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SERVICES.

First Service.

INTRODUCTORY SENTENCES.

COME, ye children, hearken unto me:
I will teach you the fear of Jehovah.
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 loving-kindness *endureth forever*,
And his faithfulness unto all generations.
Jehovah is good to all;
And his tender mercies are over all his works.

RESPONSIVE READING.

OH, that men would praise Jehovah for his loving-kindness,
And for his wonderful works to the children of men!
For he satisfieth the longing soul,
And the hungry soul he filleth with good.
Jehovah executeth righteous acts,
And judgments for all that are oppressed.
He turneth rivers into a wilderness,
And watersprings into a thirsty ground.
Ascribe unto Jehovah the glory due unto his name;
Worship Jehovah in holy array.
It is a good thing to give thanks unto Jehovah,
And to sing praises unto thy name, O most High;
To show forth thy loving-kindness in the morning,
And thy faithfulness every night.
Oh, magnify Jehovah with me,
And let us exalt his name together.

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PRAYER.

OTHOU that hearest prayer, and knowest the secrets of every heart, we adore thee as the only living and true God, the Father of all mankind. Thou hast created the heavens and the earth, according to thy pleasure, and filled the universe with witnesses of thy wisdom and power. All that thou hast made reflects thy glory, and magnifies thy name. Thou hast created us in the image of thyself, and called us by the tender name of children. And we would render unto thee some worthy offering of praise for thy love and kindness toward us. Day by day thou hast provided for our wants, and crowned us with thy richest favors. Thou art the light of our pathway, and the joy of our souls. Make us more worthy of thy love, more worthy to be called thy children. Let thy blessing rest upon our school, and thy Spirit upon all our hearts. Give unto each of us wisdom from on high, to guide us in all the ways of life, and grant us thy salvation, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE.

1. Praise ye the Fa - ther for his lov - ing - kind - ness! Ten - der - ly
2. Praise ye the Sav - iour, Son of God the Fa - ther! Earth is his
3. Praise ye the Spir - it, Com - fort - er of Is - rael, Sent of the

cares he for his earth - ly chil - dren; Praise him, ye an - gels,
her - it - age, he will bless his peo - ple; Sing ye to - geth - er;
Fa - ther, ev - er - more to bless us; Praise ye the Fa - ther,

praise him in the heav - ens; Praise ye Je - ho - vah!
praise him, all ye chil - dren, Praise ye the Sav - iour!
Son, and Ho - ly Spir - it, Praise ye the Lord of Hosts!

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Second Service.

INTRODUCTORY SENTENCES.

OH come, let us worship and bow down;
Let us kneel before Jehovah our Maker.
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving;
Let us make a joyful noise unto him with psalms.
I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God,
Than to dwell in the tents of wickedness.
For Jehovah God is a sun and a shield:
Jehovah will give grace and glory;
No good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly.

RESPONSIVE READING.

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.
He shall receive a blessing from Jehovah,
And righteousness from the God of his Salvation.
Lift up your heads, O ye gates;
And be ye lifted up, ye everlasting doors:
Lift up your heads, O ye gates;
And the King of Glory will come in.
Who is this King of Glory?
Jehovah of hosts,
He is the King of Glory.
I will extol thee, my God, O King;
And I will bless thy name forever and ever.
Every day will I bless thee;
And I will praise thy name forever and ever.
Oh satisfy us in the morning with thy loving-kindness,
That we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

PRAYER.

OUR Father who art in heaven, — the source of life and the giver of all good: Thou hast taught us to look up to thee in prayer, and to worship thee in spirit and in truth. Thou hast revealed thyself to us as our best and dearest friend, watching over us by day, and protecting us by night. Thou hast taught us to put all our trust in thee, for thou wilt never leave us nor forsake us. We thank thee that we are the

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children of thy love; that thou art leading us through all the changing scenes of life, and that wherever we may be, or whatever may befall us, we can say, from the fulness of our confidence and trust, thou doest all things well. Help us, our Father, to worship thee aright,—to open our hearts before thee in gratitude and praise. Give unto each of us that purity of heart which shall enable us to see thee in all the ways of life. Make us true and faithful followers of thy dear Son. Let thy blessing rest upon us while we are here together, and thy Spirit go with us, to guide us in the duties of the week before us; and to thy name be all praise and glory, forever. Amen.

DEVOTIONAL HYMN.

1. O, wor - ship the King, all - glo - rious a - bove! O,
 2. Thy boun - ti - ful care what tongue can re - cite? It
 3. Frail chil - dren of dust, and fee - ble as frail, In

grate - ful - ly sing his won - der - ful love! Our Shield and De - fend - er, the
 breathes in the air, it shines in the light; It streams from the hills, it de -
 thee do we trust, nor find thee to fall. Thy mer - cies how ten - der! how

An - cient of Days, Pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor and gird - ed with praise.
 ascends to the plain, And sweet - ly dis - tils in the dew and the rain.
 firm to the end! Our Mak - er, De - fend - er, Re - deem - er, and Friend!