

February 12, 2017
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 Living Bread

A. Read the following passages as communion passages and then ponder, what is new or has an additional layer of meaning for you today?

Matthew 26:20–30
 John 6: 26–59
 1 Corinthians 10:15–22; and also 11:17–34

B. On Sunday in worship the pastors had a dialogue over 4 questions. How do you answer them?

1. What images, metaphors, or explanations are the most helpful ways for you to think about communion? How would you explain what it is to a child?
2. What should the habit of sharing in communion do to the character of a church?
3. 1 Corinthians 11 has a warning for us against taking the meal in an unworthy manner. What does that mean?
4. Can you share a significant experience you've had while taking communion?

Scripture passage for February 19

⁶⁰ On hearing it, many of his disciples said, “This is a hard teaching. Who can accept it?”

⁶¹ Aware that his disciples were grumbling about this, Jesus said to them, “Does this offend you? ⁶² Then what if you see the Son of Man ascend to where he was before! ⁶³ The Spirit gives life; the flesh counts for nothing. The words I have spoken to you—they are full of the Spirit and life. ⁶⁴ Yet there are some of you who do not believe.” For Jesus had known from the beginning which of them did not believe and who would betray him. ⁶⁵ He went on to say, “This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless the Father has enabled them.”

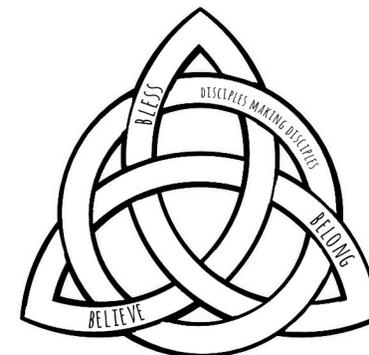
⁶⁶ From this time many of his disciples turned back and no longer followed him.

⁶⁷ “You do not want to leave too, do you?” Jesus asked the Twelve.

⁶⁸ Simon Peter answered him, “Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. ⁶⁹ We have come to believe and to know that you are the Holy One of God.”

⁷⁰ Then Jesus replied, “Have I not chosen you, the Twelve? Yet one of you is a devil!” ⁷¹ (He meant Judas, the son of Simon Iscariot, who, though one of the Twelve, was later to betray him.)

John 6:60–71



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