



INCARNATION
ANGLICAN CHURCH

IAC Membership Promises

After the homily, the Rector continues

Let us now reaffirm our faith in the words of the ancient baptismal confession, the Apostles' Creed.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

People I do.

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

Do you believe and trust in Jesus Christ?

People I do.

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by 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.**

Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

People I do.

**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.**

Membership Promises

Rector: Having reaffirmed our faith in the Apostle's Creed, I ask those who are to become members to come forward.

Do you renew the promises made at your baptism and commit yourself to keep them, with God's help?

I do.

Do you submit yourself to the guidance, care, and nurture of this church?

I do.

Do you affirm your desire to **worship** and follow Christ with your whole self?
I do.

Do you promise to give generously of yourself for the life, health, and **wonder** of this community of believers?
I do.

Do you affirm your desire to **welcome** others into the kingdom of God, seeking to love your neighbor as yourself?
I do.

I, as your Rector, affirm that I will lead and shepherd you, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, in submission to Scripture and with wholehearted delight in seeking to follow God's lead.

The Rector continues: The adults have all made promises, but we as members of Incarnation Anglican Church also make promises to the children in our midst.

Do you **welcome** these children into our common life, so that they may come to **worship** Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior?
We do.

Will you, by word and by example, help them to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which they have been called, ever growing in faith, **wonder**, and all heavenly virtues?
We will.

Let us pray.

All: O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you, bring the nations into your fold, pour out your Spirit upon all flesh, and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Let us welcome our new members into the community of Incarnation Anglican Church.

New members sign the parish register, receive a bell, and are joyfully welcomed.

The liturgy continues.