

THANK-OFFERING SERVICE.

President—Wherefore also he is able to save to the uttermost them that draw near unto God through him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them.

All—Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which, according to his abundant mercy, hath begotten us again into a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. Thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ!

(While standing, recite the Apostles' Creed.)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord, who was conceived of the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth 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.

PRAYER.

Let us earnestly beseech him to give all Christian people a willing heart to sustain and forward the work of missions for the glory of the Triune God in the salvation of all men.

SCRIPTURE LESSON.

President—He was despised and rejected of men: a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief: and as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

Members—Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows, yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God and afflicted.

President—But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him: and with his stripes we are healed.

Members—All we like sheep have gone astray: we have turned every one to his own way: and the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all.

President—He was oppressed, yet he humbled himself and opened not his mouth: as a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and as a sheep that before her shearers is dumb, yea, he openeth not his mouth.

Members—By oppression and judgment he was taken away; and as for his generation, who among them considered that he was cut off out of the land of the living? for the transgression of my people was he stricken.

* By the holy catholic Church is meant the Church of God in general.