



St. Bart's Collective Worship Themes

Summer 2: We believe in...

Throughout the life of the church, Christian belief has been summarised into short, memorable "creeds" which are still used by Christians today as a helpful way of reminding and explaining what God teaches through the Bible. One of the most comprehensive and helpful is the Nicene Creed. The Bible doesn't speak about every decision that people have to make – it explains the most important message of God's grace and how to get back into a right relationship with Him. This half-term we will start by looking at belief as a choice that people make and then work our way through the Nicene Creed to reflect on some big truths.

Do read and try to understand the entire creed and, each week, consider the full block (not just the short title given). A simple Bible reference is given for each worship time that would be good to include. The entire creed is included on the last page.

Week 1.

What leads us to believe?

The Nicene Creed (*block breakdown for each week*)

<p>Week 2. We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.</p>	<p>Week 4. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.</p>	<p>Week 6. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.</p>
<p>Week 3. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.</p>	<p>Week 5. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.</p>	<p>Week 7. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.</p>

Week	Memory verse	Monday Whole School Worship	Tuesday Songs of Worship	Wednesday Lower School in Class Upper School together	Thursday Lower School together Upper School in Class	Friday Class Reflection
	<p>So then, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message comes through preaching Christ.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Romans 10:17</i></p>	<p>Seeing & believing Jesus gives Bartimaeus his sight as a sign of God's compassion and authority. God knows and wants what is best for us so we should follow him teaching.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Mark 10:46-52</i></p>		<p>Not Seeing & believing The risen Jesus appears to the disciples but Thomas isn't there and doesn't believe. Jesus appears again a week later. Thomas believes but Jesus points to those who will believe without seeing.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>John 20:19-31</i></p>	<p>Trusting those who have seen If we haven't seen things for ourselves we must rely on those who have.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>1 John 1:1-5</i></p>	<p>Reflect on what we personally believe and why.</p> <p>Time to review the week and share prayer needs.</p>
	<p>There is one God and Father of all people, who is Lord of all, works through all, and is in all.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Ephesians 4:6</i></p>	<p>We believe in one God There are no other Gods.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Ephesians 4:6</i></p>		<p>The Father, the Almighty God isn't a distant being; He is our Father but much bigger and better than any human father.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>2 Corinthians 6:18</i></p>	<p>Maker of Heaven and Earth God planned and made the whole universe.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Genesis 1:1</i></p>	<p>Reflect on what we personally believe and why.</p> <p>Time to review the week and share prayer needs.</p>
	<p>Yet there is for us only one God, the Father, who is the Creator of all things and for whom we live; and there is only one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom all things were created and through whom we live.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>1 Corinthians 8:6</i></p>	<p>We believe in one Lord "Lord" means being in charge.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>1 Corinthians 8:6</i></p>		<p>The only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father Jesus is God. He wasn't created.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>John 3:16 & Colossians 1:15</i></p>	<p>Through him all things were made Jesus was the one who created everything.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Colossians 1:16</i></p>	<p>Reflect on what we personally believe and why.</p> <p>Time to review the week and share prayer needs.</p>

