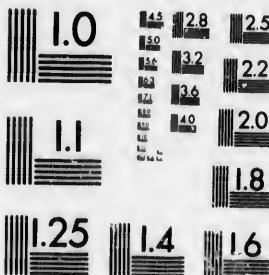
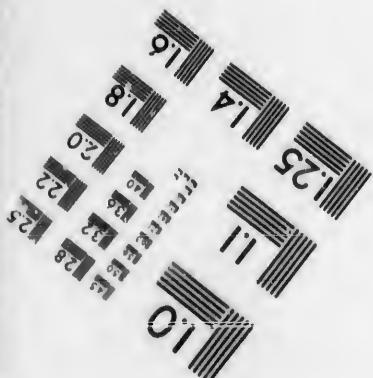
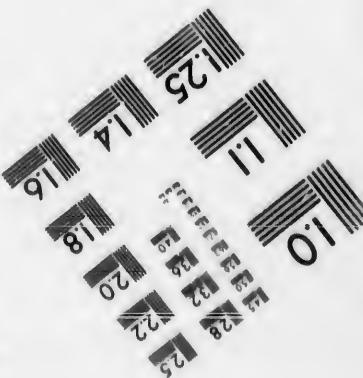


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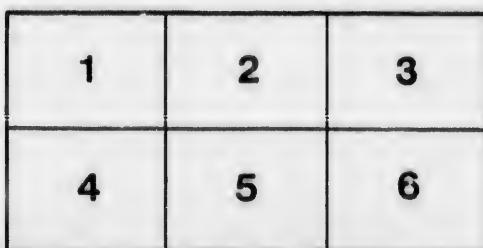
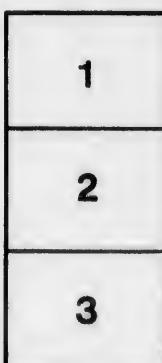
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THE ORDER FOR MORNING PRAYER.

¶ The Service shall be the same with the usual Office for Holy days, except where it is in this Office otherwise appointed.

¶ Proper Psalms, XXV, XXVI, XLVI.

¶ First Lesson, Isaiah LVIII.

¶ Second Lesson, Matth. III. to Verse 11.

¶ Instead of the Collect for the Day, the two following Collects are to be used.

ALMIGHTY and most merciful God, Creator and Governor of the World, we most humbly approach Thee with prayer and supplication for thy powerful succour in this time of our necessity. Look down from heaven, O Lord, we beseech Thee, and assist our warfare against an enemy to all Christian Kings, Princes and States; who, not having the fear of Thee before his eyes, trusteth in violence, and delighteth in blood. Confiding in thy Almighty power, and thine infinite goodness, we humbly and earnestly implore the pardon of our sins; and thy protection and deliverance from the calamities with which we are threatened.

Thou hast been our merciful God, from generation to generation. Our fathers trusted in Thee, and were holpen. We confess, with shame and sorrow, that in our prosperity we have not retained so grateful a remembrance of Thee as we ought; yet we have not forgotten thy holy name and word. We are deeply sensible that all our efforts will be ineffectual, unless Thou, O God, from whom alone cometh our help, and from whom alone it can come, goest forth with our fleets and armies. Our counsels, our hearts, and our hands, are under thy Almighty direction. Direct them, O Lord, to such exertions as may convince our enemies that we are thy people; and that thine arm, can set at naught and overturn the most daring designs against our peace. Convert us, we beseech Thee, to a full sense and practice of our duty; and make our enemies know and feel, that Thou art the supreme disposer of all events; and that those who lift up their banners against Thee, shall be humbled under thy mighty hand.

HEAR us, O God our Saviour; save thy people that trusteth in Thee, for the sake and through the merits of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O LORD, our heavenly Father, we acknowledge, with penitent hearts, thine infinite goodness in encouraging us to apply to Thee for succour, and to thy holy word for comfort. We have been signally blessed in the possession of thy true Religion, and in the enjoyment of temporal prosperity. But we have ungratefully forsaken Thee, the fountain of all happiness; neglecting the substance of our Religion, and making our worldly goods the instruments of evil desires. We

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feel and lament this prevailing sinfulness ; and devoutly implore the assistance of thy grace to restore us to a dutiful sense of Thee and of ourselves ; beseeching Thee to cleanse and sanctify our souls by the influences of thy Holy Spirit ; and in the multitude of thy mercies, to do away our offences, and to remember our iniquities no more. O let the light of thy countenance shine upon us this day ! Warm and invigorate our drowsy wills and affections ; confirm and strengthen our resolutions of amendment ; that we may put away all ungodliness and sinful lusts, and earnestly follow after the peace, which they have who love thy law : That so holding fast the profession of our faith in purity of heart and mind, we may finally become acceptable in thy sight, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ After the Prayer in the end of the Litany (We humbly beseech Thee, &c. the following shall be added.)

