRAYER (Pastor or Superintendent)

HYMN (No. 201)

The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord, She is His new creation by water and the word, From heaven He came and sought her to be His holy bride; With His own blood He bought her and for her life He died.

Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth, Her charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth; One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food, And to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.

'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation of peace for evermore;
Till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest
And the great Church victorious shall be the Church at rest. Amen.

INSTRUCTION PERIOD

STORY-Some good story on the Christian home.

OFFERING-Telling of its purpose and gathering it.

ANNOUNCEMENTS—Birthdays. Rehearsal of new hymns. Marking records. Memory work or Instruction in Worship.

TEACHING THE LESSON

CLOSING PERIOD

HYMN (No. 77)

Dwell in me, O blessed of Spirit,

How I need Thy help divine!

In the way of life eternal,

Keep, oh, keep this heart of mine.

Refrain.

Dwell in me, oh, dwell in me;
Hear and grant my prayer to Thee;
Spirit, now from heaven descending,
Come, oh, come and dwell in me.

Let me feel Thy sacred presence,
Then my faith will ne'er decline;
Comfort Thou and help me onward,
Fill with love this heart of mine. Refrain.

Dwell in me O blessed Spirit,
Gracious Teacher, Friend Divine;
For the home of bliss that waits me,
Oh, prepare this heart of mine. Refrain. Amen.

PRESENTING THE OFFERING-OFFERTORY HYMN

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RESPONSORY

Leader—Train up a child in the way he should go

School-And even when he is old he will not depart from it.

Leader-Wherewith all shall a young man cleanse his way

School-By taking heed thereto according to Thy word.

CLOSING SENTENCES (in unison)

For I am persuaded, that neither life nor death, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

LOYALTY

General Order of Worship

WORSHIP PERIOD

PRELUDE-Grand March from "Aida," Verdi.

CALL TO WORSHIP (in unison)

Be not weary in well doing.

For in due season ye shall reap if ye faint not.

Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong.

Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness.

Be thou faithful unto death

And I will give thee a crown of life.

HYMN OR CHANT (No. 161), "O Jesus, I Have Promised"

O Jesus, I have promised

To serve Thee to the end;

Be Thou forever near me.

My Master and my Friend;

I shall not fear the battle

If Thou art by my side,

Nor wander from the pathway

If Thou wilt be my Guide.

PRAYER (in unison)

We thank Thee, our Father, for the love and loyalty revealed to us in Jesus Christ. Thou didst give Him strength to remain true to His work even though the way was over Calvary. Give us a vision of His steadfastness. Let us be so devoted to Thee and to Thy will that no power on earth and no lust of the flesh shall ever cause us to depart from faithfully following Thee through the leadership of Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.

HYMN-"The Son of God Goes Forth to War" (No 192)

The Son of God goes forth to war, a kingly erown to gain; His blood-red banner streams afar, who follows in His train? Who best can drink His cup of woe, triumphant over pain; Who patient bears his cross below, he follows in His train.

The martyr first, whose eagle eye could pierce beyond the grave, Who saw his Master in the sky, and called on Him to save; Like Him, with pardon on His tongue, in midst of mortal pain, He prayed for them that did the wrong; who follows in His train?

A glorious band, the chosen few, on whom the Spirit came, Twelve valiant saints, their hope they knew, and mocked the cross and flame; They met the tyrant's brandished steel, the lion's gory mane; They bowed their necks the death to feel; who follows in their train?

A noble army, men and boys, the matron and the maid, Around the Saviour's throne rejoice, in robes of light arrayed; They elimbed the steep ascent of heav'n thro' peril, toil, and pain: O God, to us may grace be giv'n to follow in their train. Amen.

RESPONSIVE READING—Psalm 119: 1-16 or Psalm 119: 97-112. Or the Lesson for the Day.

PRAYER HYMN (No. 174) "Father of Eternal Grace"

Father of eternal grace,
Glorify Thyself in me;
Meekly beaming in my face,
May the world Thy image see. Amen.

PRAYER

INSTRUCTION PERIOD

STORY—Material may be suggested in the account of Isaac's loyalty to his father.

Joshua and Caleb, Esther, Ruth, Hosea, John, Paul, etc., or any good secular story, such as "The Story of Cincinnatus," "William Tell," or "Regulus." (See "Fifty Famous Stories Retold," Baldwin,)

OFFERING—Telling of its purpose. Gathering it. Marking records. Memory work, or Instruction in Worship.

ANNOUNCEMENTS-Birthdays. Rehearsal of new hymns.

TEACHING THE LESSON

CLOSING PERIOD

HYMN (No. 175), "I Would Be True, for There Are Those Who Trust Me"

I would be true, for there are those who trust me;

I would be true, for there are those who care;

I would be strong, for there is much to suffer;

I would be brave, for there is much to dare,

I would be brave, for there is much to dare.

I would be friend of all—the foe, the friendless;

I would be giving, and forget the gift;

I would be humble, for I know my weakness;

I would look up, and laugh, and love, and lift,

I would look up, and laugh, and love, and lift. Amen.

PRESENTATION OF OFFERING AND OFFERTORY

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ALLEGIANCE TO THE CHRISTIAN FLAG

I pledge allegiance to my flag, And to the Saviour for whose Kingdom it stands, One Brotherhood, uniting all mankind, In service and love.

LORD'S PRAYER

LOYALTY

For a National Holiday

Lincoln's Birthday, Washington's Birthday, Flag Day, Independence Day, Armistice Day, etc.

WORSHIP PERIOD

PRELUDE OR OPENING HYMN—"Patriotic." Elgar's "Pomp and Circumstance"
RESPONSIVE READING (standing)

Leader-Lord, Thou hast been favorable unto Thy land.

School-The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.

Leader-Blessed is that nation whose God is Jehovah.

School—Righteousness exalteth a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people.

Leader-Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers.

School—For there is no power but of God; the powers that be are ordained of God.