	<p>For God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not die but have eternal life.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>John 3:16</i></p>	<p>For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven</p> <p>Jesus' mission was to save us.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>John 3:16</i></p>		<p>And was made man</p> <p>Jesus was fully God and also fully man.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>John 1:14</i></p>	<p>He suffered death and was buried</p> <p>Jesus saved us by dying in our place.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>1 Peter 2:24</i></p>	<p>Reflect on what we personally believe and why.</p> <p>Time to review the week and share prayer needs.</p>
	<p>I passed on to you what I received, which is of the greatest importance: that Christ died for our sins, as written in the Scriptures; that he was buried and that he was raised to life three days later, as written in the Scriptures;</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>1 Corinthians 15:3-4</i></p>	<p>He rose again in accordance with the Scriptures</p> <p>God's plan was for Jesus to defeat death.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>1 Corinthians 15:3-4</i></p>		<p>He ascended into heaven</p> <p>Jesus continues to work for us in heaven, at his Father's right hand.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Acts 1:9</i></p>	<p>He will come again in glory</p> <p>One day Jesus will come back – not as a baby but as king.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>John 14:3</i></p>	<p>Reflect on what we personally believe and why.</p> <p>Time to review the week and share prayer needs.</p>
	<p>I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, who will stay with you forever.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>John 14:16</i></p>	<p>We believe in the Holy Spirit</p> <p>What is the Holy Spirit's purpose in our lives?</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>John 14:16; Acts 1:8</i></p>		<p>The giver of life</p> <p>The Holy Spirit brings the fullest of life.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>John 6:63</i></p>	<p>Who has spoken through the prophets</p> <p>The Old Testament points to Jesus as God's rescue plan.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>1 Peter 1:10-12</i></p>	<p>Reflect on what we personally believe and why.</p> <p>Time to review the week and share prayer needs.</p>
	<p>There is one body and one Spirit, just as there is one hope to which God has called you.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Ephesians 4:4</i></p>	<p>We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church</p> <p>God's plan is for unity under His authority.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Ephesians 4:4</i></p>		<p>We acknowledge one baptism</p> <p>Baptism is an outward sign of an inward process – a symbolic washing for everyone.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>1 Corinthians 12:13</i></p>	<p>The life of the world to come the life of the world to come</p> <p>God will recreate Heaven and Earth. This is the hope for the future.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Revelation 21:1-6</i></p>	<p>Reflect on what we personally believe and why.</p> <p>Time to review the week and share prayer needs.</p>

The Nicene Creed *(with extra Bible References)*

We believe in one God, *(Mark 12:29, 12:32, Ephesians 4:6)*
the Father, the Almighty, *(2 Corinthians 6:18)*
maker of heaven and earth, *(Genesis 1:1, Revelation 4:11)*
of all that is,
seen and unseen. *(Colossians 1:16, Hebrews 11:3)*

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, *(1 Corinthians 8:6, Ephesians 4:5)*
the only Son of God, *(John 3:16)*
eternally begotten of the Father, *(Colossians 1:15, 1:17)*
God from God, *(John 1:1-2)*
Light from Light, *(John 1:4, 1:9, 2 Corinthians 4:6, Hebrews 1:3)*
true God from true God, *(1 John 5:20)*
begotten, not made, *(John 1:14)*
of one Being with the Father. *(1 John 1:5 & John 8:12)*
Through him all things were made. *(John 1:3, 1:10, Colossians 1:16, 1 Corinthians 8:6, Romans 11:36, Hebrews 1:10)*

For us and for our salvation *(Matthew 1:21, 1 Thessalonians 5:9, Colossians 1:13-14)*
he came down from heaven: *(John 3:13, 3:31, 6:38)*
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, *(Luke 1:34-35)*
and was made man. *(John 1:14, Hebrews 2:14)*

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; *(1 Peter 2:24, Mark 15:15)*
he suffered death and was buried. *(Matthew 27:50, 27:59-60)*
On the third day he rose again *(Mark 9:31, 16:9, Acts 10:40)*
in accordance with the Scriptures; *(Luke 24:45-46, 1 Corinthians 15:3-4)*
he ascended into heaven *(Acts 1:9)*
and is seated at the right hand of the Father. *(Mark 16:19, Luke 22:69)*
He will come again in glory *(Mark 13:26, John 14:3, 1 Thessalonians 4:17)*
to judge the living and the dead, *(Matthew 16:27, 2 Corinthians 5:10, 2 Timothy 4:1, 1 Peter 4:5)*
and his kingdom will have no end. *(Hebrews 1:8, 2 Peter 1:11)*

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, *(Acts 1:8, John 6:63, 2 Corinthians 3:6)*
who proceeds from the Father and the Son. *(John 15:26, 16:7)*
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. *(2 Corinthians 3:8)*
He has spoken through the Prophets. *(1 Peter 1:10-11, Ephesians 3:5)*
We believe in one holy, catholic and apostolic Church. *(Ephesians 1:4, 2:20, 4:4, 5:27, Matthew 28:19, Acts 1:8, Matthew 16:18, Romans 12:4-5, 1 Corinthians 10:17)*
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. *(Ephesians 4:5, Galatians 3:27, 1 Corinthians 12:13, Colossians 2:12-13, Acts 22:16)*
We look for the resurrection of the dead, *(Romans 6:4-5, 1 Thessalonians 4:16)*
and the life of the world to come. *(2 Peter 3:13, Revelation 21:1)*

Amen.