

Children's Service.

HYMN. 338 (A. & M.)

"Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children."

mf. Heavenly Father, send Thy blessing

On Thy children gather'd here,
May they all, Thy name confessing,
Be to Thee for ever dear :

May they be, like Joseph, loving,
Dutiful, and chaste, and pure ;

f. And their faith, like David, proving,
Steadfast unto death endure.

p. Holy Saviour, who in meekness

Didst vouchsafe a Child to be,

cr. Guide their steps, and help their weakness,
Bless and make them like to Thee ;

p. Bear Thy lambs, when they are weary,
In Thine Arms, and at Thy Breast ;

cr. Through life's desert, dry and dreary,
Bring them to Thy heavenly rest.

mf. Spread Thy golden pinions o'er them,

Holy Spirit, from above,

Guide them, lead them, go before them,
Give them peace, and joy, and love :

Thy true temples, Holy Spirit,

cr. May they with Thy glory shine,

f. And immortal bliss inherit,

And for evermore be Thine. Amen.

LET US PRAY.

Our Father, which art in Heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, As it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation ; But deliver us from evil : For Thine is the Kingdom, The power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

Priest. O Lord, open thou our lips.

Ans. And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

Priest. O God, make speed to save us.

Ans. O Lord, make haste to help us.

Priest. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost ;

Ans. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

Priest. Praise ye the Lord.

Ans. The Lord's Name be praised.

PSALM. XCVIII.

O SING unto the Lord a | new | song : for
he hath | done | marvellous | things.

2. With his own right hand * and with his |
holy | arm : hath he | gotten. him- | -
self the | victory.

3. The Lord declared | his sal- | -vation : his
righteousness hath he openly shewed
in the | sight | of the | heathen.

4. He hath remembered his mercy and truth
toward the | house of | Israel : and all
the ends of the world have seen the
sal- | -vation | of our | God.

5. Shew yourselves joyful unto the Lord | all
ye | lands : sing, re- | -joice and | give |
thanks.

6. Praise the Lord up- | -on the | harp : sing
to the harp with a | psalm of | thanks | -
giving.

7. With trumpets | also. and | shawms : O
shew yourselves joyful be- | -fore the
| Lord the | King.

8. Let the sea make a noise,* and all that
| therein | is : the round world, and |
they that | dwell there- | -in.

9. Let the floods clap their hands,* and the
hills be joyful together be- | -fore the |
Lord : for he | cometh to | judge the
| earth.

10. With righteousness shall he | judge the |
world : and the | people | with | equity.

Glory be to the Father, | and. to the | Son :
and | to the | Holy | Ghost ;

As it was in the beginning * is now, and |
ever | shall be ; world without end | A- | — | -
men.

LESSON.—ST. MATTHEW XVIII. 1-6

1. At the same time came the disciples unto
Jesus, saying, Who is the greatest in
the Kingdom of heaven ?

2. And Jesus called a little child unto him,
and set him in the midst of them,

3. And said, Verily I say unto you, Except
ye be converted and become as little
children, ye shall not enter into the
Kingdom of heaven.

4. Whosoever therefore shall humble himself
as this little child, the same is greatest
in the Kingdom of heaven,