

The Apostles' Creed

Written forms of this creed date back to the third century. It was composed in part as a response to Gnosticism, which denied the physical reality of Jesus. Today this creed serves as an ecumenical symbol of faith and is used in several Canadian Anglican liturgies including the service of baptism, and morning and evening prayer.

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He 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,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again
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.