

# Call to Worship

Pastor: Important as it is to be a church member, it is also a potential hindrance to being a Christian.

**People: If we are careless with our faith, church membership can become a poor substitute for Christian discipleship.**

Pastor: Being a Christian is a new life in which we live in the awareness that God is our Father, and all persons are our brothers and sisters.

**People: We want our faith to be strong enough to lead us into a new life, without letting our church membership excuse us from our Christian responsibility to God and one another.**

## **Prayer Of Confession :**

**We are your children, Father, but it is so easy for us to let our nominal attachment to your church be the extent of our discipleship.**

**And when we do get active, we become more concerned with maintaining buildings than ministering to human lives.**

**Forgive us for what we have done with your church, when you desire just the opposite.**

**Renew us to a vital faith that will make us your living church at work in our world.**

**We pray in Jesus' name. 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.