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and daily proceeding in all virtue and godliness of living.

THE Almighty God, the Father of our LORD Jesus Christ, grant you to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man; that, Christ dwelling in your hearts by faith, you may be filled with all the fulness of God. Amen.

¶ If it be necessary to baptize Adults in private, this Service may be used, or any portion of it, as the Minister may think best, provided there shall be a Confession of Faith, and the use of the Formula.

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THE ORDERS FOR THE BAPTISM OF INFANTS AND OF ADULTS

- 1. Page 473: ... "The Minister, standing at the Font," &c., down to and including the words, "and blessed them."
- 2. Page 478: . . . ALSO, "Hear the words of the Gospel," &c., to the words, "the end of the world. Amen."
- - Page 474:... "Beloved, ye hear," &c., "regarded little children."
- 4. Pages 478-480: ALSO, "Beloved, ye hear," &c., ... "the day of Jesus Christ."
- 5. Then shall the Minister say,

WHEREFORE, being thus persuaded of the good will of our Saviour toward all infants; and not doubting that he favorably alloweth the dedication of this child unto him; And, being likewise persuaded of the good will of our heavenly Father toward this person, truly repenting, and believing in his Son Jesus Christ; let us faithfully and devoutly give thanks, and call upon our blessed LORD in their behalf, and say,

6. To be said by the Minister and the People, all kneeling.

A LMIGHTY and immortal God, heavenly Father. the aid of all who need, the helper of all who flee to thee for succor, the life of those who believe, and the resurrection of the dead; We give thee humble thanks, for that thou hast vouchsafed to call us to the knowledge of thy grace, and faith in thee; Increase this knowledge, and confirm this faith in us evermore. We call upon thee for this child and this person now to be baptized: Of thy bounteous mercy, we beseech thee to receive them, and to grant them the forgiveness of their sins. Bless them, that being received into the membership of thy visible Church, they may be filled with thy Holy Spirit, and may grow in grace and godliness; and being steadfast in faith, joyful through hope, and rooted in love, may continue thine for ever; through Jesus Christ our LORD. Amen.

7. ¶Then shall the Minister say, the People all standing,

DEARLY beloved, ye have brought this child here to be baptized; ye have prayed that our heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ our LORD, would vouchsafe to receive him, to release him from his sins, to sanctify him with the Holy Ghost, to give him the kingdom of heaven, and everlasting life;

And thou, well-beloved, who art come hither desiring to be baptized: thou hast heard how the congregation hath prayed, that our merciful Father would vouchsafe to bless thee, and to fill thee with his Holy Spirit. Thou hast heard also that he hath promised in his holy Word to grant those things that we have prayed for: which promise he, for his part, will most surely keep and perform.

Wherefore, after this promise made by our heavenly Father, in Jesus Christ, thou must also faithfully, for thy part, in the presence of these thy witnesses, and this whole congregation, promise and answer to the following questions:

- - Page 475: ". . . do ye acknowledge the obligation," &c., . . . "We do."

10. Then shall the Minister say, MERCIFUL God, grant that the old Adam in this child and in this person may be so buried, that the new man may be raised up in them. Amen. 11. Pages 475, 476: "Grant that all sinful affections may die in" them, &c., . . . "through Jesus Christ our LORD. Amen." 12. Then shall the Minister in turn take each Child into his hands, and each Adult to be baptized by the right hand, and shall ask the Parents or the Witnesses the name, saying, Name this Child (or, Person). 13. ¶And then, naming the Child or Person accordingly, he shall sprinkle or pour water upon him (or else, shall dip or immerse him in the water discreetly), saying, N. I BAPTIZE thee In the Name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Chost of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen. 14. ¶After all have been Baptized, the Minister shall say, IX IE receive this child and this person into the congregation of Christ's flock; and pray that hereafter they shall not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified; but manfully fight under his banner, against sin, the world, and the devil; and continue Christ's faithful soldiers and servants unto their life's end. Amen. 15. Page 476: . . . "Then shall be said by the Parents, with the Minister,"&c., "through Jesus Christ thy Son, our Saviour. Amen." ... Then the Minister, turning to the Witnesses, shall say, Pages 483, 484: "Seeing now," &c., . . . "through Jesus Christ our LORD. Amen." 17. Then the Minister, turning to the Parents, shall say, "Forasmuch as ye," &c., ... "godliness of living." Page 477: 18. Pages 484, 485: "Then, all standing up," &c., . . .

all the fulness of God. Amen."