

“ Grant this, O merciful Father, for Jesus Christ’s sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.”

“ O God, our refuge and strength in every time of trouble, in whose hands are the issues of life and death, mercifully receive these our prayers and intercessions for our countrymen, and for those allied with them, now suffering the hardships of warfare in a foreign land. Be with them, we beseech Thee, in all their trials and privations. Let them enter into battle with hearts full of repentance towards Thee, and of faith in the Lord Jesus Christ ; and let their courage in their country’s cause be crowned with success, and tempered with mercifulness. Stay, we beseech Thee, the violence of disease. Relieve the sick and wounded with the consolations of Thy Blessed Spirit, and support the fatherless and widows in their affliction. Grant that all the sorrows and trials which are endured may work together for the everlasting welfare of those who suffer them. Hear us, O Heavenly Father, for the sake of Thy dear Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.”

Then the General Thanksgiving, to the end of Morning Prayer, as usual.

THE COMMUNION SERVICE.

After the Prayer for the Queen, or instead of the Prayer for the whole state of Christ’s Church, the following is to be used :—

“ O Almighty God, we beseech Thee of thy great goodness mercifully to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto Thy Divine Majesty this day in behalf of our kingdom and nation. We confess, O Lord, that during the long period of prosperity and peace with which thou hadst blessed our nation, we did not make that return for Thy mercies which Thou mightest justly have required at our hands. Mercifully forgive the sins whereby we have provoked Thy chastisement, and grant that we may learn righteousness from Thy judgments which are abroad. Take away from amongst us all pride and hardness of heart, and contempt of thy Word ; endue us with a spirit of piety and devotion, of justice and temperance, of humility and charity, as becomes our Christian profession ; that the blessings which we have long enjoyed, both spiritual and temporal, may through Thy providence, be continued to us and to our posterity. Above all, in every dispensation of Thy hand, whether it be of prosperity or adversity, teach us ever to lift up our hearts above this lower world to Thy heavenly kingdom, where pain and sorrow, and