Leader—Render therefore to all their dues: tribute to whom tribute is due; custom to whom custom; fear to whom fear; honor to whom honor.

School—For so is the will of God, that with well doing ye may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men.

Leader—Now therefore if ye will obey My voice indeed and keep My covenant, then ye shall be My people.

School—As free, and not using liberty for a cloak of maliciousness, but as the servants of God.

Leader-What doth the Lord God require of thee?

School-To do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God.

Leader—And He made of one, every nation of men to dwell on all the face of the earth.

School—That they should seek God, if haply they might feel after Him and find Him.

All—For in Him we live and move and have our being, and He is not far from each one of us.

PRAYER (in unison)

Almighty God our heavenly Father, we pray that we may have strength to honor and serve Thee above all other interests in life. May we interpret all our national and international relationships in the spirit and according to the method of Jesus, that the governments of the world may become Thine. Let Thy love, Thy peace and Thy righteousness transform our hearts and minds until the whole of our public and private life shall praise Thy glorious name through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

HYMN-"Patriotic"

SCRIPTURE LESSON—The lesson for the day or one of the following: Deuteronomy 6; Joshua 1; Psalm 27; Psalm 105: 1-15 and 43-45; Psalm 119: 1-16; Proverbs 14: 21-35; Matthew 22: 17-21; Romans 13: 1-7; 1 Peter 2: 13-17.

PRAYER HYMN (No. 177), "Faith of Our Fathers" (one verse)

Faith of our fathers, living still
In spite of dungeon, fire and sword,
O how our hearts beat high with joy
Whene'er we hear that glorious word!
Faith of our fathers, holy faith,
We will be true to Thee till death. Amen.

PRAYER (Here may be offered the following or such other prayer as may be appropriate)

Lord, Thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations. In Thee our fathers trusted and they never were confounded. Thou didst lead them forth to places they knew not of, and wentest with them in the building of their homes. When they laid the foundations of our government Thy spirit inspired them to make liberty and justice, righteousness and the worship of Thy name the chief corner-stones.

We thank Thee for their faith, their achievement and their heritage to which we are called. May we fulfill our obligations and our opportunities. Give us devout and diligent minds, tender and courageous hearts, steadfast and enlarging faith. Give us the Christ-like spirit that it may be our joy to labor patiently, minister unto others generously, and serve daily our country and Thee.

As we have freely received from those who lived before us, may we so preserve, develop and use our inheritance that we may pass on as freely to our children an enriched blessing, that of the increase of Thy government there might be no end, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

HYMN-"Patriotic"

INSTRUCTION PERIOD

ADDRESS—A four or five-minute address on one of the following subjects: Righteousness, Social and National Liberty, Armistice Day, Justice, The Declaration of Independence, The Flag, Americanism, Constitutional Government, Citizenship, The Privilege and Responsibility of the Ballot, Religion and Democracy, or other similar subjects.

ANNOUNCEMENTS-Birthdays.

TEACHING THE LESSON

HVMN-Patriotic

PRESENTATION OF OFFERING-OFFERING HYMN

PRAYER

Almighty God, Who art both Creator and Father, from Whom proceedeth all power and dominion in heaven and earth, most heartily we beseech Thee to look with favou upon all who occupy positions of authority. Indue them with the spirit of wisdom, goodness and truth, and so rule their hearts and bless their endeavors, that righteous laws and a just social order may everywhere prevail.

Preserve us from war and from the fear and selfishness which lead to war; save us from that betrayal of our rights and duties that would lead us to conspiracy and rebellion. Keep us from personal and national sins and corruption. Make us strong and great in the fear of God and in the love and practice of righteousness; so that being blessed of Thee, we may be worthy to become a blessing to all nations, to the praise of Thy holy name, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

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CLOSING HYMN-Patriotic

EXTRA BIBLICAL WORSHIP MATERIAL

Intended as source material from which to draw in modifying the orders of worship given in this book and in building new ones.

Memorial Day

Leader-Be worthy of your noble dead,

So shall your hearts be comforted.

He is not lost who goes before,

But, standing in the Open Door,

He waits you there with outstretched hands,

Love's dearest, best ambassador.

School-Lord, Thou didst suffer more for me

Than all the hosts of land and sea.

So let me render back again

This millionth of Thy gift.

Joyce Kilmer.

Leader—To you from falling hands we throw the torch—be yours to hold it high;
If ye break faith with us who die,

We shall not sleep, though poppies grow, in Flanders Fields.

John McCrae.

School-That other generations might possess-

From shame and menace free in years to come-

A richer heritage of happiness,

He marched to that heroic martyrdom.

Alan Seeger.

Leader—Theirs not to make reply,

Theirs not to reason why,

Theirs but to do and die.

LINCOLN'S SPEECH AT GETTYSBURG.

- Leader—Fourscore and seven years ago our fathers brought forth upon this continent a new nation, conceived in liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal.
- School—Now we are engaged in a great civil war, testing whether that nation, or any nation so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure.
- Leader—We are met on a great battlefield of that war. We have come to dedicate a portion of that field as a final resting place for those who here gave their lives that that nation might live.
- School—It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this. But in a larger sense we cannot dedicate, we cannot consecrate, we cannot hallow this ground.
- Leader—The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here, have consecrated it far above our poor power to add or detract.
- School—The world will little note nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here.
- Leader—It is for us, living, rather, to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced.
- School—It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us: that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion.

That we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain; that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom; and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth.

Mother's Day

The love of a mother is never exhausted,

It never changes, it never tires.

It endures through all; in good repute, in the face of the world's condemnation,

A mother's love still lives on.

Washington Irving.

THE RIGHT KIND OF AMERICAN BOY

What we have a right to expect from the American boy, is that he shall turn out to be a good American man.

Now, the chances are strong that he won't be much of a man unless he is a good deal of a boy.

He must not be a coward or a weakling, a bully, a shirk, or a prig.

He must work hard and play hard.

He must be clean-minded and clean-lived and able to hold his own under all circumstances and against all comers.

