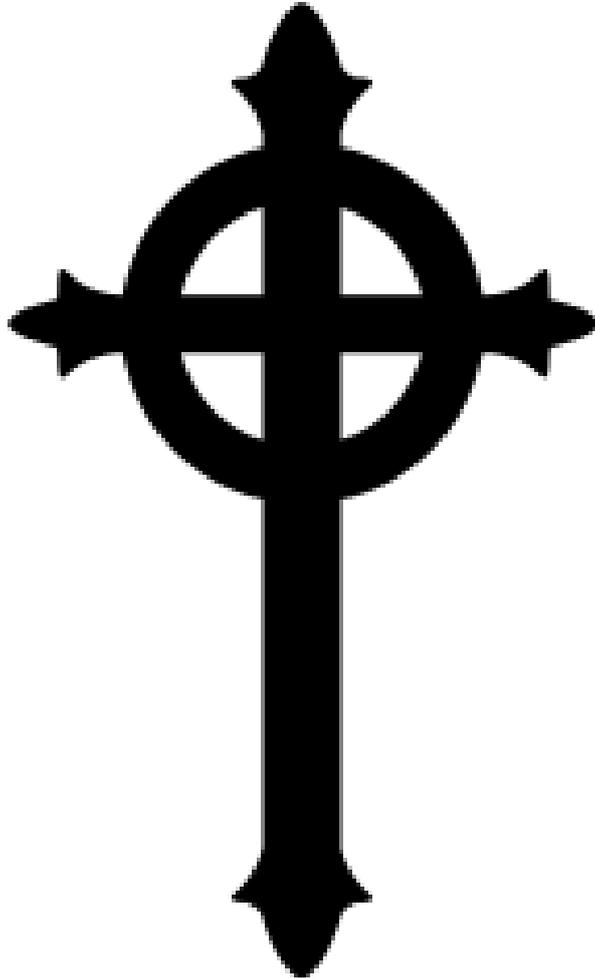


# PRESBYTERIAN

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## The Presbyterian Symbol: A Summary

The [Presbyterian](#) Church uses several symbols, but the most well-known one features a **triangle** at its core. This shape represents the **Holy Trinity**, a fundamental belief in Presbyterianism. Within the triangle, three key elements depict important aspects of the faith:

- **Cross:** This central symbol stands for **Jesus Christ's sacrifice** and his role as Savior.
- **Dove:** Representing the **Holy Spirit**, it signifies God's presence and guidance.
- **Flames:** These symbolize **illumination and inspiration**, drawing connections to both the Pentecost story and the burning bush in the Old Testament.

Some versions of the symbol also include an **open Bible** below the triangle, highlighting the **centrality of scripture** in Presbyterian theology. The denomination's name often encircles the entire symbol.

While this specific triangular design gained prominence in the 20th century, other symbols hold significance within Presbyterianism:

- **Burning bush:** Representing God's presence even amidst trials.
- **Blue, white, and gold colors:** Often associated with **loyalty, purity, and the divine** respectively.
- **Cross worn by clergy:** Symbolizes their role as ministers.

Remember, the richness of Presbyterian [symbolism](#) goes beyond individual elements. Their interplay emphasizes core beliefs like the Trinity, scripture's importance, and Christ's central role.

