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We believe in **God our Father ...**

who created the world in love

who created men and women
in his image to live with each other
in the ways of love, justice and
forgiveness

who is to be found
in human love,
in the wonder of nature,
in the marvels of science,
in the beauty of music and poetry

who is with us in any sadness,
loneliness or fear,
and in our joys and celebrations

who is always near,
not far off,
and we can come to him in prayer

*... and who chose to become
human in the person of*

Jesus Christ

We believe in **Jesus Christ ...**

who was born and lived
a human life in Palestine
2000 years ago

who showed God's love
to the poor, the outsider,
the ordinary and the rich

in whose life we see
what God is like:
forgiving, accepting,
healing, challenging

who gave his life in love, dying
on a cross and reconciling the
world to God

who is with us always,
especially when two or three of us
are gathered and when
we celebrate the Eucharist

who sent out his followers to
take a message of good news
to all people

*...who asks his followers to
keep on doing this today*

We believe in **The Holy Spirit ...**

who is the presence of God
within each person,
guiding us in the way of truth

who helps us to realise
our potential
and become fully the person
God made us to be

who is the invisible go-between
connecting us with God
and other people
and making us aware
of their needs

who encourages us in gifts
of love, joy, peace, patience,
kindness, goodness,
faithfulness, gentleness,
and self-control

*...who is at work in the
Church, AND
in the world.*

*(Adapted from St Aidan's Church, Bamburgh,
Northumberland)*