

¶ *The People remaining in the posture of prayer, the Minister shall pronounce*

THE BENEDICTION

THE grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you all. Amen. (2 Cor. xiii. 14.)

Or—

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of His Son Jesus Christ, our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. Amen. (Phil. iv. 7.)

¶ *After the Benediction it is fitting that the People remain bowed in silent prayer, beseeching God that none may leave His house without a blessing.*

¶ *Note that the last Hymn may be omitted, or its place in the service changed, according to the wish and usage of any church.*