

Order of Service

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FOR PRIMARY CLASSES OR THE HOME LESSON

First Quarter, 1911

I. Let all rise, assume a reverent attitude and recite :

As we come together now,
We close our eyes, our heads we bow ;
We fold our hands, and pray Thee, Lord,
To teach us from Thy holy Word ;

To be among us while we stay,
To guard and guide us every day ;
And bring us home at last to Thee,
And let our eyes Thy beauty see.

II. SINGING. Hymn 511, Book of Praise.

God is always near me,
Hearing what I say,
Knowing all my thoughts and deeds,
All my work and play.

God is always near me,
In the darkest night
He can see me just the same
As by mid-day light.

God is always near me,
Though so young and small ;
Not a look, or word, or thought,
But God knows it all. Amen.

III. PRAYER.

IV. SINGING. Hymn 552, Book of Praise, vs. 1, 2. (These are the first two verses of the Supplemental Hymn for the Half Year. The verses should be learned one by one. As the little ones sing them Sunday after Sunday, they will soon come to know them by heart.)

Gracious Spirit, Love divine,
Let Thy light within me shine ;
All my guilty fears remove,
Fill me full of heaven and love.

Speak Thy pardoning grace to me,
Set the burdened sinner free ;
Lead me to the Lamb of God,
Wash me in His precious blood.

V. THE QUESTION ON MISSIONS FOR THE DAY. (See each Lesson.) The very little ones will not be expected to learn this by heart, but it may be repeated several times over, and any needed explanation given.

VI. OFFERING. Sing or recite while the offering is being made :

May we our offerings gladly bring,
To spread the news of Christ, our King.
Till every child shall hear the call,
And crown the Saviour Lord of all.

VII. A THREE MINUTE NATURE TALK, based on the following verses. The verses may be gradually memorized.

Heavenly Father, hear our prayer,
Take into Thy tender care,
All the seeds and plants that sleep
In their warm beds covered deep ;

Shelter from the wintry storm
All Thy snowbirds, keep them warm ;
Keep Thy children every day ;
This, O Lord, we humbly pray.

VIII. SINGING. Hymn 567, Book of Praise.

IX. LESSON FOR THE DAY.

X. SINGING. Lesson Hymn. (See each Lesson.)

XI. CLOSING PRAYER.

XII. DISTRIBUTION OF PAPERS, etc.