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MAUNDY THURSDAY: *Mercy in Bread* and Wine

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The Communion of <u>Bread and Wine</u> with Christ's <u>Body and Blood</u>





communion = "united together"



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



"The <u>cup</u> of blessing which we bless, is it not the <u>communion</u> of the <u>blood</u> of Christ? The <u>bread</u> which we break, is it not the <u>communion</u> of the <u>body</u> of Christ?"– 1 Corinthians 10:16 (KJV)





The Communion of <u>Christ with Us</u>





Then the Jews began to argue sharply among themselves, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" – John 6:52



Jesus said to them, "Very truly I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise them up at the last day. For my flesh is real food and my **blood is real drink**. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me, and I in them. - John 6:53-56



"I am the vine; you are the branches. If you <u>remain in me</u> and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing." – John 15:5



Real Presence





"This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many <u>for the forgiveness of sins</u>" – Matthew 26:28





The **Ongoing** Communion





"I tell you I will not drink again of this fruit of the vine <u>until that day</u> when I drink it new with you <u>in my Father's kingdom</u>" – Matthew 26:29, ESV



"As <u>often</u> as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes" – 1 Corinthians 11:26



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