

St. Paul 2017 Faith Focus: The Small Catechism
Week 2: Apostle's Creed
Participant Sheet

Teaching

Audio Segment 1: Origins of the Apostle's Creed

Feel free to take notes here

Audio Segment 2: The Apostles Creed in Luther's Small Catechism

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Application: The 1st article

1st Article: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth

What does this mean?

I believe that God has made me and all creatures; that He has given me my body and soul, eyes, ears, and all my limbs, my reason, and all my senses, and still preserves them; in addition, clothing and shoes, food and drink, house, family, fields, cattle, and all my goods; that He provides me richly and daily with all that I need to support this body and life, protects me from all danger, and guards me and preserves me from all evil; and all this out of pure, fatherly, divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness in me; for all which I owe it to Him to thank, praise, serve, and obey Him. This is most certainly true.

Prayer: Praying through the creed

- + Meditate -- Ask God what does this mean for my life; meditate on its meaning
- + Thank -- Thank God for the way in which God has blessed you through creation
- + Confess – Confess to God the ways in which you have neglected to give thanks, ignored the beauty of creation, or taken for granted God's providence
- + Pray for binding – Ask God that your life would fill your heart with gratitude and praise.

Don't forget your coloring sheet!