

# COMMUNION

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*Scripture Reading*

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“God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. I appeal to you, brothers, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgment..”

— 1 Corinthians 1:9–10

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“...When he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, ‘This is my body which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.’ 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. For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.’”

— 1 Corinthians 11:24–26

“But [Jesus] answered, ‘It is written,  
“Man shall not live by bread alone,  
but by every word that comes  
from the mouth of God.”””

— Matthew 4:4 [Deuteronomy 8:3]

# Transubstantiation —

The Roman Catholic belief that after the bread and wine are consecrated, although their appearance remains the same, they transform into the body and blood of Christ.

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2. You should partake in remembrance of our Lord Jesus Christ (verses 23–26).
3. You should partake with careful self-examination (verses 27–34).

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