It is only on these conditions that he will grow to be the kind of man of whom America can really be proud.

In life, as in a football game, the principle to follow is: Hit the line hard; don't foul, don't shirk, but hit the line hard.

Theodore Roosevelt.

Children's Day

GLORY OF GOD IN NATURE

The One Thousandth Psalm

Leader-O God, we thank Thee for everything!

School—For the sea and its waves, blue and green and gray, and always wonderful!

Leader—For the beach and breakers and the spray and the white foam on the rocks.

School—For the blue arch of heaven, for the clouds in the sky, white, gray and purple.

Leader—For the green of the grass, for the forests in their spring beauty, for the wheat and corn, and rye and barley.

School—For the brown earth turned up by the plough, for the sun by day, and the dews by night;

Leader-We thank Thee for all that Thou hast made and that Thou hast called it good.

School—For the glory and beauty and wonder of the world;

Leader-For the glory of spring time, the tints of the flowers, and their fragrance;

School—For the glory of the summer flowers, the roses and cardinals and clethra;

Leader-For the glory of the autumn, the searlet and crimson and gold of the forest; .

School—For the glory of winter, the pure snow on the shrubs and trees.

Leader—We thank Thee that Thou hast placed us in the world to subdue all things to Thy glory.

School—And to use all things for the good of Thy children.

All—We thank Thee! We enter into Thy work, and go about Thy business.

Edward Everett Hale.

Independence Day

ATHENIAN OATH (Translated from the Greek)

Leader—We will never bring disgrace to this, our nation, by any act of dishonesty or cowardice, nor ever desert our suffering comrades in the ranks; we will fight for the ideals of the nation: both alone and with others; we will revere and respect our nation's laws, and do our best to incite a like respect and reverence in those above us who are prone to annul and set them at naught; we will strive unceasingly to quicken the public's sense of civic duty, thus in all these ways, we will transmit this nation not only not less but greater, better and more beautiful than it was transmitted to us.

HUMANITY

School—With malice toward none, with charity for all, with firmness in the right as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in; to bind up the nation's wounds; to care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow and his orphans—to do all which may achieve and cherish a just and everlasting peace among ourselves, and with all nations.

Abraham Lincoln.

RIGHTEOUSNESS

Leader—I have lived a long time; and the longer I live, the more convincing proofs I see of this truth, That God governs in the affairs of men.

And if a sparrow cannot fall to the ground without His notice, is it possible that an empire can rise without His aid?

We have been assured in the sacred writings that except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it. I firmly believe this; and I also believe that without His concurring aid we shall succeed in this political building no better than the builders of Babel.

Benjamin Franklin.

FLAG EXERCISE

School—In the name of God we lift up our banner, and dedicate it to peace, union, and liberty now and forevermore. Henry Ward Beecher.

Apostrophe to the Flag

Leader-All hail to our glorious ensign!

Courage to the heart, strength to the hand, to which, in all time, it shall be entrusted. On whatsoever spot it is planted, there may freedom have u foothold, humanity a brave champion, and religion an altar.

Edward Everett Hale.

Salute to the Flag

School-I pledge allegiance to my flag

And to the Republic for which it stands;

One nation, indivisible,

With liberty and justice for all.

Leader-I am what you make me, nothing more.

I swing before your eyes as a bright gleam of color.

A symbol of yourself.

A picture suggestion of that big thing which makes this nation.

My stars and my stripes are your dream and your labors.

They are bright with cheer, brilliant with courage, firm with faith, because you have made them so out of your hearts.

WE ARE ALL MAKING THE FLAG.

Franklin Lane.

School—Peace should be made with all mankind. It should be our care not only to make peace, but to maintain it. But this will never be until we are persuaded that quiet is better than disturbance, justice than injustice, the care of our own than grasping at what belongs to others.

Oration on Peace, Isocrates, 400 B. C.

- Leader—We punish murderers and massacres among private persons. What do we respecting wars, and the glorious crime of murdering whole nations? The love of conquest is a murderess. Conquerors are scourges not less harmful to humanity than floods and earthquakes. Seneca, A. D. 4.
- School—Let us, then, as a nation, be just—observe good faith towards all nations cultivate peace and harmony with all, and give to mankind the example of a people always guided by an exalted justice and benevolence.

George Washington.

All-Righteousness exalteth a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people.

HYMN

Through tribulations and distress, they come!
Through perils great and bitterness
Through persecutions pitiless, they come!
They come by paths the martyrs trod,
They come from underneath the rod,
Climbing through darkness up to God, they come!
Out of mighty tribulation,
With a sound of jubilation,
They come! they come!

John Oxenham.

Thanksgiving

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A BLESSING FOR THE LOAF

Back of the loaf is the snowy flour,
And back of the flour, the mill
And back of the mill is the wheat and the shower,
And the sun, and the Father's will.

Maltbie D. Babcock.

ADDITIONAL PRAYERS AND COLLECTS

- 1. Meet us, O Lord, in all our doings with Thy most gracious favor, and further us with Thy continual help; that in all our works, begun, continued, and ended in Thee, we may glorify Thy holy name, and finally, by Thy mercy, attain to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
- 2. O Lord, who hast taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth; send Thy Holy Ghost, and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the very bond of perfectness, and of all virtues; without which, whosoever liveth is counted dead before Thee. Grant this for Thy only Son Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.
- 3. Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, Fountain of all blessings, the Giver of every good and perfect gift, send down upon us the healthful Spirit of Thy grace, that we may glorify Thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
- 4. O God, Thou art light, and in Thee is no darkness at all, draw us to Thy dear Son, our Saviour, who is the true light of the world. Grant us grace, as from the lips of those who teach us, to learn of Thee. Reveal Thy holy Gospel to us. By Thy Holy Spirit enlighten and instruct us in the knowledge of divine things. Deliver us from all unholy thoughts and desires. Unite us more closely to Thyself, and to all Thy children. Strengthen and confirm us in true piety; and guide our steps in the paths of innocence and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
- 5. Almighty Father, who hast promised that they who seek Thy heavenly wisdom shall find it; send down upon us the nurture and admonition of the Lord, that we may choose and love Thy way, and never depart therefrom, that when Thou makest up Thy jewels in Thy glorious kingdom, we may be Thine, for the sake of Thy Holy Child Jesus, our Saviour. Amen.