O Lord, most good and powerful, we thy sinful people, here assembled before Thee, do acknowledge it thine unspeakable mercy, that for our manifold and heinous provocations we are not utterly consumed, and given over a prey to our enemies. We confess with sorrow and confusion our long unfruitfulness under the means of grace, and light of thy Gospel, and the many wonderful deliverances of our Church and Civil Constitution, which thou in thy great goodness hast vouchsafed unto us. Shouldest thou, O Lord, enter into judgment with us for the crying sins that abound among us, our profaneness and infidelity, our heresies and schisms, our gross impurities, our lukewarmness in thy cause and neglect of thy ordinances, and other manifold offences, thou mightest justly inflict upon us the severity of thy wrath, and deliver us up to the insults of our cruel enemies : But there is mercy with the Thee, therefore shalt thou be feared. Thou art the Lord God, tender and full of compassion ; not willing that any should perish, but that all should repent and be saved. Look down therefore, we beseech Thee, with an eye of pity and loving kindness on thy servants, who with broken and contrite hearts do here bewail our transgressions and wretchedness. Let our land, in this time of trouble, still enjoy the light of thy countenance, and the blessings of thy bountiful hand ; and so work upon our hearts and minds by the influences of thy Holy Spirit, that being turned from the error of our ways, and created to newness of life, we may walk before Thee in all holiness and righteousness in this world, and inherit thine everlasting kingdom in that which is to come, through the merits of Jesus Christ, our only mediator and advocate. Amen.

THE COMMUNION SERVICE.

¶ After the Prayer for the King, instead of the Collect for the day, the two Collects appointed in its place at Morning Prayer [Almighty and most merciful God, and O Lord, our heavenly Father] shall be read.

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The Epistle, I. Peter II. Verse 11, to Verse 18.

The Gospel, Luke XIII. Verse 1 to 10.

¶ After the SERMON shall be read the following Prayers.

Blessed Lord, who at sundry times and divers manners hast manifested thine abundant mercy to our Church and nation, in thy marvellous protection of our religion, laws, and liberties, from the secret attempts and open conspiracies of malicious enemies; We, adoring thy glorious Majesty with all praise and thanksgiving for the same, do most humbly and earnestly beseech Thee to preserve evermore in our minds such a lively remembrance and grateful sense of these invaluable blessings, that by our exemplary and religious use of them, and happy improvements under them, to thy honour and service, thou mayest be pleased to grant a continuance of them to us, and to our posterity. Take away from us, O Lord, all hardness of heart, all neglect of thy ordinances, and contempt of thy word; and endue us with a spirit of piety and devotion, a spirit of justice and temperance, of humility and charity, and of all other graces which adorn the Christian profession; that so thy dreadful displeasure and judgements may ever be averted from us, and iniquity not become our ruin. Be thou pleased also with thine especial favour to guard and prosper our gracious Sovereign King George, with all the Royal family. Be thou to him, O Lord, an helmet of Salvation against his enemies that delight in war, and have not thy fear before them. Do thou, we pray Thee, blast their ungodly designs to subvert our holy religion and civil privileges; defeat their stratagems, and so put them to flight before his face; that the terror of his arms may add dignity and lustre to his crown, and bring safety, joy, and happiness to himself, and his dominions. Grant this, O merciful Father, for Jesus Christ's sake; to whom, with Thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory world without end. Amen.

O most merciful and Gracious God, to whom we have this day offered up our prayers and supplications for the pardon of our sins, and for deliverance from the evils of War; suffer us, we beseech Thee, to add our humble intercession for the repentance and conversion of men, who, having cast off their faith in Thee, the living God, and following the vain imaginations of reprobate minds, have plunged themselves into those horrible iniquities and cruelties, which astonish the Christian world. Grant, O Lord, unto us thy servants, whilst we behold with compassion the miseries they have inflicted upon the objects of their fury, to recollect, also with the deepest gratitude, the many calamities from which we are exempted by this merciful providence. What are we, O Lord, that Thou shouldest so regard us! O let thy mercy enter into our hearts, and make us truly thankful, fearful of thy displeasure, and sensible of thy presence; that, with hands and hearts lifted up unto Thee, we may so pass through the uncertainties of things temporal, that we finally lose not the things eternal: Grant this, O Lord through the merits of Jesus Christ, our Mediator and Redeemer. Amen.

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 THE ORDER FOR EVENING PRAYER.

¶ The Service shall be the same with the usual office, except where it is in this office otherwise appointed.

¶ Proper Psalms, LIII, LXI, CXXI.

¶ First Lesson, II. Chron. XX. to verse 25.

¶ Second Lesson, James IV. to verse 11.

¶ After the Prayer [Lighten our darkness] shall be read the following —

O most mighty God, and merciful Father, who hast compassion upon all men; and hatest nothing that thou hast made; who wouldest not the death of a sinner; but that he should rather turn from his sin and be saved; mercifully forgive us our trespasses; receive and comfort us who are grieved with the burthen of our sins. Thy property is always to have mercy; to Thee only it appertaineth to forgive sin and transgression. Spare us therefore, Good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed. Enter not into judgment with thy servants, who are vile earth and miserable sinners; but so turn thine anger from us, who meekly acknowledge our vileness, and truly repent us of our faults; and so make haste to help us in this world, that we may ever live with Thee in the world to come, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ Then the People shall repeat this that followeth, after the Minister.

Turn us, O good Lord, and so shall we be turned. Be favourable, O Lord, be favourable to thy people, who turn unto Thee in fasting and Prayer. For thou art a merciful God, full of compassion, long-suffering, and of great pity. Thou sparest when we deserve punishment; and in thy wrath, thinkest upon mercy. Spare thy people, Good Lord; spare them; and let not thine heritage be brought to confusion. Hear us, O Lord, for thy mercy is great; and after the multitude of thy mercies, look upon us through the merits and mediation of thy blessed Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ Then shall follow the Prayer [O Lord, most good and powerful] appointed at the end of the Litany in Morning Prayer.

¶ After the General Thanksgiving [Almighty God, Father of all mercies] shall be read the Prayers appointed after Sermon at Morning Prayer [Blessed Lord, who at sundry times and divers maners and O most merciful and gracious God].

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