

THE LESSON Ecclesiasticus 44:1-16

THE ANTHEM *Adoramus te, Christe*

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Adoramus te, Christe, et benedicimus tibi, quia per sanctam crucem tuam et passionem tuam redemisti mundum. Domine, miserere nobis.

We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee, for by thy holy cross and thy passion thou hast redeemed the world. Lord, show thy mercy upon us.

THE PRAYERS

*Minister:* Let us pray.

O God, make clean our hearts within us.

*People:* And take not Thy Holy Spirit from us.

*Minister:* Let us remember before God those who have gone on before us into Eternal Life.

Lord, we beseech Thee for those whose name and dwelling place and every need Thou knowest. Lord, vouchsafe unto them light and rest, peace and refreshment, joy and consolation, in the companionship of saints, in the presence of God, in the ample folds of Thy great love.

*People:* O Lord, hear our prayer.

A LITANY

*Minister:* Almighty and Eternal God, Who art from everlasting to everlasting, in Whom we live and move and have our being, within Whose providence the sons of men rise and pass away, and one generation praises Thy work to another, and declares Thy power:

For the influences of Thy Grace which shaped our childhood and youth, turned our feet to Princeton, and united our lives in the fellowship of our college and our class.

*People:* We thank Thee, O God.

*Minister:* For all those who taught us here, guided our minds into the paths of truth, and from their stores of learning corrected us in error, inspired us to courage, moved us to strong endeavor, and by example and encouragement helped us on our way.

*People:* We thank Thee, O God.

*Minister:* For the fellowship we shared in work and in play, for friends made, for joys found in victories, and for loyalty deepened by defeats; for the mirth, disciplines, and memories of undergraduate days.

*People:* We thank Thee, O God.

*Minister and* O God of all grace and love, we have thanked Thee with our lips.

*People:* Grant that we may also thank Thee in dedicated and faithful lives, through Jesus Christ our Lord.