

1552/9	1662	1789/90	1892	1928	1962	1979	2019
MORNING	MORNING	MORNING	MORNING	MORNING	MORNING	<i>Advent</i>	MORNING
		Hab. 2:20	Hab. 2:20	Hab. 2:20	<i>Advent</i>	Mk. 13:35-36	Phil. 1:2
		Mal. 1:11	Ps. 122:1	Ps. 122:1	Matt. 3:2	Isa. 40:3	Ps. 122:1
		Ps. 19:14	Ps, 19:14-15	Ps. 19:14	<i>Christmas</i>	Isa. 40:5	Ps. 19:14
Ezk. 18:27	Ezk. 18:27	Ezk. 18:27	Phil. 1:2	Ps. 43:3	Lk. 2:10-11	<i>Christmas</i>	
Ps. 51:3	Ps. 51:3	Ps. 51:3		Isa. 57:15	<i>Epiphany</i>	Lk. 2:10-11	<i>Advent</i>
Ps. 51:9	Ps. 51:9	Ps. 51:9		Jn. 4:23	Hab. 2:14	Rev. 21:3	Isa. 40:3
Ps. 51:17	Ps. 51:17	Ps. 51:17		Phil. 1:2	<i>Lent</i>	<i>Epiphany</i>	<i>Christmas</i>
Joel 2:13	Joel 2:13	Joel 2:13	<i>Advent</i>	<i>Advent</i>	Ps. 51:17	Isa. 60:3	Lk. 2:10-11
Dan. 9:9-10	Dan. 9:9-10	Dan. 9:9-10	Matt. 3:2	Matt. 3:2	Joel 2:13	Isa. 49:6b	<i>Epiphany</i>
Jer. 10:24	Jer. 10:24	Jer. 10:24	Isa. 40:3	Isa. 40:3	<i>Passiont.</i>	Mal. 1:11	Mal. 1:11
Matt. 3:2	Matt. 3:2	Matt. 3:2	<i>Christmas</i>	<i>Christmas</i>	Rom. 5:8	<i>Lent</i>	<i>Lent etc.</i>
Lk.15:18-19	Lk.15:18-19	Lk.15:18-19	Lk. 2:10-11	Lk. 2:10-11	<i>Good Fri.</i>	1 Jn. 1:8-9	Matt. 3:2
Ps. 143:2	Ps. 143:2	Ps. 143:2	<i>Epiphany</i>	<i>Epiphany</i>	Isa. 53:6	Joel 2:13	Ps. 51:9
1 Jn. 1:8	1 Jn. 1:8-9	1 John 1:8-9	Mal. 1:11	Mal. 1:11	<i>Easter</i>	Lk.15:18-19	Mk. 8:34
			Isa. 52:1	Isa. 52:1	Lk. 24:34	Dan. 9:9-10	<i>Holy Week</i>
			<i>Good Fri.</i>	<i>Lent</i>	1 Cor. 15:57	Mk. 8:34	Lam. 1:12
			Lam. 1:12	Joel 2:13	<i>Ascension</i>	<i>Holy Week</i>	<i>Easter</i>
			<i>Easter</i>	Ps. 51:17	Hb. 4:14,16	Isa. 53:6	Col. 3:1
			Mk. 15:6 +	Lk.15:18-19	<i>W. & Ember.</i>	Lam. 1:12	<i>Ascension</i>
			Luke 24:34	<i>Good Fri.</i>	Rom. 5:5	<i>Easter-Pent.</i>	Heb. 4:14,16
			Ps. 118:24	Lam. 1:12	Acts. 1:8	Mk. 15:6 +	<i>Pentecost</i>
			<i>Ascension</i>	Eph. 1:7	<i>Trinity Sun.</i>	Luke 24:34	Acts 1:8
			Hb. 4:14-16	<i>Easter</i>	1 Jn. 4:16	Ps. 118:24	<i>Trinity Sun.</i>
			<i>Whitsunday</i>	Mk. 15:6 +	<i>Saints</i>	1 Cor. 15:57	Rev. 4:8
			Gal. 4:6	Lk. 24:34	Heb. 12:1-2	Col. 3:1	<i>Thanksg.</i>
			Ps. 44:4	<i>Ascension</i>	<i>Rogation</i>	Heb. 9:24	Prov. 3:9-10
			John 4:23	Hb. 4:14,16	Ps. 145:18	Acts 1:8	<i>Any Time</i>
			<i>Trinity Sun.</i>	<i>Whitsunday</i>	<i>National</i>	<i>Trinity Sun.</i>	Habk. 2:20
			Rev. 4:8	Acts 1:8	Ps. 67:4	Rev. 4:8	Ps. 43:3
				Gal. 4:6	<i>Missions</i>	<i>Saints</i>	Isa. 57:15
			1662 list	<i>Trinity Sun.</i>	Mk. 16:15	Col. 1:12	John 4:23
				Rev. 4:8	<i>Worship</i>	Eph. 2:19	
				<i>Thanksg.</i>	Hab. 2:20	Ps. 19:4	
				Prov. 3:9-10	Ps. 96:9	<i>Thanksg.</i>	
				Pr. 3:19-20	Isa. 57:15	Ps. 105:1	
					Ps. 122:1	<i>Any Time</i>	
					John 4:23	Phil. 1:2	
					<i>Penitence</i>	Ps. 122:1	
					Lk. 15:18,19	Ps. 19:14	
					1 Jn. 1:8-9	Ps. 43:3	
					Dan. 9:9-10	Hab. 2:20	
					Isa. 55:6-7	Jn. 4:23	
						Isa. 57:15	

