



Do You Hear the People Sing? Joining the Chorus, Part 1

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Church traditions:

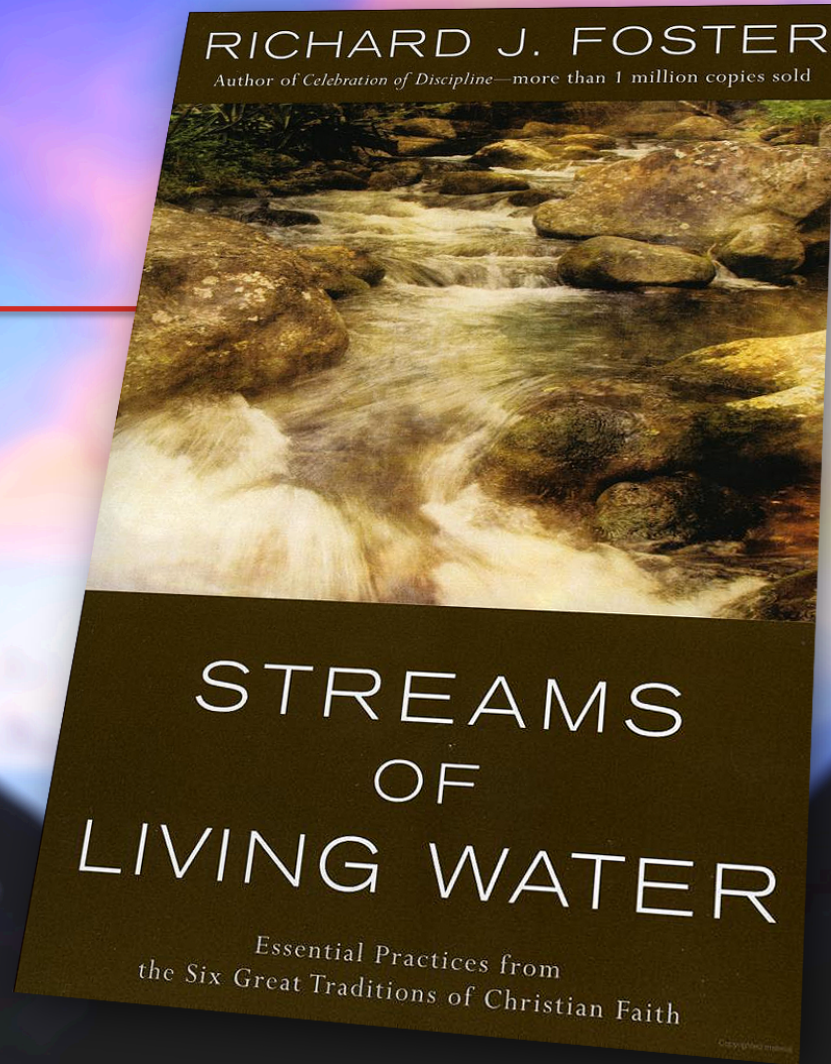
- ❖ Baptism
- ❖ Lord's Supper
- ❖ Lord's Prayer
- ❖ Creed
- ❖ Doxology/offering
- ❖ Pot-luck dinners
- ❖ Mardi Gras
- ❖ Lent
- ❖ Stations of the Cross
- ❖ Maundy Thursday
- ❖ Responsive readings
- ❖ Easter sunrise service

