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To be used before all general and ordinary Meetings.

⚠ In the Name of the FATHER, and of the SON, and of the HOLY GHOST. *Amen*.

OUR FATHER.

- V. Jerusalem lieth waste.
- R. And the gates thereof are burned with fire.
- V. Come let us build the walls of Jerusalem.
- R. That we may be no more a reproach.
- V. Our work is great and large.
- R. But our God shall fight for us.
- V. We are separated upon the walls, one far from another,
- R. But our God shall fight for us.
- V. Glory be to the Father, and to the SON, and to the HOLY GHOST.

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

Antiphon. We wait for THY loving kindness, O GOD.

PSALM xlviij.

Magnus Dominus.

GREAT is the Lord, and highly to be praised: in the city of our God even upon his holy hill.

- 2 The hill of Sion is a fair place, and the joy of the whole earth: upon the north side lieth the city of the great King; God is well known, in her places as a sure refuge.
 - 3 For lo, the kings of the earth: are gathered, and gone by together.
 - 4 They marvelled to see such things: they were astonished and suddenly cast down.
 - 5 Fear came there upon them, and sorrow: as upon a woman in her travail.
 - 6 Thou shalt break the ships of the sea: through the east wind.
- 7 Like as we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the Lord of hosts; in the city of our God: God upholdeth the same for ever.
 - 8 We wait for thy loving kindnesss, O God: in the midst of thy temple.
- 9 O God according to thy name, so is thy praise unto the world's end: thy right hand is full of righteousness.
- 10 Let the mount Sion rejoice, and the daughter of Judah be glad: because of thy judgments.
 - 11 Walk about Sion, and go round about her: and tell the towers thereof.
 - 12 Mark well her bulwarks, set up her houses: that ye may tell them that come after.
 - 13 For this God is our God for ever and ever: he shall be our guide unto death.

Antiphon. We wait for THY loving kindness, O GOD: in the midst of THY temple.

The Chapter.

Exodus xxxvj, v. I—3.

THEN wrought Bezaleel and Aholiab, and every wise hearted man, in whom the Lord put wisdom and understanding to know how to work all manner of work for the service of the sanctuary, according to all that the Lord had commanded. And Moses called Bezaleel and Aholiab, and every wise hearted man, in whose heart the Lord hath put wisdom, *even* every one whose heart stirred him up to come unto the work to do it: And they received of Moses all the offering, which the children of Israel had brought for the work of the service of the sanctuary, to make it *withal*. And they brought yet unto him free offerings every morning.

- V. But Thou, O Lord have mercy upon us.
- R. Thanks be to God.
- V. I will build up Jerusalem.
- R. Her foundations are upon the Holy Hills.

- V. Very excellent things are spoken of thee thou City of God.
- R. Her foundations are upon the Holy Hills.
- V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost.
- R. Very excellent things are spoken of thee thou City of God.
- V. ★ Our help is in the Name of the Lord,
- R. Who hath made Heaven and Earth.
- V. The Lord be with you.
- R. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

A LMIGHTY GOD, Who didst bless Bezaleel and Aholiab, when they laboured to beautify THY House, bless also us who unite to adorn THY Sanctuary, and to make the place of THY Feet glorious. *Amen*.

TRENGTHEN our hands, O GOD, in the building of Jerusalem, and in the adorning of THY holy place, that our enemies may not be able to hinder our work. Endue us with zeal, and wisdom, and courage that we may do the work boldly, wisely and zealously, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen*.

Memorial of S. Alphege.

To be used after all general and ordinary Meetings.

- V. One soweth.
- R. Another reapeth.

Antiphon. He that reapeth receiveith wages, and gathereth fruit unto life eternal: that both he that sowth and he that reapeth may rejoice together.

Let us pray.

