

Discovering the Christian Faith

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What is the Lord's Supper?

- The Family Meal
- Bread and wine
- The body and blood of Christ.
- A memorial meal.




What is present?

- Bread and wine
- Body and blood of Christ




What is present?

While they were eating, Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body." Then he took a cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you. This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins."

Matthew 26:26-28




What is present?

"I speak to sensible people; judge for yourselves what I say. Is not the cup of thanksgiving for which we give thanks a participation in the blood of Christ? And is not the bread that we break a participation in the body of Christ?"

1 Corinthians 10:15-16

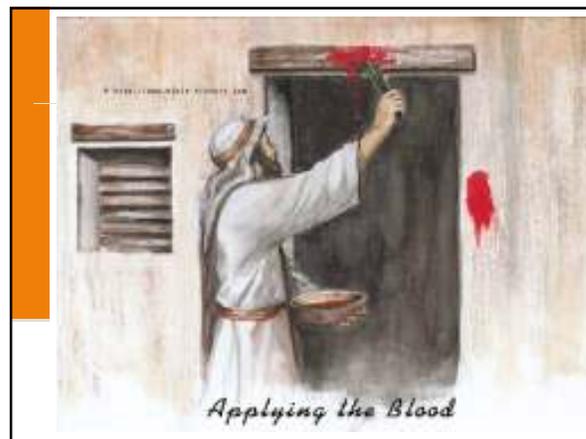



What is present?

“For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes. So then, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. Everyone ought to examine themselves before they eat of the bread and drink from the cup.”



I Corinthians 11:26-28



The New Passover

- Jesus is the Lamb of God

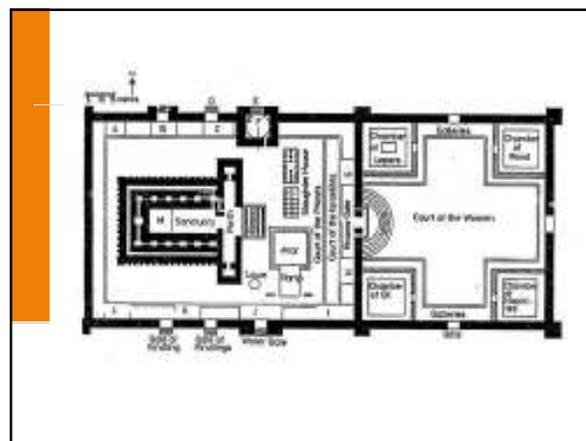


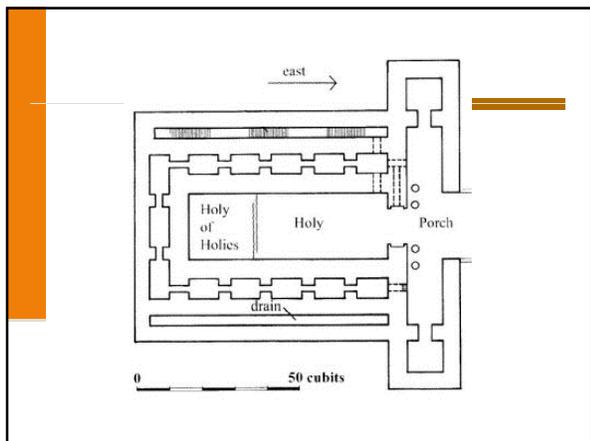
The Final Sacrifice

- Jesus completes and fulfills all of the Old Testament sacrifices.

“And when Jesus had cried out again in a loud voice, he gave up his spirit. At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom.”

Matthew 27:50-51





The Blessings of the Lord's Supper

CHRIST

"And he took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, 'This is my body given for you; do this in remembrance of me.'"

Luke 22:19



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FORGIVENESS OF SINS

"This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins."

Matthew 26:28



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PROCLAIMING JESUS' DEATH

"For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes."

I Corinthians 11:26



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UNITY

"Because there is one loaf, we, who are many, are one body, for we all share the one loaf."

I Corinthians 10:17



How should I prepare?

■ Repentance and Faith.

"So then, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. Everyone ought to examine themselves before they eat of the bread and drink from the cup. For those who eat and drink without discerning the body of Christ eat and drink judgment on themselves."

I Corinthians 11:27-30



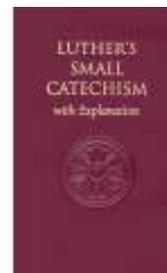
Who should not receive?

- Those who are unwilling to repent.
- Those who are unwilling to reconcile.
- Those who do not believe that Christ's body and blood are present in the supper.
- Those who cannot examine themselves.



The Small Catechism

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