- 6. O Lord Jesus, who art the Good Shepherd, and dost lay down Thy life for the sheep; look mercifully upon this, Thy flock, and make it Thine forever, that we may love and serve Thee in constant obedience to Thy word, and, finally, be with those that come into Thy kingdom of glory. Amen.
- 7. O Lord, who didst come to seek and save that which was lost, and to whom all power is given in heaven and on earth; hear, we beseech Thee, the prayers of Thy Church for those who, at Thy command, go forth to preach the Gospel in all the world. Preserve them from all dangers, to which they may be exposed; and while they plant and water, send Thou the increase, gathering in the multitude of the heathen; so that Thy name may be glorified, and Thy kingdom come. Amen.
- 8. Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, we thank Thee that Thou hast given us godly parents and faithful teachers, so that in our childhood and youth, we know the Holy Scriptures whereby we are made wise unto salvation; and, we beseech Thee, help us by Thy Holy Spirit to understand Thy word, and to treasure its truths in our hearts, so that, as we increase in stature, we may also grow in grace, and in favor with God and man, until we come to eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
- 9. Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, by whose goodness we have now been instructed in Thy divine and saving truth; enlighten our souls to the full understanding of what has been spoken; and give us hearts to obey Thy will, that we may not only be hearers of spiritual words, but also doers of good works, and thus glorify Thee in a pure faith and blameless life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

For the Sick

10. Almighty and gracious God, whose mercies are over all Thy creatures, look in tender compassion, we beseech Thee, upon Thy servant, ———, who is sick. Sustain him in the trial through which he is passing, and sanctify it to his good. Deliver him from suffering, and, if in accordance with Thy holy will, restore him to health and strength that he may joyfully serve Thee in Thy Church, to the honor of Thy Name, through Jesus Christ Thy Son, our Lord. Amen.

For Meetings of Teachers and Young People

- 11. Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, whose we are and whom we serve; from whom cometh all wisdom profitable to direct, and help for every duty; be graciously with us in our present assembly. May all our counsels be ordered in heavenly wisdom, and crowned with Thine abundant blessing; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
- 12. Keep us mindful, O Lord, that we are not our own, but belong to our faithful Saviour, Jesus Christ. To Thee we dedicate ourselves anew. To Thee we offer all our designs, all our studies and endeavors, all that we have and are. Give us grace to renounce the vain pomp and glory of the world, and to choose the ways of love and good works, that being wholly taken up with labors of mercy, we may escape the corruptions that are in the world through lust. Make our hearts humble, our words rich with the savor of grace, our lives consistent and pure, that in all things we may be an example to the lambs of Thy flocks. Amen.
- 13. Bless Thy Church, we pray Thee, its Pastors, and all who labor and give, for its prosperity and extension. Raise up for it many friends who may joyfully serve it in

its various necessities. Increase the number of those who preach and uphold Thy word, that it may have free course, and win many to righteousness. Amen.

- 14. Let Thy special benediction be upon this congregation, upon its officers, its scholars, its teachers, and upon all its interests and efforts, that streams of blessing may issue from it, to the honor and glory of Thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.
- 15. Almighty God, who hast promised to hear the petitions of Thy people; we beseech Thee mercifully incline Thine ears to us who have now made our prayers and supplications unto Thee; and grant that those things which we have faithfully asked according to Thy will, may be effectually obtained, to the relief of our necessity, and to the setting forth of Thy glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.
- 16. Oh Lord, God of justice and truth, give me clean hands, clean words, and clean thoughts; help me to stand for the hard right against the easy wrong; save me from habits that harm; teach me to work as hard and play as fair in Thy sight alone as if all the world saw; forgive me when I am unkind; and help me to forgive those who are unkind to me; keep me ready to help others at some cost to myself; send me chances to do a little good every day, and to grow more like Christ. Amen.

William DeWitt Hyde.

17. Heavenly Father, Thou knowest I desire to do my whole duty now and always. Give me an open mind to hear Thy call and a willing heart to respond. May I be able through Thee both to do and to dare. Keep me from faltering or turning aside from any task Thou hast given me. May I be strong, having on the whole armor of God, and on every battlefield may I acquit myself like a true soldier of the Cross. Amen.

Judson Swift.

18. Lord Jesus, by whose voice the fishermen were called to a better fishing, constrain us, we pray Thee, by that same loving call, to follow Thee to the saving of others. Thou hast indeed been calling us this great while, as we listened indifferently, and turned to our small tasks once more. But now we are longing for the same spirit that drew the fishermen straightway to Thy side for service. Grant that we may be swift to answer Thee, and to take on the true spirit of Thy ministry. Amen.

Philip E. Howard.

19. O God of purity and grace, God of light and freedom, God of comfort and joy, we thank Thee for our country, this great land of hope, whose wide doors Thou hast opened to so many millions that struggle with hardship and with hunger in the crowded Old World.

We give thanks to the power that has made and preserved us a nation that has carried our ship of state through storm and darkness and has given us a place of honor and power that we might bear aloft the standard of impartial liberty and impartial law.

May our altars and our schools ever stand as pillars of welfare; may the broad land be filled with homes of intelligent and contented industry, that through the long generations our land may be a happy land and our country a power of good will among the nations. Amen.

Charles Gordon Ames.

RESPONSIVE READINGS

Advent

PSALM 111 (To be read responsively or in unison)

Praise ye Jehovah. I will give thanks unto Jehovah with my whole heart.

In the council of the upright, and in the congregation.

The works of Jehovah are great.

Sought out of all them that have pleasure therein.

His work is honor and majesty,

And His righteousness endureth forever.

He hath made His wonderful works to be remembered:

Jehovah is gracious and merciful.

