

Call to Worship

Pastor: Advent is a call to repentance in preparation for Jesus ministry of salvation.

**People: Many of us are baptized Christians.
But there is still a need for change in our lives.**

Pastor: Jesus comes to baptize us with the Holy Spirit; and that calls for a life style which gives evidence of repentance.

People: We commit ourselves to new life in Christ, assured that he will enable us with the Holy Spirit to live that life.

Prayer of Confession:

Our Father, we preserve our certificates of baptism as proof of our allegiance to Christ; but our lives do not show that we have turned from our sins.

Forgive us for our superficial loyalty which prevents you from inspiring us with the Holy Spirit.

Come to our aid; that we may feel your Spirit strengthening us in the life revealed through Christ our Savior; in whose name we pray.

Amen.

I believe in God
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ
his only Son our Lord:
who was conceived by the
Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead,
and buried;

the third day he rose
from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand
of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to
judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Glory Be to the Father

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Glory be to the Father
and to the Son
and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be,
world without end.
Amen. Amen.