

Call to Worship

Pastor: If faith has been a family tradition, it may be we are thirsty for a more personal encounter with Christ.

People: Many of us have grown up in the church. We feel at home here. Perhaps that familiarity hinders what God would like to do with us.

Pastor: God would like to satisfy our thirst by revealing our sins so he can forgive us. Then we can really worship him!

People: We desire to empty our lives of all distractions, that God may fill us with his presence!

Prayer of Confession:

Worship almost becomes a habit, Father; and we do not feel our spiritual thirst is quenched.

It is too easy for us to go through our ritual of worship, and continue in a lifestyle of sin.

Forgive us for worship which is artificial, preventing us from drinking the life-giving water of salvation.

Reveal our sins to us, and then cleanse us; that we may be refreshed with your gift of new life in Christ Jesus our Lord, 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.