He hath given food unto them that fear Him:

He will be mindful of His covenant.

He hath showed His people the power of His works.

In giving them the heritage of the nations.

The works of His hands are truth and justice;

All His precepts are sure.

They are established forever and ever;

They are done in truth and uprightness.

He hath sent redemption unto His people;

He hath commanded His covenant for ever: Holy and reverend is His name.

The fear of Jehovah is the beginning of wisdom;

A good understanding have all they that do His commandments:

His praise endureth forever.

Christmas

PSALM 2 (To be read responsively or in unison)

Why do the nations rage,

And the peoples meditate a vain thing?

The kings of the earth set themselves.

And the rulers take counsel together.

Against Jehovah, and against His anointed, saying,

Let us break their bonds asunder,

And cast away their cords from us.

He that sitteth in the heavens will laugh:

The Lord will have them in derision.

Then will He speak unto them in His wrath,

And vex them in His sore displeasure:

Yet I have set my king upon my holy hill of Zion.

I will tell of the decree:

Jehovah said unto me, Thou art my son: This day have I begotten thee.

Ask of me, and I will give thee the nations for thine inheritance,

And the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession.

Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron;

Thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel.

Now therefore be wise, O ye kings:

Be instructed, ye judges of the earth.

Serve Jehovah with fear,

And rejoice with trembling.

Kiss the son, lest he be angry, and ye perish in the way, For his wrath will soon be kindled.

Blessed are all they that take refuge in Him.

Epiphany

PSALM 8 (To be read responsively or in unison)

O Jehovah, our Lord, How excellent is Thy name in all the earth, Who hast set Thy glory upon the heavens!

Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings hast Thou established strength, Because of Thine adversaries, That Thou mightest still the enemy and the avenger.

When I consider Thy heavens, the work of Thy fingers, The moon and the stars, which Thou hast ordained;

What is man, that Thou art mindful of him? And the Son of Man, that Thou visitest him?

For Thou hast made him little lower than God, And crownest him with glory and honor.

Thou makest him to have dominion over the works of Thy hands; Thou hast put all things under his feet:

All sheep and oxen, Yea, and the beasts of the field,

The birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea, Whatsoever passeth through the paths of the seas.

O Jehovah, our Lord, How excellent is Thy name in all the earth!

Lent and Passion

PSALM 51 (To be read responsively or in unison)

Have mercy upon me, O God, according to Thy loving kindness: According to the multitude of Thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions.

Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, And cleanse me from my sin.

For I know my transgressions; And my sin is ever before me.

Create in me a clean heart, O God; And renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from Thy presence; And take not Thy holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation; And uphold me with a willing spirit.

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit:

A broken and a contrite heart, O God, Thou wilt not despise.

Easter

PSALM 146 (To be read responsively or in unison)

Praise ye Jehovah. Praise Jehovah, O my soul.

While I live will I praise Jehovah: I will sing praises unto my God while I have any being.

Put not your trust in princes, Nor in the son of man, in whom there is no help.

His breath goeth forth, He returneth to his earth; In that very day his thoughts perish.

Happy is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help, Whose hope is in Jehovah his God:

- Who made heaven and earth, The sea, and all that in them is; Who keepeth truth for ever:
- Who executeth justice for the oppressed; Who giveth food to the hungry.

 Jehovah looseth the prisoners;
- Jehovah openeth the eyes of the blind; Jehovah raiseth up them that are bowed down; Jehovah loveth the righteous;
- Jehovah preserveth the sojourners; He upholdeth the fatherless and widow; But the way of the wicked He turneth upside down.
- Jehovah will reign for ever, Thy God, O Zion, unto all generations. Praise ye. Jehovah.

Ascension

PSALM 24 (To be read responsively or in unison)

The earth is Jehovah's, and the fulness thereof; The world, and they that dwell therein.

For He hath founded it upon the seas, And established it upon the floods.

Who shall ascend into the hill of Jehovah? And who shall stand in His holy place?

He that hath clean hands, and a pure heart; Who hath not lifted up his soul unto falsehood, And hath not sworn deceitfully.

He shall receive a blessing from Jehovah, And righteousness from the God of his salvation.

This is the generation of them that seek after Him, That seek Thy face, even Jacob.

Lift up your heads, O ye gates; And be ye lifted up, ye everlasting doors: And the King of glory will come in.

Who is the King of glory? Jehovah strong and mighty, Jehovah mighty in battle.

Lift up your heads, O ye gates; Yea, lift them up, ye everlasting doors: And the King of glory will come in.

Who is this King of glory? Jehovah of hosts, He is the King of glory.

Whitsunday-Pentecost

PSALM 145 (To be read responsively or in unison)

I will extol Thee, my God, O King; And I will bless Thy name forever and ever. Every day will bless Thee; And I will praise Thy name for ever and ever.

Great is Jehovah, and greatly to be praised; And His greatness is unsearchable.

One generation shall laud Thy works to another, And shall declare Thy mighty acts.

They shall utter the memory of Thy great goodness, And shall sing of Thy righteousness.

Jehovan is gracious and merciful; Slow to anger, and of great lovingkindness.

Jehovah is good to all; And His tender mercies are over all His works.

All Thy works shall give thanks unto Thee, O Jehovah; And Thy saints shall bless Thee.

They shall speak of the glory of Thy kingdom, And talk of Thy power;

To make known to the sons of men His mighty acts, And the glory of the majesty of His kingdom.

Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, And Thy dominion endureth throughout all generations.

Jehovah upholdeth all that fall, And raiseth up all those that are bowed down. The eyes of all wait for Thee; And Thou givest them their food in due season. Thou openest Thy hand, And satisfiest the desire of every living thing.

Trinity

PSALM 67 (To be read responsively or in unison)

God be merciful unto us, and bless us,

And cause His face to shine upon us;

That Thy way may be known upon earth,

Thy salvation among all nations.

Let the peoples praise Thee, O God;

Let all the peoples praise Thee.

