

FORM OF PRAYER

FOR

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30th, 1870.

BEING THE DAY OF THANKSGIVING.

¶ The usual Morning or Evening Services, unless where it is otherwise provided in this Form.

¶ As Sentences :

How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the Gospel of Peace, and bring glad tidings of good things.—Romans x. 15.

O give thanks unto the Lord ; for He is good ; because His mercy endureth for ever.—Ps. cxviii. 1.

¶ Proper Psalms :

Psalms 65, 96, and 147.

¶ Proper Lessons :

First Lesson — Deut. xvi., 1—17 verses inclusive.

Second Lesson.—Romans xii.

¶ After the Collect for St. Andrew's Day.

O merciful God, at whose bidding the earth withholdeth her increase, or again rendereth her fruits in their season, give us grace to learn from all Thy Providences that we are entirely dependent on Thee for all that we enjoy, so that being duly persuaded that whatever blessing we receive at Thy hands is designed for our trial as well as for our comfort, we may use the same with a remembrance of Thy glory and the wants of those that are in need, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ After the Prayer for all Conditions of Men :

Almighty God our Heavenly Father, in whom alone we live, and move, and have our being, we beseech of Thee that Thou wouldst look graciously upon us Thy unworthy servants ; and as Thou

hast mercifully delivered us in the past from many and great dangers, for which we thank and praise Thee this day, so Thou wouldst preserve us from that terrible disease with which Thou hast visited our fellow-countrymen in the neighbouring Territories. We ask this mercy only for the sake of Thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ After the General Thanksgiving :

O Almighty God and Heavenly Father, we glorify Thee for all Thy great mercies towards us, for our deliverance from those great and apparent dangers wherewith we were compassed, and for the re-establishment among us of lawful authority ; for the safety of so large a portion of the harvest, which was so imminently threatened, and the prospect of freedom from the destructive scourge of grasshoppers ; but above all for Thy undeserved loving-kindness towards this land for so many years in the supply of the means of grace. Teach us while enjoying Thy temporal gifts to remember, that it is not by bread alone that man doth live, and grant that we may feed on Him who is the True Bread that cometh down from Heaven, even Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour ; in whose name we pray, and to whom, with Thee, O Father, and Thee, O Holy Ghost, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

¶ If the pre-Communion Service is used the Collect, Epistle, and Gospel for St. Andrew's Day, with the addition of the Collect appointed to be used after the Collect for St. Andrew's Day.