

Call to Worship

Leader: Get the road ready for the royal visit:
make a straight path for Christ to travel!
The winding roads must be made straight
and the rough places smooth. All humanity
shall see God's salvation.

**Prayer of Confession: Holy God,
Messenger of the new covenant, flaming
Spirit, we confess that we are sinners
and cannot worship you worthily except
as we are purified and cleansed of our
sins.**

Let your Holy Fire refine our characters not merely our appearance, so that our very natures can become true and rich, purged of the dross of our deepest faults and the evil that corrupts us.

Fit both pastor and people to worship you in the purity appropriate to the house of God, through the fire of the Holy Spirit. 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.