# The Apostles' Creed: What Christians Believe and Why I Believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and Earth

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## **Thoughts for the Day**

Without a doubt, the mightiest thought the mind can entertain is the thought of God.

~ A.W. Tozer

As the fear of God is the beginning of wisdom, so the denial of God is the height of foolishness.

~ R.C. Sproul

The Christian faith allows us to see further and deeper, to appreciate that nature is studded with signs, radiant with reminders, and emblazoned with symbols of God, our creator and redeemer. ~ Alister McGrath

The God of the Bible is also the God of the genome. God can be found in the cathedral and in the laboratory.

~ Francis Collins

#### **COMING TOGETHER TO WORSHIP**

Prelude Laura Huckin

**Gathering Song** 

Everlasting God

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord We will wait upon the Lord, we will wait upon the Lord Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord We will wait upon the Lord, we will wait upon the Lord

> Our God, You reign forever Our Hope, our strong Deliverer

You are the everlasting God, the everlasting God You do not faint, You won't grow weary You're the defender of the weak, You comfort those in need You lift us up on wings like eagles

(repeat all)

**Welcome and Opening Prayer** 

Rev. Ben Pascal

Song of Praise

Psalm 34: Taste and See

I sought the Lord and He answered me And delivered me from every fear Those who look on Him are radiant They'll never be ashamed, they'll never be ashamed

This poor man cried and the Lord heard me And saved me from my enemies The Son of God surrounds His saints He will deliver them, He will deliver them

Chorus:

Magnify the Lord with me, come exalt His name together Glorify the Lord with me, come exalt His name forever

O taste and see that the Lord is good
O blessed is he who hides in Him
O fear the Lord O all you saints
He'll give you everything, He'll give you everything

Chorus

Let us bless the Lord every day and night Never ending praise, may our incense rise (repeat)

Chorus

# Unison Prayer of Confession 1

Mike Smerklo

Almighty God, Lord of all life, you are the One in whom we live and move and have our being. Whether we acknowledge your presence or not, you are here. Whether we sense your guiding hand or not, you lead. Whether we act as if we are on your team or not, we are. You have called us. You have claimed our lives. You have designed for us a purpose. You patiently wait until we let go of our demands and begin to live by your commands. Thank you for your patient love.

God of all understanding, we suffer from cataracts of the spirit, glaucoma of the soul. Strangely, we think it is you who cannot see. We behave as if there is no God. We live as if our actions only impact the temporal, human world. We have lost the vision that we belong to your kingdom. We have lost understanding of who is ultimately in charge. We alienate one another by forgetting that when you are God, all else is relative. Forgive us our arrogance, O Lord. Lead us in the paths of right-ness. Teach us to live so we can fulfill our purpose in advancing your will in this world. Help us to follow Christ Jesus our Lord. In his name we pray. Amen.

#### **Words of Assurance**

## **Song of Response**

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (Hymn 376, v. 1,2,4)

Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heaven, to earth come down,
Fix in us Thy humble dwelling,
All Thy faithful mercies crown!
Jesus, Thou art all compassion,
Pure, unbounded love Thou art;
Visit us with Thy salvation, enter, every trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit
Into every troubled breast!
Let us all in Thee inherit, let us find the promised rest;

Take away the love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be; End of faith, as its beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

Finish, then, Thy new creation; pure and spotless let us be; Let us see Thy great salvation perfectly restored in Thee Changed from glory into glory, till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our crowns before Thee, Lost in wonder, love and praise.

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# Song of Praise

Unashamed Love

You're callin' me to lay aside the worries of my day
To quiet down my busy mind, find a hiding place
Worthy, You are worthy
I open up my heart and let my spirit worship Yours
I open up my mouth and let a song of praise come forth
Worthy, You are worthy

Of a childlike faith, and of my honest praise And of my unashamed love Of a holy life, and of my sacrifice, and of my unashamed love

(repeat all)

#### Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.
Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done
On earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins,
As we forgive those who've sinned against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,
For Thine is the Kingdom, and the Power,
and the Glory forever. Amen.

## **HEARING GOD'S WORD**

**Old Testament** Psalm 8 Abby Smerklo **New Testament** Acts 17:24-28

#### **Hymn of Praise**

All Creatures of Our God and King All creatures of our God and King Lift up your voice and with us sing O praise Him, alleluia Thou burning sun with golden beam Thou silver moon with softer gleam O praise Him O praise Him Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Thou rushing wind that art so strong
Ye clouds that sail in Heav'n along
O praise Him, alleluia
Thou rising moon in praise rejoice
Ye lights of evening find a voice
O praise Him O praise Him
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Let all things their Creator bless
And worship Him in humbleness
O praise Him, alleluia
Praise, praise the Father praise the Son
And praise the Spirit three in One
O praise Him O praise Him
Alleluia alleluia alleluia

# The Apostles' Creed (Ecumenical)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated on the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living 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.

## Time for Reflection and Study

Rev. Ben Pascal

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# BEING SENT OUT INTO THE WORLD

#### **Benediction Song**

Let There Be Love Shared Among Us

Let there be love shared among us, let there be love in our eyes May now Your love sweep this nation, cause us Oh Lord to arise Give us a fresh understanding of family love that is real Let there be love shared among us, let there be love

#### The Benediction Spoken

Musicians

Piano and Vocals: Laura Huckin Guitar and Vocals: Peter Keenan Guitar and Vocals: Karee Miller-Jaeger

Vocals: Christine Schuller

1 Prayers for Worship and Reflection by Rev. Dr. Paul E. Hayden