

## ST PAUL'S CREDO

**We believe in God,  
awesome and intimate,  
the source of life and energy.  
We look for God in language  
but find God in living:  
in the chaos and uncertainty  
of our life's experience,  
in the ordinary things  
and in moments of mystery.**

**We believe in Jesus,  
bold and gifted prophet,  
loving, gentle friend.  
Here on earth, the son of Mary,  
through his self-giving  
he helped and healed those in need,  
he taught and transformed those who followed.  
As the living Christ he is with us still,  
inspiring our journey— together and alone.**

**We believe that God's Spirit dwells in every one of us.  
Sometimes cherished,  
sometimes abused,  
sometimes unrecognised—  
the Spirit is there,  
urging us into awareness  
and love.**

**We believe that to be human is a beautiful gift,  
and we delight in our diversity.  
Though our lives may be flawed and broken,  
marked with pain,  
we find healing in forgiveness  
and in the power to forgive.**

**We believe that through death  
we will journey to a new kind of being,  
an unimaginable beyond,**

**a surprise prepared for us  
by a God of astonishing love.  
But we are not satisfied  
with waiting for a far-off heaven—  
we believe that we are called  
to seek it and to shape it here,  
to bring God's love to those  
who cannot love themselves.  
Amen.**