



Welcome to the

Table of the Lord

Session 2

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Review of Homework and last week's lesson:

1. How is Holy Communion the Same or Different from the Passover Meal?
2. Why do you think Jesus is called the Lamb of God?

The Passover Meal is *still* being celebrated by the Jewish people 3,300 years later! But Jesus tells of a new "Passover". Today, we will read in the New Testament about how Jesus gave us a new promise of salvation from God.

Read **Luke 22:1-6** together.

Why were the chief priests and teachers looking for a way to get rid of Jesus?

Judas, one of Jesus' disciples, told the chief priests of his plan to **betray** Jesus. What does "betray" mean? _____

Read **Luke 22:7-13** together. What special event were Jesus and the Disciples celebrating together? _____

Let's read **Luke 22:14-16 (NLT)**

Jesus knew what was going to happen to him, and He tried to explain it to His disciples, but they just did not get it. Jesus knew this was going to be the last night He was going to be with them because he knew he was going to die on the cross as the sacrifice for our sins.

Remember from last week — something had to be sacrificed in order to save the Israelites? Are you beginning to see why it is so meaningful that Jesus gave the first communion to His disciples on the night of Passover?

In fact, John the Baptist had been telling people for a long time who Jesus was. In John 1:29, John the Baptist saw Jesus and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!"

Now let's read **Luke 22:19-20 (NLT)** together, "He took some _____ and gave thanks to God for it. Then He broke it into pieces and gave it to the disciples, saying, 'This is my _____, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' After supper He took another _____ of wine and said, 'This is the new covenant between God and His people - an agreement confirmed with my _____, which is poured out as a sacrifice for you.'"

You will find very similar words in **Matthew 26:26-28**, **Mark 14:22-24** and in **1 Corinthians 11:23-25**.

When we receive communion, what does the **bread** help us remember?
It helps us to remember that...

Jesus gave his **body** for us when he died on the cross.

When we receive communion, what does the **cup/wine** help us remember?
It helps us to remember that...

Jesus gave his **blood** for us when he died on the cross.

Jesus is our _____ lamb.

As Lutherans, we believe Jesus is **truly present** in the bread and wine at Holy Communion. How does this happen?

Jesus said, "This **is** my body given for you; do this in remembrance of me." and "This is my blood which is poured out for you." We believe that because these words, called **the Words of Institution**, are spoken and heard before communion is received by the members gathered, Jesus is truly present in the bread and wine just as he promised.

Think of it like a walnut. You can see the shell on the outside and you know what is on the inside even though you cannot see the part we eat. The walnut meat is present, we just can't see it. But it is still there! Or think of all the vitamins in a carrot, that you cannot see, but they help keep you healthy.

Holy Communion is one of God's mystery's that is absolutely true!

Even if you cannot see Jesus, He is present in each this sacrament, and his promises are real for you always!

What is a sacrament?

A **sacrament** is a ceremony begun by Jesus, where God is truly present.

A sacrament has three things:

1. God's Word instituted by Jesus,
2. a physical element (bread and wine) are used,
3. and a promise from God of his **grace**.

In the Lutheran faith we celebrate 2 sacraments where God is truly present:

1. God promises our unity forever with Jesus Christ through **water** and God's Word in the sacrament we call _____.

2. God promises forgiveness of our sins through **bread, wine** and God's Word in the sacrament we call _____.

You may have already had the sacrament of Holy Baptism. We baptize according to Matthew 28:19 where Jesus says, "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." **If you have not yet been baptized, please talk with a pastor about receiving this special sacrament.**

Baptism is a sacrament we only need to receive once. (Ephesians 4:4-6)

Holy Communion is a sacrament we can receive many times!

St. Paul reminds us in 1 Corinthians 11, "the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, ²⁴ and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me."⁵ In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

HOMEWORK:

Students: Complete the Word Search on the next page.

Parents: Discuss with your students these questions:

1. Do you remember when you or your child was baptized? How old were you? What did it mean to you? (Small Catechism beginning page 204.)
2. Read "The Sacrament of Holy Baptism" in the Small Catechism. Who is "The Old Adam" and what does that look like in our lives? (pg. 214-215)

Name _____

Homework Session 2 - hand in completed homework next week.

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