

Call to Worship

Leader: Our Lord's church is flesh and blood – people who are working to bring his Kingdom on earth.

People: Some people in the church do not seem to be much concerned about being Christians.

Leader: Some may not be Christians. But God will deal with them in his own way, in his own time.

People: May God help us be true Christians; so we can help, rather than hinder, the ministry of his church.

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Prayer of Confession: Father, your church is made up of sinners saved by grace, as well as sinners unconcerned about grace.

That disturbs us, and makes us want to cleanse your church of its impurities.

But none of us is perfect, and none of us has the right to exclude others.

Forgive us for our ambitious judgment which competes with your authority, and cripples the ministry of your church.

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Help us to be sincere in our faith, and in our service, regardless of the insincerity of others in your church.

We pray through Christ our Lord. 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.