

**Series: The Creed**

**January 18, 2026**

**Message: The Holy Spirit, His Church, and Eternity**

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Acts 2:1-4, 38; 20:28 | 1 Corinthians 6:19 | John 3:16; 11:25-26; 14:15-18; 20:19-22  
Ephesians 3:10 | Mark 11:25 | Romans 5:20-21; 8:11

*What I believe about God shapes everything about me.*

The Holy Spirit is dwelling within me.

The Holy Spirit is working in me.

The Holy Spirit is moving through me.

The Holy Spirit:

- Comforts (John 14:16)
- Encourages (Romans 15:3)
- Intercedes (Romans 8:26-27)
- Convicts (John 16:8)
- Teaches (John 14:26)
- Guides (Galatians 5:16)
- Empowers (Acts 1:8)s

The holy universal Church, the communion of saints.

The forgiveness of sins

The resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

## **Life Group Study**

For week of January 18, 2026

*Many of our Life Groups use this insert as a discussion guide throughout the week. We encourage you to take that next step in your journey with Jesus & His church by joining one today! <https://rlc.pub/groups>*

Looking back over what Jeff talked about on Sunday, was there something you'd like to share?

As you start your group, read through the Apostles' Creed together. What are some things, so far, that have been impactful to you about this creed? Challenging? Clarifying? Confusing? Etc.

Why can it be valuable to wrestle with what you truly believe in your Christian community?

### **Connect to God's story**

Read **John 14:15-29**.

What do we learn from Jesus' conversation with the disciples about the Holy Spirit? How do we show our love to the Lord and how can the Holy Spirit help us put our love into action?

How have you experienced our gift giving and gracious God in this last week? Have you experienced Jesus' gift of peace of mind and heart? Please share about it...

Share about a time when you felt moved by the Holy Spirit. How was that prompting aligned with God's Word, His people, and His purposes?

How can you participate in the Holy Spirit's work this week? How might your obedience impact your friendships and community?

*As you go through the coming week, ask God, "What do you want me to do today?" Our faithful God will meet you as you walk with Him!*

### The Apostles' Creed

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,  
was 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,  
is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy universal Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.

Amen.

## THE PURPOSE OF LIFE GROUPS

*Life Groups exist to promote spiritual maturity and personal growth through meaningful relationships with Jesus and each other through the study of God's Word (Romans 8:29 & Hebrews 10:24-25).*

Here's how we accomplish this in our community throughout the week:

### SHARE

Each week we'll take time to share what is happening in our lives. At first this sharing will include planned "sharing questions." But after the first few weeks, it will become more informal and personal as we feel more comfortable.

### STUDY

Each week we'll study a section from God's Word that relates to the previous weekend's sermon or an appropriate personal growth topic. Our goal is to learn how to live out our Christianity in everyday life by following Jesus.

### SUPPORT

Each week we'll learn how to take care of one another as Christ commanded (John 15:9-13). This care can take many forms such as prayer, encouragement, listening, challenging one another and meeting real needs.

### SERVE

Spiritual growth is fostered not only by what we gain through the support and input of others, but also through service to others. The role each of us fills is important to the health of the church and for us to be the hands and feet of Jesus to the community in which we live (Ephesians 4:11-16).

Throughout the Life Group session, it is our hope that you can find and/or be affirmed in the ways the Father has designed you to serve and make a difference in His kingdom as He conforms you to the image of His Son! (Romans 8:28-30)