## Call to Worship

Leader: How do we welcome one little child in the name of Jesus?

- People: With hope, with enthusiasm, with respect, with the open arms of our heart, with an attitude of love.
- Leader: How do we welcome one little child in the name of Jesus?
- People: By calling the child into responsibility, by finding time to listen, by conveying that we value the child, by teaching what is right, by feeding the child's whole being.

## **Prayer of Confession:**

Compassionate God, we come as a church who wants to convey to children that this church home is a place that accepts them, loves them, and welcomes them, one by one.

Help us to bolster this hope by entrusting creative energy, our money, and the programs of the church for the nurture of children.

Help us to welcome each child, one by one. In the name of Jesus the Christ. Amen.



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## 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.