

Year 3: What can we learn about Christian worship and beliefs by visiting churches?

What is worship?

Worship is when people communicate with God in order to praise, thank, say sorry or ask God for help.

Worship can be private or communal.

It can involve:

- Singing
- Dancing
- Praying
- Helping others
- Meditating

Colours in the church.

Some cultures associate colours with important events. For example, for some cultures and religions, white is connected with weddings to symbolise purity and new beginnings. In other cultures, they use red and gold during weddings to symbolise wealth, happiness and fertility. Different colours are used in churches during different times of the year.

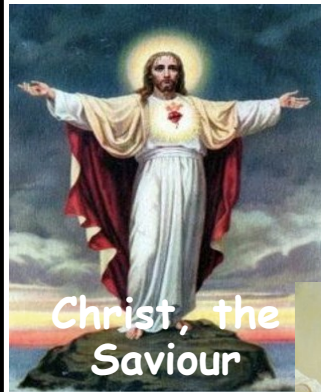
Christians use colours to express their beliefs.

awe	To be inspired.
candles	Candles represent the light of God.
crucifix	An image of Jesus on the cross.
denomination	A religious subgroup.
devotion	To be loyal and care for someone or something.
diversity	To understand that each individual is unique.
metaphor	A metaphor describes something as something else.
otherness of God	Christians believe that there is one, unique God.
transcendent	To be above everything.
Sunday Worship	A weekly memorial of the resurrection of Jesus Christ.
wonder	To feel curious and to have a desire to know something.

Using metaphors to understand God.

There are some things that can't be touched or drawn (love, hope, anger etc.) Christians use metaphors to help them picture and understand God.

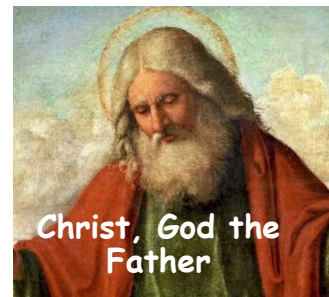
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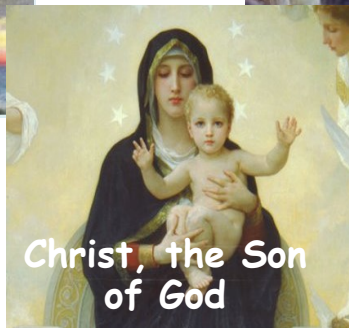
Christ, the Saviour



Christ, God the Almighty



Christ, God the Father



Christ, the Son of God

symbols do to represent



Christ the Creator

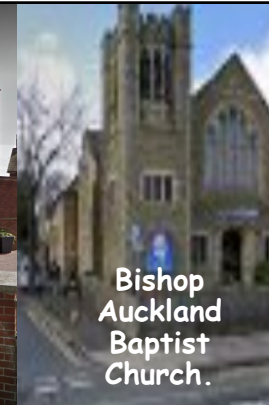
metaphors or Christians use

Take time to reflect

How do you use colour to express your ideas, feelings and beliefs?



St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church in Bishop Auckland.



Bishop Auckland Baptist Church.



St. John's Church of England in Shildon.

CRC Article 14: All children have the right to their own religion.

