



# Confession of Faith Ratification Act 1560

## 1560 CHAPTER 1

### OF THE KIRK

AS we beleif in ane god father sone and haly gaist sa do we maist constantly beleif that fra the beginning thair hes bene now is and to the end of the world salbe ane Kirk that is to say ane cumpany and multitude of men chosin of God quha rychtly wirschip and embrace him be trew fayth in Christ Jesus quha is the onlie heid of the same kirk quhilk alsua is the body and spous of Christ Jesus quhilk kirk is catholick that is vniuersall because it contenis the elect of all aiges all Realmis natiounis and toungis be thay of the Jewis or be thay of the gentiles quha haue communioun and societie with god the father and with his sone Christ Jesus throucht the sanctificatioun of his holy spreit and thairfoir it is callit the communioun (not of prophaine persounis) bot of sanctis quha as citizenis of the heuinlie Jerusalem haue the fruitioun of the maist inestimabill benefitis to wit of ane God ane lord Jesus ane faith and of ane Baptisme out of the quhilk Kirk thair is nouthier lyfe nor eternall felicitie And thairfoir we vtterlie abhorr the blasphemie of thame that affirme that men quhilk liue according to equitie and Justice salbe sauit quhat Religioun that euer thay haue professit ffor as without Christ Jesus thair is nouthier lyfe nor saluatioun sa sall thair nane be participant thairof bot sic as the father hes geuin vnto his sone Christ Jesus and thay that in time cum vnto him awow his doctrine and beleif into him (we comprehend the children with the faithful parentis) This kirk is inuisibill knawin onlie to god quha allaine knawis quhom he hes chosin and comprehendis asweill (as said is) the elect that be departit (commounlie callit the kirk triumphant) and thay that yit liue and fecht aganis syne and Sathan as sall liue heirefter

**Status:**

Point in time view as at 01/02/1991.

**Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Confession of Faith Ratification Act 1560, Of the Kirk.