O let the nations be glad and sing for joy;

For Thou wilt judge the peoples with equity, And govern the nations upon earth.

Let the peoples praise Thee, O God;

Let all the peoples praise Thee.

The earth hath yielded its increase:

God, even our God, will bless us.

God will bless us;

And all the ends of the earth shall fear him.

General

PSALM 1 (To be read responsively or in unison)

Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the wicked, Nor standeth in the way of sinners, Nor sitteth in the seat of scoffers;

But his delight is in the law of Jehovah; And on His law doth he meditate day and night.

And he shall be like a tree, planted by the streams of water, that bringeth forth its fruit in its season, whose leaf also doth not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.

The wicked are not so, But are like the chaff which the wind driveth away.

Therefore the wicked shall not stand in the judgment, Nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

For Jehovah knoweth the way of the righteous; But the way of the wicked shall perish.

PSALM 16 (To be read responsively or in unison)

Preserve me, O God; for in Thee do I take refuge

O my soul, thou has said unto Jehovah, Thou art my Lord: I have no good beyond Thee.

As for the saints that are in the earth, They are the excellent in whom is all my delight.

Their sorrows shall be multiplied that give gifts for another god: Their drinkofferings of blood will I not offer, Nor take their names upon my lips.

Jehovah is the portion of mine inheritance and of my cup: Thou maintainest my lot.

The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant places; Yea, I have a goodly heritage.

I will bless Jehovah, who hath given me counsel; Yea, my heart instructeth me in the night seasons.

I have set Jehovah always before me: Because He is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.

Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoiceth: My flesh also shall dwell in safety.

For Thou wilt not leave my soul to Sheol; Neither wilt Thou suffer Thy holy one to see corruption.

Thou wilt show me the path of life: In Thy presence is fulness of joy: In Thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore.

PSALM 19 (To be read responsively or in unison)

The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament showeth His handiwork. Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night showeth knowledge.

There is no speech nor language where their voice is not heard.

Their lines is gone out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them hath He set a tabernacle for the sun,

Which is as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, And rejoiceth as a strong man to run his course.

His going forth is from the end of the heavens, And His circuit unto the ends of it; And there is nothing hid from the heat thereof.

The law of Jehovah is perfect, restoring the soul: The testimony of Jehovah is sure, making wise the simple.

The precepts of Jehovah are right, rejoicing the heart. The commandment of Jehovah is pure, enlightening the eyes.

The fear of Jehovah is clean, enduring forever: The ordinances of Jehovah are true, and righteous altogether.

More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold; Sweeter also than honey and the droppings of the honeycomb.

Moreover by them is Thy servant warned: In keeping them there is great reward. Who can discern his errors? Clear Thou me from hidden faults.

Keep back Thy servant also from presumptuous sins; Let them not have dominion over me: Then shall I be upright, And I shall be clear from great transgression.

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Thy sight, O Jehovah, my rock, and my redeemer.

PSALM 23 (To be read responsively or in unison)

Jehovah is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; He leadeth me beside still waters.

He restoreth my soul: He guideth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff, they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: Thou hast anointed my head with oil; My cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and lovingkindness shall follow me all the days of my life; And I shall dwell in the house of Jehovah for ever.

PSALM 34 (To be read responsively or in unison)

I will bless Jehovah at all times: His praise shall continually be in my mouth.

My soul shall make her boast in Jehovah: The meek shall hear thereof and be glad.

Oh magnify Jehovah with me, And let us exalt His name together.

The angel of Jehovah encampeth round about them that fear Him, And delivereth them.

Oh taste and see that Jehovah is good: Blessed is the man that taketh refuge in Him.

Oh fear Jehovah, ye His saints; For there is no want to them that fear Him.

Come, ye children, hearken unto me: I will teach you the fear of Jehovah.

Keep thy tongue from evil and thy lips from speaking guile.

Depart from evil, and do good; Seek peace, and pursue it.

The eyes of Jehovah are toward the righteous, And His ears are open unto their cry.

Jehovah redeemeth the soul of His servants; And none of them that take refuge in Him shall be condemned.

PSALM 46 (To be read responsively or in unison)

God is our refuge and strength, A very present help in trouble.

Therefore will we not fear, though the earth do change, And though the mountains be shaken into the heart of the seas;

Though the waters thereof roar and be troubled, Though the mountains tremble with the swelling thereof.

There is a river, the streams whereof make glad the city of God, The holy place of the tabernacles of the Most High.

God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved: God will help her, and that right early.

The nations raged, the kingdoms were moved; He uttered His voice, the earth melted.

Jehovah of hosts is with us: The God of Jacob is our refuge.

Come, behold the works of Jehovah, What desolation He hath made in the earth.

He maketh wars to cease unto the end of the earth; He breaketh the bow, and eutteth the spear in sunder; He burneth the chariots in the fire.

Be still, and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth.

Jehovah of hosts is with us; The God of Jacob is our refuge.

PSALM 95 (To be read responsively or in unison)

Oh come, let us sing unto Jehovah;

Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.

Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving;

Let us make a joyful noise unto Him with psalms.

For Jehovah is a great God,

And a great King above all gods.

In His hands are the deep places of the earth;

The heights of the mountains are His also.

The sea is His and He made it;

And His hands formed the dry land.

O come, let us worship and bow down;

Let us kneel before Jehovah our Maker:

For He is our God,

And we are the people of His pasture, and the sheep of His hand.

PSALM 96 (To be read responsively or in unison)

Oh sing unto Jehovah a new song: Sing unto Jehovah, all the earth.

Sing unto Jehovah, bless His name; Show forth His salvation from day to day.

Declare His glory among the nations, His marvelous works among all the peoples.

For great is Jehovah, and greatly to be praised: He is to be feared above all gods.

For all the gods of the peoples are idols; But Jehovah made the heavens.

Honor and majesty are before Him: Strength and beauty are in His sanctuary.

Ascribe unto Jehovah, ye kindreds of the peoples, Ascribe unto Jehovah glory and strength.

