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OF  
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THE EDITORS INSCRIBE THE LABOR AND CARE THEY HAVE SPENT UPON  
THESE SERVICES.

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## PREFACE TO THE SERVICES.

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THE Selections from the Scriptures in the thirty-four Regular Services herein contained, together with the Superintendent's Readings which precede them, make up a history of the life of the Saviour as recorded in the four Gospels. The Revised Version—a few marginal readings being made use of—has been uniformly followed. Each service has a Responsive Reading, a Chant, a Prayer, and a Hymn, which are selected or written with reference to its Selection from the Scriptures. Thus each service, as well as the whole series, is a unit.

It was thought best that the Regular Services should all be formed upon a single model; and the content and length of the model service were such as seemed, by the acceptance given to various service-books now in use, to be adapted to the taste of the largest number of schools. In using one of these Services, the Sunday School as a body will take part in all except the Superintendent's Reading, reading in concert the Responses, the Selection from the Scriptures, and the Prayer, and singing together the Chant and the Hymn.

Services for Special Occasions and for the Infant Class have also been inserted. The latter have been prepared by one who for many years has had charge of a large primary class, and will therefore be found especially adapted to their purpose. The suggestion that services for the closing of the School be included, was not acted upon, because it is the Editor's opinion that the most fitting closing service consists of the singing of a hymn, the repeating in unison of the Lord's Prayer, and a benediction by the Pastor.

For suggestions, advice, and contributions to the devotional part of the Services, the Editor gratefully acknowledges his obligation to his brother-

clergymen. And he now sends "The Redeemer" forth upon its mission to the School, the Church, and the Home, with the prayerful hope that it may help to bring nearer to the hearts of men Christ and his blessed work in the world.

J. J. L.

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### PREFACE TO THE MUSIC.

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THERE will be found in "The Redeemer" several English tunes which have already become more or less popular in Sunday Schools. With these in mind as models, the Compiler's original work has been done. Three things in particular, suggested by a study into the elements of popularity in the English tunes, he has sought for in selecting and writing,—

First, that each tune should have a melody which even children can appreciate and remember ;

Second, that the three lower parts should move, except between chords very closely related, by the smallest skips in the diatonic scale ;

Third, that all modulations should be carefully prepared :

and he believes that singers who can sing concerted music at all will have no difficulty in sustaining the parts of the tunes,—provided that pianists and organists will take care to render all the parts as they are written.

The hymns have been collected from many sources ; a few of them appearing here for the first time in connection with music.

Grateful acknowledgment is made to the Rev. C. L. Hutchins, of Medford, to E. P. Dutton & Co., and to the Editor of "The Gloria" for permission to use hymns and tunes.

L. R. L.

SOUTH BOSTON, MASS.,  
*Christmas, 1887.*

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