

## **Creed used during Saturday worship at Synod Assembly 2016**

**We believe in the God of Life who creates and loves people, who acts in history, and who promises never to leave us alone.**

**We believe in Jesus of Nazareth, who is Lord and Redeemer, who died and rose again, and who wants not be idolized but to be followed.**

**We believe that we live in the presence of the Holy Spirit; without it we are nothing; filled with the Holy Spirit we are able to become creative, lively, and free.**

**We believe in the Church of Jesus Christ, a community where we find companions for the struggle of life; where we grow in understanding of the faith through worship, prayer, fellowship, and action.**

**We believe that God has a purpose for us in this time and place. We believe in living, hoping, laughing and enjoying the good earth. We believe that people can change, attitudes can change, and that God keeps leading us towards life, and to a new world of justice and joy.**

**(from the Parish of Balerno outside Edinburgh, Scotland)**