Ascribe unto Jehovah the glory due unto His name: Bring an offering and come into His courts.

Oh worship Jehovah in holy array: Tremble before Him, all the earth.

Say among the nations, Jehovah reigneth: The world also is established that it cannot be moved: He will judge the peoples with equity.

Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; Let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof;

Let the field exult, and all that is therein; Then shall all the trees of the wood sing for joy

Before Jehovah; for He cometh, For He cometh to judge the earth: He will judge the world with righteousness, And the peoples with His truth.

PSALM 100 (To be read responsively or in unison)

Make a joyful noise unto Jehovah all ye lands.

Serve Jehovah with gladness: Come before His presence with singing.

Know ye that Jehovah, He is God: It is He that hath made us, and we are His; We are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.

Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, And into His courts with praise:

Give thanks unto Him, and bless His name.

For Jehovah is good; His lovingkindness endureth for ever,

And His faithfulness unto all generations.

PSALM 121 (To be read responsively or in unison)

I will lift up mine eves unto the mountains:

From whence shall my help come?

My help cometh from Jehovah,

Who made heaven and earth.

He will not suffer thy foot to be moved:

He that keepeth thee will not slumber.

Behold, He that keepeth Israel

Will neither slumber nor sleep.

Jehovah is thy keeper:

Jehovah is thy shade upon thy right hand.

The sun shall not smite thee by day,

Nor the moon by night.

Jehovah will keep thee from all evil;

He will keep thy soul.

Jehovah will keep thy going out and thy coming in

From this time forth and for evermore.

PSALM 122 (To be read responsively or in unison)

I was glad when they said unto me,

Let us go into the house of Jehovah.

Our feet are standing within thy gates, O Jerusalem.

Jerusalem, that art builded as a city that is compact together;

Whither the tribes go up, even the tribes of Jehovah,

For an ordinance for Israel, To give thanks unto the name of Jehovah.

For there are set thrones for 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 my companions' sakes.

I will now say, Peace be within thee.

For the sake of the house of Jehovah our God

I will seek thy good.

PSALM 132 (To be read responsively or in unison)

Arise, O Jehovah, into Thy resting-place; Thou and the ark of Thy strength.

Let Thy priests be clothed with righteousness; And let Thy saints shout for joy.

For Thy servant David's sake turn not away the face of Thine anointed.

Jehovah hath sworn unto David in truth; He will not turn from it:

Of the fruit of Thy body will I set upon Thy throne.

If thy children will keep my covenant and my testimony that I shall seach them, Their children also shall sit upon thy throne for evermore.

For Jehovah hath chosen Zion; He hath desired it for His habitation.

This is my resting-place forever: Here will I dwell; for I have desired it.

I will abundantly bless her provision: I will satisfy her poor with bread.

Her priests also will I clothe with salvation; And her saints shall shout aloud for joy.

PSALM 148 (To be read responsively or in unison)

Praise ye Jehovah. Praise ye Jehovah from the heavens: Praise Him in the heights.

Praise ye Him all His angels: Praise ye Him all His Host.

Praise ye Him, sun and moon: Praise Him, all ye stars of light.

Praise Him, ye heavens of heavens, And ye waters that are above the heavens.

Let them praise the name of Jehovah; For He commanded, and they were created.

He hath also established them for ever and ever: He hath made a decree which shall not pass away.

Praise Jehovah from the earth, Ye sea-monsters, and all deeps;

Fire and hail, snow and vapor; Stormy wind, fulfilling His word;

Mountains and all hills; Fruitful trees and all cedars;

Beasts and all cattle; Creeping things and flying birds:

Kings of the earth and all peoples; Princes and all judges of the earth;

Both young men and virgins; Old men and children:

Let them praise the name of Jehovah; For His name alone is exalted; His glory is above the earth and the heavens.

And He hath lifted up the horn of His people, The praise of all His saints; Even of the children of Israel, a people near unto Him. Praise ye Jehovah.

PSALM 150 (To be read responsively or in unison)

Praise ye Jehovah. Praise God in His sanctuary: Praise Him in the firmament of His power.

Praise Him for His mighty acts: Praise Him according to His excellent greatness.

Praise Him with trumpet sound: Praise Him with psaltery and harp.

Praise Him with timbrel and dance: Praise Him with stringed instruments and pipe.

Praise Him with loud cymbals: Praise Him with high sounding cymbals.

Let everything that hath breath praise Jehovah. Praise ye Jehovah.

THE CHURCH YEAR

(Special Material)

Advent Season

OPENING SENTENCES (School standing)

Leader-Behold I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me.

School-The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light.

O'er the distant mountains breaking.

Comes the red'ning dawn of day;

Rise, my soul, from sleep awaking,

'Tis thy Saviour,

On His bright returning way.

Leader-O Lord, our Lord, how excellent is Thy name in all the earth!

School-Who hast set Thy glory above the heavens.

Leader-Hosanna to the Son of David;

School—Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Leader-The desire of all nations shall come.

School-A Light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of Thy people Israel.

Leader-Prepare ye the way of the Lord.

School-Make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

Or Psalm 8 (See page 46), closing with the

SERAPHIC HYMN (See No. 295)

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth; heaven and earth are full, are full of the majesty of Thy glory. Hosanna, hosanna, in the highest!

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, hosanna, in the highest.

PRAYER

Almighty God, give us grace, that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armor of light now, in the time of this mortal life, in which Thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that when He shall come in His glorious majesty to judge the quick and the dead, we may rise to life immortal, through Him who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, now and forever. Amen.

Christmas and Epiphany Season

CALL TO WORSHIP (School standing)

Leader-O Lord, open Thou my lips.

School-And my mouth shall show forth Thy praise.

Joy to the world, the Lord is come!

Let earth receive her King;

Let every heart prepare Him room

And heaven and nature sing.

Leader-Behold I bring you good tidings of great joy.

School-Which shall be to all people.

Leader-Unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Saviour.