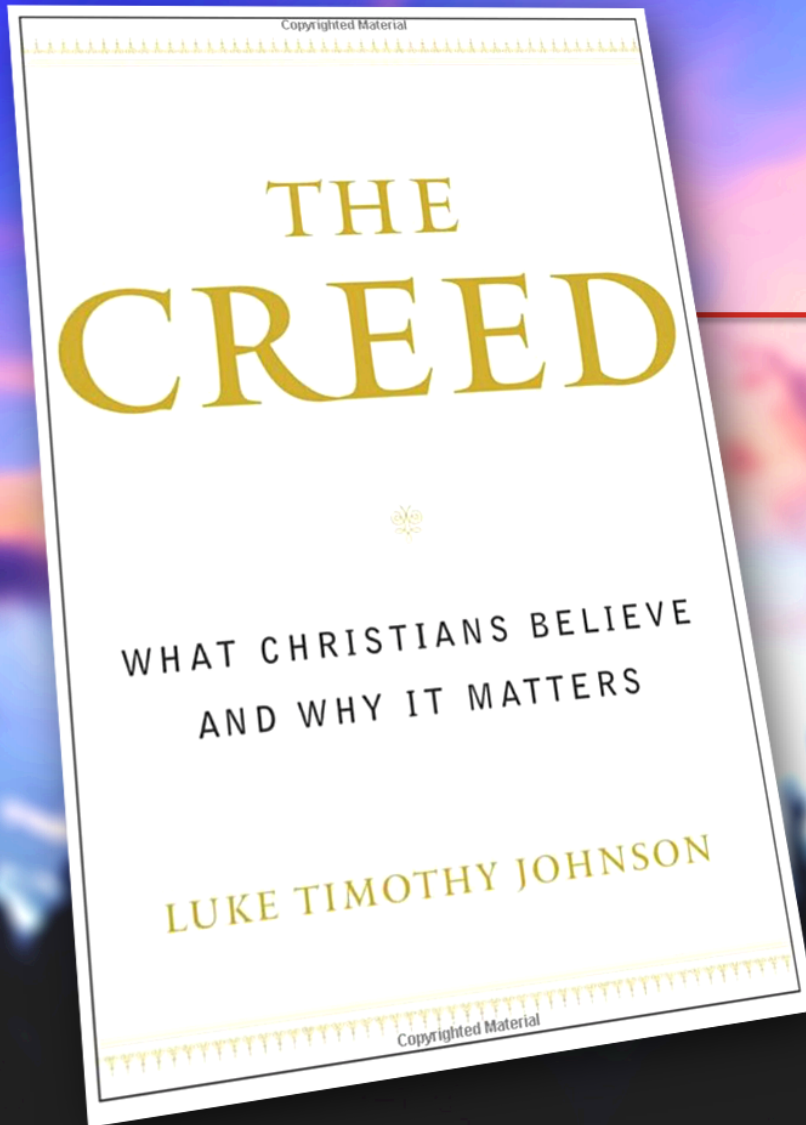


Liturgy =

A pattern for worship used by a congregation or denomination on a regular basis.

*Streams of
Living Water*
— Richard Foster



The background of the entire image is a photograph of a church service. A large, dark wooden cross is the central focus, set against a vibrant, colorful sky of purple, pink, and blue. In the foreground, the silhouettes of people are visible, with several individuals having their hands raised in the air, suggesting a moment of praise or prayer. A thin red horizontal line is positioned above the text on the right side of the image.

The Creed
— Luke Timothy
Johnson



Wesley's quadrilateral:

- ❖ Scripture
- ❖ Wisdom
- ❖ Tradition
- ❖ Experience

Charles Wesley, 1707-1788

- ❖ *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing*
- ❖ *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*
- ❖ *Hark the Herald Angels Sing*
- ❖ *Christ the Lord is Risen Today*

MCC worship service, 1st half

- ❖ Prelude video
- ❖ OT reading (or NT)
- ❖ Four worship songs (Congregation stands)
- ❖ Offering and song (Congregation sits)
- ❖ Announcements
- ❖ Prayer for children

MCC worship service, 2nd half

- ❖ NT reading (or OT)
- ❖ Sermon
- ❖ Response time
 - ❖ 2 worship songs
 - ❖ Lord's supper
 - ❖ Prayer?
- ❖ Benediction



Zechariah 9:9

(from today's OT reading)

Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion!

Shout, Daughter Jerusalem!

See, your king comes to you,

righteous and victorious,

lowly and riding on a donkey,

on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

Matthew 21:1-2

(from today's NT reading)

As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and at once you will find a donkey tied there, with her colt by her.



Matthew 21:2-3

(from today's NT reading)

“Untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, say that the Lord needs them, and he will send them right away.”

Matthew 21:4-5

(from today's NT reading)

This took place to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet:

“Say to Daughter Zion,
‘See, your king comes to you,
gentle and riding on a donkey,
and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.’”

Matthew 21:6-8

(from today's NT reading)

The disciples went and did as Jesus had instructed them. They brought the donkey and the colt and placed their cloaks on them for Jesus to sit on. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road.



Matthew 21:9

(from today's NT reading)

The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted,

“Hosanna to the Son of David!”

“Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!”

“Hosanna in the highest heaven!”

Matthew 21:10-11

(from today's NT reading)

When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred and asked, "Who is this?" The crowds answered, "This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee."



Matthew 6:9-10

(New International Version)

[Jesus]: “This, then, is how you should pray:

“Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

Matthew 6:11-13

(New International Version)

“Give us today our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts,
as we also have forgiven our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from the evil one.”

A photograph of a church service. In the center, a large wooden cross stands against a vibrant, colorful sky of pinks, purples, and blues. In the foreground, the silhouettes of a congregation are visible, with many people raising their hands in praise. The text 'doxology =' is overlaid on the image in a white, outlined font.

doxology =

A liturgical formula of praise to God.



Lord's Prayer doxology

“For thine is the kingdom and the power
and the glory forever and ever.
Amen.”



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A church service background with a cross and people with hands raised.

Are you being called?

- ❖ To receive Christ
- ❖ To become a member of Melbourne Community Church
- ❖ To pray / to receive prayer
- ❖ To affirm or reaffirm a commitment
- ❖ To receive the Lord's Supper

Life Begins in the Womb

❖ Luke 1:15

❖ Luke 1:41

❖ Psalm 22:9-10

❖ Psalm 139:13

❖ Isaiah 49:1

❖ Jeremiah 1:4-5