

Questions to parents of baptizand:

1) With the enabling of God's grace, do you commit yourself to personal growth in renouncing what is wrong and embracing what is right in your life and in the world?

I do.

2) With the enabling of God's grace, do you commit yourself to becoming a closer follower of Jesus Christ in his ongoing ministry of compassion and healing in the world by the way you care for all life around you?

I do.

3) With the enabling of God's grace, do you commit yourself to the way of forgiveness with an open heart?

I do.

4) With the enabling of God's grace, do you commit yourself to pursuing justice and truth in a spirit of openness to reconciliation rather than retaliation?

I do.

5) With the enabling of God's grace, do you commit yourself to growing spiritually as a part of this congregation, its worship, fellowship and service, offering yourself and your substance, as you are able?

I do.

6) With the enabling of God's grace, do you commit yourselves to raising your child within the nurturing and guiding fellowship of the church in its worship, witness and service?

I do.

Question to Congregation:

Do you, on behalf of the church of Jesus Christ, promise to guide and nurture Madelyn and her parents, by word and deed, with love and in prayer, encouraging them to follow the way of Christ in the world?

We do.

**A CHRISTIAN CREED BASED ON
THE APOSTLES' CREED
FROM: IONA, SCOTLAND
Modified for AHPC**

We Believe in God above us,
Maker and sustainer of all that lives,
Of sun, moon and stars,
Of water, air, and earth,
Of male and female,
All genders, colours and cultures.

We believe in God beside us,
Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh,
Born of a woman's womb, servant of the poor.
He was tortured and nailed to a cross.
He bore the suffering of others, but died himself forsaken.
He descended into the earth to the place of death.
On the third day he rose from the tomb.
He ascended into heaven to be everywhere present,
And his reign will come on earth.

We believe in God within us,
The Holy Spirit of transforming flame,
Life-Giving breath of the church,
Energy of healing, justice and forgiveness,
Source of resurrection and life everlasting.
Amen.