



Looking for **Communion Clues** (These clues will be used more than once!):

Clue #1: Lamb	Clue #3: Forgive	Clue #5: Blood	Clue #7: Sacrifice
Clue #2: Bread	Clue #4: Passover	Clue #6: Covenant	Clue #8: Remember

The Origin Story: Read *Exodus 12:1-14* (Old Testament)

1. The Israelite people were slaves in Egypt and they wanted to escape their harsh treatment. Here is the first part of God’s plan: Slaughter a _____ as a _____ (verse 3).
2. Each family is to spread _____ on the doorframes of the house in which the lamb is eaten (verse 7).
3. Each family is to eat the lamb with bitter salad greens and _____ made without yeast (verse 8).
4. The Israelites needed to be ready to escape and so they eat the meal with a sense of _____. For this is the Lord’s _____ (verse 11).
5. An angel of God will pass through the land of Egypt and strike down all the _____, both children and animals (verse 12).
6. When God sees the _____ on the doorframes, God will _____, and the people in those houses will be saved (verse 13).
7. The Passover will be a day to _____ that is observed every year (verse 14).

******What Communion CLUE words did you find so far? Write down those words here:**

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More clues to understanding Communion: Read *Jeremiah 31:31-34* (Old Testament)

1. The day is coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new _____ with the people of Israel and Judah (verse 31).
2. After God led the Israelites out of Egypt, they _____ the first covenant (verse 32).
3. God said, “Someday I will write a new covenant on their _____” (verse 33).
4. This new covenant means God will _____ their wickedness, and will not _____ their sins. (verse 34)

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Passover → Covenant → Last Supper → Holy Communion:

Read *Mark 14:12-16* (New Testament)

1. When did the Last supper take place?
 On the first day of the festival of unleavened _____, when the Passover _____ is sacrificed (verse 12).

2. What kind of meal were the disciples to prepare on the night before Jesus is killed?

A _____ meal (verse 16).

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Passover → Covenant → Last Supper → Holy Communion: Read Matthew 26:26-28 (New Testament)

1. What food and drink is mentioned in Passover meal? Wine and _____.
2. First Jesus takes _____ and says, "Take and eat, for it is my body (verse 26).
3. Jesus then takes wine and says, "Each of you drink from it, for this is my _____, which confirms the _____ between God and God's people. It is poured out as a _____ to _____ the sins of many" (verse 28).
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THE BIG TEST: Bringing it together

(From the Kids Catechism by Martin Luther):

What is Communion?

Communion is the body and blood our Lord Jesus Christ, given to us in _____ and wine. Communion was first started by Jesus, and is meant for us to eat and drink.

Where does the Bible say this?

In the Bible books of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and I Corinthians it says, "On the night when they turned against Jesus, he took bread and thanked God. Then he broke the _____ and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take this and eat it. This is my body, given for you. Do this to remember me. After supper, he took the cup and thanked God. Then he gave it to all of them to drink, saying, "This cup is the new _____ in my blood, which is poured out for you so that the bad things (sins) you have done will be forgiven. Do this to _____ me."

What good things does God do in Communion?

Jesus tells us what Communion is when he says that his body and _____ forgive us for the bad things we have done. After all, God's forgiveness is the reason we are saved and have new life.

How can eating and drinking do such great things?

It is not the eating and drinking that does this for us; it is Jesus' words where he promised to _____ us for the bad things we have done as we eat and drink the bread and wine, which is his body and blood. Whoever believes these words has exactly what they say: _____-ness for the bad things they have done.

(Continued...)

When is a person ready to receive Communion?

Fasting from food or wearing nice clothes are nice things to do, but what really makes a person ready to have Communion is when they believe the promise made by _____. People who do not believe these words of Jesus are not ready for Communion.

Your final Questions:

What is something you learned about Holy Communion? (please answer)

What is a question you have for the Pastors?

****Please return this completed worksheet to Deacon Julie.****

There will be special blessing for First Communion students on Maundy Thursday, April 14 at 6:15pm. If you cannot attend that service, you can receive Communion any time after you've completed this worksheet and connected with Deacon Julie.