

Worship: Table
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Welcome/Prayer

Review

Word Reminds Us of How to Live

Biblical Readings: Engaged in Scripture

Sermon: Your Life is a Sermon

Creed: Confess God in word and Deed

Offering: Share who and what we are

The Peace: Mercy, Forgiveness and Justice

Rehearsal for Life

Practicing Christian Living

Understanding God's Pattern for Life

Rehearsing for Life at the Table

Time to Gather at the Table

Time to Eat at the Table

Visible Word of God: Word mixed with Bread and Wine

Biblical Background of the Table

Exodus 12:1-14 – The Passover

The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: ²This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. ³Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. ⁴If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. ⁵Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. ⁶You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. ⁷They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. ⁸They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. ⁹Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. ¹⁰You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. ¹¹This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the LORD. ¹²For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. ¹³The blood

shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

¹⁴This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the LORD; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

Mark 14:12-16, 22-25 – The First Maundy Thursday

¹²On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb is sacrificed, his disciples said to him, "Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?" ¹³So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, "Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him, ¹⁴and wherever he enters, say to the owner of the house, 'The Teacher asks, Where is my guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' ¹⁵He will show you a large room upstairs, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there." ¹⁶So the disciples set out and went to the city, and found everything as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover meal.

²²While they were eating, he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take; this is my body." ²³Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, and all of them drank from it. ²⁴He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. ²⁵Truly I tell you, I will never again drink of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God."

Liturgy: The Table

Offering Prayer

We acknowledge all that God has given us

We thank our creator for those gifts

Eucharistic Dialogue and Eucharistic Prayer

Dialogue prepares us for what is about to occur

Eucharistic Prayer:

Salvation History

Words of Institution

Promise of Faith Filled Future

Reminded of Whose Table We Gather

Welcome Guests of God/Open Table

Lord's Prayer

Prayer that Jesus taught us – Matthew 6:9-13

Distribution

We feast at the meal

Rev. Dr. Mark Bangert: *"When you consume the bread and wine, it consumes you."*

Meal for You

Our Response: Amen

Palm of the Hand

Post Communion Blessing and Prayer

Acknowledge the benefits of the Table

Luther: Life, Forgiveness and Salvation

Table Reminds Us How to Live

Offering Prayer

Perspective: God provides for us

Eucharistic Dialog/Prayer

Reminds us of God's love of Creation

Finite can hold the Infinite/Bread & Wine – Body & Blood

Distribution

Eat Up Life: Enjoy Life!

Live by faith

Lord's Prayer

Centering Prayer

Small Catechism

We are a people who receive and share God's grace

Life

Forgiveness

Salvation

Tables of Life

Kitchen Table, Cafeteria Table,

Conference Room Table, Coffee Shop Table

We sit at the Tables of home, school, work and community

Learn Table Manners from the Lord's Table

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Next Time: Sending

Closing Prayer