

***Take this
bread***

How did Jesus choose to reveal himself to the world?

- ...being in very nature God, he did not consider equality with God something to be grasped but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness....
- ...he came not to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many...

Isaiah 58

- True fasting: loose chains of injustice, set the captives free, share food with the hungry, provide shelter, clothe the naked, spend yourself on behalf of the hungry, satisfy the needs of the oppressed.
- Then your light will break forth like the Dayspring.
- Honour the Sabbath day by not going your own way and not doing as you please...
- Then you will find your joy in the Lord, and I will cause you to ride on the heights of the land and to feast on the inheritance of your father Jacob.



























- What stands out to you, if anything, about the communion service in the church where you worship?
- Explain the mood in your church when partaking of communion.
- Do you experience communion as meaningful? Explain.

John 6: 35

Jesus said,

“I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never go hungry and he who believes in me will never be thirsty.” v35

“Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him.” v56

“The one who feeds on me will live because of me.” v58

Luke 11: 36

When Jesus had finished speaking a Pharisee invited him to eat with him, so he went in and reclined at the table. But the Pharisee, noticing that Jesus did not first wash before the meal was surprised.

Then the Lord said to him, “Now then, you Pharisees clean the outside of the cup and dish but inside you are full of greed and wickedness...”

Luke 14

One Sabbath, when Jesus went to eat in the house of a prominent Pharisee he was being carefully watched. There in front of him was a man suffering from dropsy. Jesus asked the Pharisees and experts in the law, "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath or not?" But they remained silent. So taking hold of the man he healed him and sent him away.

Then he asked them, "If one of you has a son or an ox that falls into a well on the Sabbath day will you not immediately pull him out?" And they had nothing to say.

Luke 14: 12

Jesus said to his host, “When you give a luncheon or dinner, do not invite your friends, your brothers, or relatives, or your rich neighbours; if you do , they may invite you back and so you will be repaid. But when you give a banquet invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind and you will be blessed. Although they cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.”

Matthew 9: 10-13

While Jesus was having dinner at Matthew's house, many tax collectors and 'sinners' came and ate with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this they asked his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and 'sinners'?"

On hearing this Jesus said, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. But go and learn what this means: I desire mercy, not sacrifice. For I have not come to call the righteous but sinners."

Matthew 26:6

While Jesus was in Bethany in the home of a man known as Simon the leper, a woman came to him with an alabaster jar of very expensive perfume, which she poured on his head as he was reclining at the table.

When the disciples saw this they were indignant. “Why this waste?” they asked. “This perfume could have been sold at a high price and the money given to the poor.”

Aware of this, Jesus said to them, “Why are you bothering this woman? She has done a beautiful thing to me. The poor you will always have with you, but you will not always have me. When she poured this perfume on my body, she did this to prepare me for burial. I tell you the truth, wherever this gospel is preached throughout the world, what she has done will also be told in memory of her.

Feeding of the four and five thousand.

Luke 9

Mark 8

Mark 6: 30 Jesus says to the disciples,
“You give them something to eat.”

Deuteronomy 16:3

(Instructions about celebrating the
Passover)

Do not eat it with bread made with yeast, but for seven days eat unleavened bread, the bread of affliction, because you left Egypt in haste – so that all the days of your life you may remember the time of your departure from Egypt.

Luke 22: 20

And he took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them saying, “This is my body given for you, do this in remembrance of me.”

Revelation 3:20

Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door; I will come in and eat with him, and he with me.