School-Which is Christ the Lord.

Leader-He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest.

School-And the Lord God shall give Him the throne of His father David.

Leader-And He shall reign over the house of Jacob forever.

School-And of His kingdom there shall be no end.

Leader-Arise, shine; for thy light is come;

School-And the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.

Leader—Behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people;

School—But the Lord shall arise upon thee, and His glory shall be seen upon thee.

Leader—And the Gentiles shall come to Thy light;

School—And kings to the brightness of Thy rising.

Leader—The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light:

School—They that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined.

Leader-The glory of the Lord shall be revealed;

School-And all flesh shall see it together.

Or Psalm 2 (See page 45)

Or Psalm 8 (See page 46)

MAGNIFICAT (See No. 294)

PRAYER

Our Heavenly Father, who hast so loved the world as to give Thine only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him shall not perish, but have everlasting life; vouch-safe unto us, we humbly pray Thee, the precious gift of faith, whereby we may know that the Son of God is come, and being always rooted and grounded in the mystery of the Word made flesh, may have power to overcome the world, and gain the blessed immortality of heaven; through the merits of this same incarnate Christ, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Lenten Season

CALL TO WORSHIP (School standing)

Leader-God be merciful unto us, and bless us.

School-And cause His face to shine upon us.

Just as I am, without one plea,

But that Thy blood was shed for me,

And that Thou bidst me come to Thee,

O Lamb of God, I come! I come!

Leader-Behold the Lamb of God; .

School-Which taketh away the sin of the world.

Leader-He was despised and rejected of men;

School-A man of sorrows and acquainted with grief.

Leader-Surely He hath borne our griefs;

School-And carried our sorrows.

Leader-He was wounded for our transgressions;

School-He was bruised for our iniquities.

Leader—All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way:

School-And the Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all.

Or Psalm 51 (See page 46)

KYRIE (See No. 297)

PRAYER

We beseech Thee, O God, by the mystery of our Saviour's fasting and temptation, to arm us with the same mind that was in Him toward all evil and sin; and give us grace to keep our bodies in such holy discipline, that our minds may be always ready to resist evil, and to obey the motions of Thy Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Easter Season

CALL TO WORSHIP (School standing)

Leader—This is the day the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

School—We will come before His presence with thanksgiving; and enter into His courts with praise.

The Lord of life is risen,

Sing, Easter heralds, sing;

He bursts His rocky prison,

Wide let the triumph ring,

In death no longer lying,

He rose, the Prince, today;

Life of the dead and dying

He triumphed o'er decay.

Leader-The Lord is risen indeed.

School—He rose again the third day according to Scriptures.

Leader-Now is Christ risen from the dead.

School-And become the first fruits of them that slept.

Leader-For since by man came death:

School-By man came also the resurrection of the dead.

Leader-For as in Adam all die:

School-Even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

Leader-O death, where is thy sting

School—Death is swallowed up in victory.

All—Thanks be unto God, who giveth us the victory; through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Or Psalm 16 (See page 48)

Or Psalm 24 (See page 47)

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS (No. 293)

PRAYER

Almighty God, who through the resurrection of Thine only begotten Son Jesus Christ, hast overcome death, and opened unto us the gates of everlasting life: assist and support in us, we beseech Thee, the aspirations of Thy heavenly grace, that dying unto sin always and living unto righteousness, we may at last triumph over death and the grave, in the full image of our risen Lord; to whom with Thee, and the Holy Ghost, be honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

Whitsunday-Pentecost

CALL TO WORSHIP (School standing)

Leader—I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. School—Our help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth.

Come, Holy Spirit, heavenly Dove;

With all Thy quickening powers;

Kindle a flame of sacred love

In these cold hearts of ours.

HYMN OR CHANT-Venite No. 296

O come let us sing unto the Lord: let us make a joyful noise to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving: and make a joyful noise unto Him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God: and a great King above all gods.

In His hands are the deep places of the earth: the strength of the hills is His also.

The sea is His, and He made it: and His hands formed the dry land.

O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the Lord our Maker.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be; world without end. Amen.

RESPONSIVE READING

Leader-I will pour out my Spirit upon Thy seed;

School-And my blessings upon Thine offspring.

Leader-God hath put forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father.

School-Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities.

Leader-Create in me a clean heart, O God;

School-And renew a right Spirit within me.

Leader—Cast me not away from Thy presence; School—And take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Or Psalm 145 (See page 47)

PRAYER

God of all peace and consolation, who didst gloriously fulfill the great promise of the Gospel, by sending down the Holy Ghost on the day of Pentecost, to establish the Church as the home of His continual presence and power among men, mercifully grant unto us, we beseech Thee, this same gift of the Spirit, to renew, illuminate, refresh and sanctify our dying souls, to be over us, and around us, like the light and dew of heaven, and to be in us evermore as a well of water springing up into everlasting life: through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, be honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

Trinity Season

CALL TO WORSHIP (School standing)

Leader-The Lord is in His Holy Temple;

School-Let all the earth keep silence before Him.

Leader—Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;

School—Holy, holy, merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity.

Leader-Bless the Lord, O my soul;

School-And all that is within me, bless His holy name.

Leader-Bless the Lord, O my soul.

School-And forget not all His benefits.

Leader-Who forgiveth all thine iniquities.

School-Who healeth all thy diseases:

Leader-Who redeemeth thy life from destruction;

School-Who crowneth thee with loving kindness and tender mercies.

Leader—The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear Him.

School-And His righteousness unto children's children.

Leader-To such as keep His covenant,

School-And to those that remember His precepts to do them.

Or Psalm 67 (See page 48)

TE DEUM (The publishers of this Hymnal can supply excellent settings for this use)

PRAYER

Almighty and everlasting God, the source of all life and joy, who, by the glad sound of the Gospel, hast called us to have a part in Thy kingdom and glory; shine powerfully into our hearts, we beseech Thee, by Thy word and Spirit, and draw us with the cords of Thy constraining grace; that we may heartly 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.

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