The Book of Common Prayer, as printed by John Baskerville

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St. ATHANASIUS's Creed.

¶ Upon these Feasts, Christmas-day, the Epiphany, St. Matthias, Easter-day, Ascension-day, Whitsunday, St. John Baptist, St. James, St. Bartholomew, St. Matthew, St. Simon and St. Jude, St. Andrew, and upon Trinity-sunday, shall be sung or said at Morning Prayer, instead of the Apostles Creed, this Confession of our Christian Faith, commonly called the Creed of St. Athanasius, by the Minister and people standing.

Quicunque vult.

WHOSOEVER will be faved: before all things it is necessary that he hold the Catholick Faith.

Which Faith except every one do keep whole and undefiled: without doubt he shall perish everlastingly.

And the Catholick Faith is this: That we worship one God in Trinity, and Trinity in Unity;

Neither confounding the Persons: nor dividing the Substance.

For there is one Person of the Father, another of the Son: and another of the Holy Ghost.

But the Godhead of the Father, of the Son, and of the Holy Ghoft, is all one: the Glory equal, the Majesty co-eternal.

Such as the Father is, fuch is the Son: and fuch is the Holy Ghoft.

The Father uncreate, the Son uncreate: and the Holy Ghoft uncreate.

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The Father incomprehenfible, the Son incomprehenfible: and the Holy Ghoft incomprehenfible.

The Father eternal, the Son eternal: and the Holy Ghoft eternal.

And yet there are not three eternals: but one eternal.

As also there are not three incomprehensibles, nor three uncreated: but one uncreated and one incomprehensible.

So likewise the Father is Almighty, the Son Almighty: and the Holy Ghost Almighty.

And yet there are not three Almighties: but one Almighty.

So the Father is God, the Son is God: and the Holy Ghoft is God.

And yet there are not three Gods: but one God.

So likewise the Father is Lord, the Son Lord: and the Holy Ghost Lord.

And yet not three Lords: but one Lord.

For like as we are compelled by the Christian verity: to acknowledge every Person by himself to be God and Lord;

So are we forbidden by the Catholick Religion: to fay there be three Gods, or three Lords.

The Father is made of none: neither created, nor begotten.

The Son is of the Father alone: not made, nor created, but begotten.

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The Holy Ghoft is of the Father and of the Son: neither made, nor created, nor begotten, but proceeding.

So there is one Father, not three Fathers; one Son, not three Sons: one Holy Ghoft, not three Holy Ghofts.

And in this Trinity none is afore or after other: none is greater, or less than another;

But the whole three Persons are co-eternal together: and co-equal.

So that in all things, as is aforefaid: the Unity in Trinity, and the Trinity in Unity is to be worshipped.

He therefore that will be faved: must thus think of the Trinity.

Furthermore, it is necessary to everlasting falvation: that he also believe rightly the Incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ.

For the right Faith is, that we believe and confess: that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is God and Man;

God, of the Substance of the Father, begotten before the worlds: and Man, of the substance of his Mother, born in the world;

Perfect God, and perfect Man: of a reasonable soul and human flesh substitting;

Equal to the Father, as touching his Godhead: and inferior to the Father, as touching his Manhood;

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Who although he be God and Man: yet he is not two, but one Chrift;

One; not by conversion of the Godhead into flesh: but by taking of the Manhood into God;

One altogether; not by confusion of Subflance: but by unity of Person.

For as the reafonable foul and flesh is one man: so God and Man is one Christ;

Who fuffered for our falvation: descended into hell; rose again the third day from the dead;

He ascended into heaven, he sitteth on the right hand of the Father, God Almighty: from whence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

At whose coming all men shall rise again with their bodies: and shall give account for their own works.

And they that have done good shall go into life everlasting: and they that have done evil, into everlasting fire.

This is the Catholick Faith: which except a man believe faithfully, he cannot be faved.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghoft;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.