

# Knowledge Organiser – Christianity - Kingdom

## Big Question: How has the Christian message survived 2000 years?



St Martin's Church - A Local Parish



An Underground Church in North Korea

**The Apostles' Creed**  
I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
And born of the virgin Mary,  
He suffered under Pontius Pilot,  
Was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended into hell.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
And is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
The holy catholic Church,  
The communion of saints,  
The forgiveness of sins,  
The resurrection of the body,  
And the life everlasting. Amen.

The Apostles' Creed



The Day of Pentecost

### Key Vocabulary:

**Apostle:** Literally "one who is sent", usually refers to the first 12 disciples and St Paul.

**Creed:** Derived from the Latin 'credo', meaning 'I believe', statement of belief.

**Evangelism:** Telling others the Good News of the Christian message.

**Great Commission:** The final words Jesus is recorded as saying to his disciples in **Matthew 28:18-10**. He tells his followers to go into all the world and make disciples, baptising them and teaching them, and Jesus promises to be with them always.

**Missionary:** Someone who travels away from their home country or culture to tell or show others the love of God.

**Parish:** The geographical area that is served by the local church.

**Pentecost:** A Jewish festival and also the day on which the followers of Jesus were baptised in the Holy Spirit.

**Persecution:** Hostility and ill-treatment, especially because of race or political or religious beliefs.

**Underground church:** Christians who continue to worship Jesus where it is illegal to do so, usually in secret.

### Key facts:

The Book of Acts records the start of the Church. It was written by Luke, the same Luke that wrote the Gospel. He was writing to someone called Theophilus who was probably a high-ranking Roman official.

The Apostles' Creed was written to address heresy (unorthodox beliefs) that arose in the early church. It also provided information to be taught to new Christians and were to be learnt by heart.

The **Old Testament** was originally written in **Hebrew**. A lot of the **New Testament** was written in **Greek**. The Bible (**Old and New Testament**) was translated into **Latin** and subsequently it has been translated into more languages than any other book in the world!

The local church building plays an important role in the community's life together. Living in that community encourages individual Christians to put their faith into everyday living practices, such as being a good neighbour.

