# JESUS ON HOLY COMMUNION LUKE: JESUS FOR PAGANS AND SKEPTICS

First ReadingThe Gospel1 Peter 2: 11-17Luke 22:1-20

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Making disciples gripped by the gospel, living for God's glory.

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# Pastor's Blog

# WELCOME TO CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH!

We are a prayerful, Bible-teaching, evangelical church in the heart of the city with a heart for the city and the world. We are a member of the Anglican Network in Canada and part of the Fellowship of Confessing Anglicans. We seek to be a biblically faithful and orthodox church within the Anglican Way of following Jesus.

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#### Nursery & Sunday School

Nursery (0 - 24 months) and Sunday School (2 yrs - Grade 6) are available at the 10am Service. For Nursery, please bring children to the lobby before or during the service. For Sunday School, kids are invited to "follow the cross" during the third worship song.

# LEADERSHIP TEAM

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FINANCIAL INFORMATION

#### Giving

If you are visiting, please feel free to let the plate go by. If you would like to donate, there are two ways to give:

1) Place cash or cheques payable to "Church of the Messiah" in the offering plate on Sunday, or mail to the church office.

2) Visit messiahchurch.ca/give to donate online via CanadaHelps.

**Financial Update** at March 31: Target Offering: \$80,499 Actual Offering: \$61,368 ORTHODOX ANGLICANISM AND HOLY COMMUNION

#### Dear friends,

Today I will be preaching on Luke 22: 1-20. This Bible text gives Luke's account of Jesus instituting Holy Communion. Below are key Anglican statements on Communion. The first two are the full sentences which are to be said when the bread and the wine are distributed.

"The body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for you, preserve your body and soul unto everlasting life; take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on Him in your heart by faith within thanksgiving."

"The blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was shed for you, preserve your body and soul unto everlasting life; drink this in remembrance that Christ's blood was shed for you, and be thankful."

Note how these two sentences capture the wording of Jesus in instituting the Lord's Supper. They also make sure that we understand that we "feed" on Jesus "in our heart by faith with thanksgiving."

The "39 Articles" is a key doctrinal statement for both historic and orthodox Anglicanism. Articles 25 - 26 and 28 - 31 deal with communion. Here is a selection of what the Articles say about the Lord's Supper.

"The body of Christ is given, taken and eaten in the Supper, only after an heavenly and spiritual manner. And the mean whereby the body of Christ is received and eaten in the Supper is faith. The sacrament of the Lord's Supper was not by Christ's ordinance reserved, carried about, lifted up or worshipped."

"Sacraments ordained of Christ be not only badges or tokens of Christian men and women's profession, but rather they be certain sure witnesses, and effectual signs of grace, and God's good will toward us, by which He does work invisibly in us, and does not only quicken, but also strengthen and confirm our faith in Him. There are two sacraments ordained by Christ our Lord in the Gospel, that is to say Baptism, and the Supper of the Lord."

"Transubstantiation (or the change of the substance of bread and wine) in the Supper of the Lord cannot be proved by the Bible, and is against the plain words of Scripture."

George +

### I need to develop godly attitudes.

A) Pray for godly attitudes in general & certain attitudes in particular.

B) Ask others to pray the same thing for you.

C) Repeat the attitude to help it sink in. Do this in conjunction with A & B!

## Attitudes.

1) I will not participate in anything religious or spiritual which does not exalt Jesus Christ crucified.

2) As a follower of Jesus, I will not take demons lightly, or ignore them, or fear them.

3) Holy Communion is a reminder of Jesus' death by crucifixion for sinners.

## I need to grow in prayer.

A great way to do this is to learn to pray the Bible. Pray this prayer until you can pray without reading: Dear Lord, it is so easy for me to make worship and communion all about me. It is so easy for me to think about how I am feeling and evaluate the service based on whether or not I had the feelings I wanted. Please forgive me for this. During communion and during worship, please help me to remember Jesus - who He is and what He did for me on the cross. Please make me a disciple of Jesus, gripped by the gospel, living for Your glory. In Jesus' name. Amen.

### I need to get God's word in my mind and heart.

" And he took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying, "This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood." Luke 22: 19-20

### I need to do something or start to do something.

Complete the following sentence: "In light of God's word, the Holy Spirit is leading me to \_\_\_\_\_\_."

# GOING DEEPER

## Getting to know me.

If you could only have one more meal, what would you choose for your last meal?

## Getting into the Bible.

Please remember to pray for wisdom as you read God's word written.
1) Read Luke 22: 1-23
2) Read Luke 22: 8. The read Exodus 12: 1-28
3) Read Luke 22: 19-20. Then read Matthew 26: 14-29; Mark 14: 10-25;
1 Corinthians 11: 17-34

## Getting real.

How is God "pressing-in" on you? Can you share something of this so others can pray for you?

TUE / APR 28Messiah Prayer Meeting<br/>7:00pm @ Messiah Office / 315 Lisgar St.

The House (Home Group) 7:00pm @ 148 Augusta St.

Lowertown Home Group 7:00pm @ 110 Nelson St.

#### WED / APR 29 The Wurtemburg Home Group 7:30pm @ 84 Fairmont Ave.

#### THU / APR 30 Old Ottawa South Home Group 7:15pm @ 267 Sunnyside Ave.

- FRI / MAY 1Revive Youth7:00 pm @ Ecole Sainte-Anne / 340 York St.
- **SAT / MAY 2** Morning fellowship event with Bishop Charlie Coffee @ 9:30am / presentation @ 10 am on the ground floor at The Bible House / 315 Lisgar St.

#### SUN / MAY 3 Bishop Charlie leads worship Potluck Lunch immediately following the 10 am service. Please bring sandwiches, finger food or dessert to share.

# MON / MAY 4 Jericho Road Coffeehouse

7:00pm @ First Baptist / Elgin & Laurier Food prep and volunteers needed. Sign up at coffee time or email info@messiahchurch.ca to get involved!

SUN / MAY 24 The regular 10 am worship service will be held at 9 am

# We need you!

Will you help collect the offering or act as a door host on Sunday mornings? If you feel led to serve in this way, please contact: shirley@messiahchurch.ca or 613.235.0596