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FORMS, PRINCIPLES AND RULES.

*Let all things be done decently and in order.*

1 Cor. xiv. 40.



# MANUAL.

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## 1.

### RECEPTION OF MEMBERS.

*During the reading of the Scriptures, candidates who are to be received on Profession of Faith will come forward.*

#### I. READING OF THE SCRIPTURES.

Jesus saith, "Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest; take my yoke upon you and learn of me, and ye shall find rest unto your souls; for my yoke is easy and my burden is light."

"And the Spirit and the Bride say Come; and let him that heareth say Come; and let him that is athirst come; and whosoever will, let him take of the water of life freely."

#### II. PROFESSION OF FAITH.

We believe in the one living and true God—Father, Son and Holy Ghost—who hath made Heaven and Earth and all that in them is; who still maintains and governs them according to the counsel of His holy will; who is supremely to be loved and obeyed, and alone to be adored.