- The 1549 has no Opening Sentences. The rest require “one or more of the following sentences.”
- Until 20th century: “The Scripture moveth us in sundry places...” has just been demonstrated in these sentences.
- 1892 requires a sentence (as usual) but allows the omission of the Confession, rendering these a Call to Worship.
- 1979 and 2019 allow them to be skipped. 2019 implies other sentences may be used.

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EVENING	EVENING	EVENING	EVENING	EVENING	EVENING	EVENING	EVENING
<i>none</i>		Hab. 2:20	Hab. 2:20	Hab. 2:20			John 8:12
		Mal. 1:11	Ps. 26:8	Ps. 26:8	<i>seasonal</i>	<i>the MP list</i>	Ps. 26:8
		Ps. 19:14	Ps. 141:2	Ps. 141:2	<i>refer to MP</i>	<i>may be used</i>	Ps. 141:2
	Ezk. 18:27	Ezk. 18:27	Ps. 96:9	Ps. 96:9		<i>also</i>	
	Ps. 51:3	Ps. 51:3	Ps. 19:14-15	Ps. 19:14-15	<i>Worship</i>		<i>Advent</i>
	Ps. 51:9	Ps. 51:9	<i>Advent</i>	<i>Advent</i>	Hab. 2:20	Ps. 141:2	Mk. 13:35-36
	Ps. 51:17	Ps. 51:17	Mk. 13:35-36	Mk. 13:35-36	Ps. 96:9	Phil. 1:2	<i>Christmas</i>
	Joel 2:13	Joel 2:13	Matt. 3:2	<i>Christmas</i>	Isa. 57:15	Ps. 96:9	Rev. 21:3
	Dan. 9:9-10	Dan. 9:9-10	<i>Christmas</i>	Rev. 21:3	Ps. 122:1	Ps. 74:15-16	<i>Epiphany</i>
	Jer. 10:24	Jer. 10:24	Rev. 21:3	<i>Epiphany</i>	John 4:23	Ps. 16:7-8	Isa. 60:3
	Matt. 3:2	Matt. 3:2	<i>Epiphany</i>	Isa. 60:3	<i>Penitence</i>	Amos 5:8	<i>Lent etc.</i>
	Lk.15:18-19	Lk.15:18-19	Mal. 1:11	<i>Lent</i>	Lk. 15:18,19	Ps. 139:10-11	1 Jn. 1:8-9
	Ps. 143:2	Ps. 143:2	Isa. 2:5,3	Ps. 51:3	1 Jn. 1:8-9	John 8:12	Ps. 51:3
	1 Jn. 1:8-9	1 John 1:8-9	<i>Good Fri.</i>	Dan. 9:9-10	Dan. 9:9-10		Dan. 9:9
			2 Cor. 5:21	1 Jn. 1:8-9	Isa. 55:6-7		<i>Holy Week</i>
			Eph. 1:7	<i>Good Fri.</i>			Isa. 53:6
			<i>Easter</i>	Isa. 53:6	<i>MP & EP</i>		<i>Easter</i>
			Col. 3:1	<i>Easter</i>	<i>are the same</i>		1 Cor. 15:57
			(Asc?) Heb. 9:24	1 Cor. 15:57			<i>Ascension</i>
			Whitsunday	Col. 3:1			Heb. 9:24
			Rev. 22:17	<i>Whitsunday</i>			<i>Pentecost</i>
			Ps. 43:3	Rev. 22:17			Rev. 22:17
			<i>Trinity Sun.</i>	Ps. 46:4			Ps. 46:4
			Isa. 6:3	Rev. 22:17			<i>Trinity Sun.</i>
				<i>Trinity Sun.</i>			Isa. 6:3
			1662 list	Isa. 6:3			<i>Thanksg.</i>
							Pro. 3:19-20
							<i>Any Time</i>
							Ps. 96:9
							Ps. 16:8-9

Purple Text tracks the “Any Time” Evening sentences from the 2019 back into older books.

Blue Text tracks the “Any Time” Morning sentences from the 2019 back into older books.

Red Text tracks the original sentences into the newer books.

CONCLUSION: The *function* of the Opening Sentences changed in 1892 & 1928 from a “preparation for confession” to a “call to worship.”