

WHAT IS COMMUNION?

In Luke 22 we read about the last Passover meal Jesus shared with His disciples. This is also called the Last Supper. When we take communion, we remember the Last Supper when Jesus gave new meaning to the bread and the cup. We remember Him.

VIDEO LESSON ON COMMUNION

GATHER your whole family. Grab a device to watch a short 5 minute video and your favorite Bible or Bible App.

WATCH our family-friendly *Lesson on Communion* video: <https://vimeo.com/385322180>

Feel free to pause the video as needed to ask questions and share stories

READ Luke 22:7-22. Look up the passage and read together as a family.

TALK about the following questions with your family:

1. This is called the Last Supper, or Maundy Thursday. Why do we call it the Last Supper?
2. Jesus said he was about to suffer. What was he talking about?
3. What was the first thing Jesus did after taking the cup and the bread?
4. What does the cup symbolize?
5. What does the bread symbolize?
6. What are we saying when we take communion?



REMEMBER Communion helps us remember what Jesus did for us.

PRAY together as a family. Open the QR for [Ways to Pray With Kids.pdf](#):

THE WORDS SAID DURING COMMUNION

READ the following passages from the Bible, which all mention the words Jesus said to His disciples during His last Passover meal:

Mark 14:22-24

Matthew 26:26-28

1 Corinthians 11:23-25

Luke 22:19-20

REVIEW the words that are often said during Communion today and see if they look familiar:

Once the elements (the cup and the bread) are passed out, a pastor will say something like, *"The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread 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.' Let's remember Him."* Then they eat the bread together.

Next, a pastor will say something like, *"In the same way, after supper Jesus took the cup, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this whenever you drink it in remembrance of me.' Let's remember Him."* Then they drink from the cup together and take a moment of silence to remember and thank Jesus for what He did for us.

DIGGING DEEPER

READ 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 together as a family.

DISCUSS the following questions as a family:

- What does it mean when Paul refers to “the night He was betrayed”?
- Have each family member **write** out 1 Corinthians 11:26 onto a piece of paper. On the back of the paper, write out this verse in a way that makes more sense to each of you.
- Why did Jesus have to die for us?
- It is important that you don’t take communion until you are a follower of Jesus. What does it mean to be a follower of Jesus?
- Has anyone in your family been to a Maundy Thursday service? What was it like?

WHAT NOW? That depends...

You may feel ready to participate in communion.

There are many different ways that communion is practiced in churches around the world. **At Blackhawk Church, anyone who has made the decision to follow Jesus is welcome to participate.** Parents/Guardians, talk with your student about this faith step and whether they are ready to take their first communion.

Blackhawk hosts Maundy Thursday Services on the Thursday before Easter each year. If you’ve never taken communion and you are ready, this is a great space for your first communion. **In fact, BKids hosts a special First Communion Launch Reception after the Maundy Thursday service to celebrate this milestone event with family and friends.**

Not sure where you are in your faith? That’s okay.

One of the most important decisions you will ever make is whether or not you believe Jesus died and rose again for you. He died so that you can be saved. Jesus is our rescuer. This is the message of the Gospel - that Jesus lived, died and rose from the grave. Because He loves you.



Gospel Guide

Talk through our family-friendly Gospel Guide for Families pdf:

<https://tinyurl.com/gospelfamilyguide>

Watch our video explaining the Gospel:

<https://blackhawk.church/message/bk-this-is-the-gospel/>



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