

Sunday 5 April

COMMUNION SERVICE, 6.30PM


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Psalm 95: 1-8a

Let Us Sing Songs of Praise

- 95** Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
- ² Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
- ³ For the LORD is a great God,
and a great King above all gods.
- ⁴ In his hand are the depths of the earth;
the heights of the mountains are his also.
- ⁵ The sea is his, for he made it,
and his hands formed the dry land.

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Oh come, let us worship and bow down;
let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!
⁷ For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture,
and the sheep of his hand.
Today, if you hear his voice,
⁸ do not harden your hearts

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Worship



- ▶ Awake Awake O Zion
- ▶ Come People of the Risen King
- ▶ I will bless the Lord forever

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Prayer and then Open Time

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Matthew 26: 26-29

Institution of the Lord's Supper

²⁶ Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is my body." ²⁷ And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you, ²⁸ for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. ²⁹ I tell you I will not drink again of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom."

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Luke 22:19

"Do this in remembrance of me"

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Matthew 26:26

"**This is my body...**"

We remember His humanity, His incarnation.

We remember that the eternal word became flesh and dwelt among us.
(John 1:14)

"For we do not have a high priest who is unable to **sympathize with our weaknesses**, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. ¹⁶Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may **receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.**" (Hebrews 4: 14-16)

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Matthew 26:28

"This is my blood"

We remember that in His humanity, "He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross." (Philippians 2:8)

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Matthew 26:27

"Drink of it, all of you"

He's talking to a new community.

As we gather together, even in this way, and we take the bread and wine, we are reminded of our unity to one another, a unity provided by the blood of Jesus.

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Matthew 26:28

"Poured out for many, for the **forgiveness of sins**."

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"**Poured out for many**, for the forgiveness of sins."

This remembrance refocuses our mission as a church.

"For God so loved **the world**, that he gave his only Son, that **whoever** believes in him **should not perish** but have eternal life." (John 3:16)

As we hold the bread and cup we are holding a message to the world, we are proclaiming His death and resurrection until He comes again.

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Worship, Prayer and taking Communion

- ▶ How deep the Father's love for us
- ▶ Give thanks for bread and cup
- ▶ Take bread and wine
- ▶ Tis finished