BLESSED LORD whose servant Alphege did begin the work whereon we are engaged, grant that both he who laboured, and we who enter into his labours, he who laid the foundation, and we who build thereupon, he who sowed, and we who reap, he who cast his bread upon the waters, and we who find it after many days, may rejoice together when Thou comest to give all labourers their due. *Amen*.

Here may be inserted any of the Collects for special occasions, or the Offertory, after which the Chaplain shall say,

- V. The Lord be with you.
- R. And with thy spirit.
- V. Bless we the Lord.
- R. Thanks be to God.
- V. Let us depart in peace.

R. In the name of the Lord. Amen.

Collects &c. for Special Occasions.

The Prayer of Nehemiah.

To be used when an offering has been made by the Society to some Church.

REMEMBER us, O our GOD, concerning this, and wipe not out our good deeds that we have done for the house of our GOD, and for the offices thereof, but spare us according to the greatness of THY mercy. *Amen*.

A Collect

To be used when the Society is about to undertake the Restoration of a Church, or any part thereof.

GOD, who didst put into the heart of THY Prophet Ezra to rebuild THY temple; mercifully grant that we who desire to restore [*] Church in THINE Honour, may be blessed in our endeavour, and enabled to bring it to perfection, through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. *Amen*.

* Here name the part of the Church to be restored

A Collect

To be used before all Council meetings.

A SSIST us mercifully, O LORD, in these our deliberations, and dispose the way of THY Servants, the Council of this Society, towards the attainment of everlasting salvation; that among all the changes and chances of this mortal life, they may ever be defended by THY most gracious and ready help; through JESUS CHRIST our LORD. Amen.

A Collect

V. & *R.* to be used after all Council Meetings.

PREVENT us, O LORD, in all our doings with THY most gracious favour, and further us with THY continual help; that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in THEE, we may glorify THY holy Name, and finally by THY mercy obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

- V. The Lord be with you.
- R. And with thy spirit.
- V. Bless we the Lord.

- R. Thanks be to God.
- V. Let us depart in peace.
- R. In the Name of the Lord. Amen.

Offertory,

To be used at General Meetings.

Exodus xxxv. v. 5.

TAKE ye from among you an offering unto the Lord; whosoever is of a willing heart, let him bring it, an offering unto the Lord; gold, and silver, and brass.

PSALM lxxxiv.

Quam dilecta!

HOW amiable are thy dwellings: thou Lord of hosts!

2. My soul hath a desire and longing to enter into the courts of the Lord: my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.

- 3 Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house, and the swallow a nest, where she may lay her young: even thy altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.
 - 4 Blessed are they that dwell in thy house: they will be always praising thee.
 - 5 Blessed is the man whose strength is in thee: in whose heart are thy ways.
- 6 Who going through the vale of misery, use it for a well: and the pools are filled with water
- 7 They will go from strength to strength: and unto the God of gods appeareth every one of them in Sion.
 - 8 O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer: hearken, O God of Jacob.
 - 9 Behold, O God our defender: and look upon the face of thine anointed.
 - 10 For one day in thy courts: is better than a thousand.
- 11 I had rather be a door-keeper in the house of my God: than to dwell in the tents of ungodliness.
- 12 For the Lord God is a light and defence: the Lord will give grace and worship, and no good thing shall he withhold from them that live a godly life.
 - 13 O Lord God of hosts; blessed is the man that putteth his trust in thee.

PSALM lxxxvij.

Fundamenta ejus.

HER foundations are upon the holy hills: the Lord loveth the gates of Sion more than all the dwellings of Jacob.

- 2 Very excellent things are spoken of thee: thou city of God.
- 3 I will think upon Rahab and Babylon: with them that know me.
- 4 Behold ye the Philistines also: and they of Tyre, with the Morians, lo, there was he born.

- 5 And of Sion it shall be reported that he was born in her: and the most High shall stablish her.
 - 6 The Lord shall rehearse it when he writeth up the people: that he was born there.
- 8 The singers also and trumpeters shall he rehearse: all my fresh springs shall be in thee.

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