The Apostles' Creed

(Traditional Version)
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I believe in God the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead and buried;
he descended into hell.
the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick 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 Lord's Prayer

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Our Father, who art in Heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory,
forever. Amen.

Questions:

1) Who was Nicodemus, what did he do for a living? Why is this interesting?
2) Why did Nicodemus come to Jesus at night, and what was his theological question for Jesus?
3) In verse 14 Jesus equates Himself with a serpent that Moses hoisted up in Numbers 21:9 in the wilderness. Why? What is this all about?

Memory Verse: John 3:5 "Jesus answered and said to him, 'Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.'"

Lenten Challenge: In preparation for this Wednesday's service read through John 5, focusing on the compassion that Jesus shows to the ill man.

Sermon Notes: