

Baptism of Bethany, Emma, Jacob and Miriam

Minister: Bethany, Emma, Jacob and Miriam have come forward today for baptism into the Christian faith. Let us now profess that faith together:

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of Heaven and Earth.
I believe 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, died and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into Heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, God's holy universal Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Apostles' Creed (3rd-4th Centuries)

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Do you turn to Christ?

I turn to Christ

Do you repent of your sins?

I repent of my sins

Do you renounce evil?

I renounce evil

Do you believe and trust in God the Father
who made the world?

I believe and trust in him

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ
who redeemed mankind?

I believe and trust in him

Do you believe and trust in his Holy Spirit
who enables us to repent and believe the Gospel?

I believe and trust in him

Do you want to be baptised into this faith?

That is my wish

Minister: This is the faith of the Church.

All: **This is our faith, we believe and trust in one God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

Minister: The gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ calls us to turn from sin in repentance and faith. We now have the opportunity to acknowledge God's good law, confess our failure to keep it, and to pray for God's help to do so from now on.

You shall have no other gods other than me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol.

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

Remember to keep the Sabbath day holy.

Lord, have mercy on us, and incline our hearts to keep these laws.

Honour your father and your mother.

You shall not commit murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.

You shall not covet.

Lord, have mercy on us, and write all these laws on our hearts, through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

Minister (to the candidates): Will you seek to obediently follow God's holy will and commandment and walk in them for the rest of your life?

I will try to do so, with the Lord as my helper

(The candidate[s] may now give a testimony to the Lord's dealings with him/her)

The Baptism

Minister: I baptise you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

All: **We welcome you into the Lord's family. We are members together of the body of Christ; we are children of the same heavenly Father; we are inheritors together of the kingdom of God. Do not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified, fight valiantly under his banner against the world, the flesh and the devil, and continue Christ's faithful soldier and servant to your life's end. Amen**

All: **Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be Your Name,
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory
are Yours, now and for ever. Amen.**