

# Call to Worship

Leader: God offers to all who believe what will sustain us and bring newness of life. Come, let us open our hearts to receive the truth God would have us know. Let us worship the God of life.

## **Prayer of Confession:**

**Some teachings just do not make any sense, God. We think we comprehend you, then realize we are trying to take your words literally and that is not what you meant at all.**

**We become discouraged and move closer to disbelief.**

**Your symbols and parables and metaphors are at once confusing yet clear as they point us toward truth.**

**Move us toward better understanding so we will respond from spirit as well as from the head to your 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.