

What We Believe and How We Live It Out: Communion

At Pioneer Bible Church, communion is a gospel-centered act of remembrance and proclamation. When we take the bread and the cup, we remember Jesus' body given and His blood shed for us, and we proclaim His death until He comes again. (Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–26)

Communion is intended for those who trust in Jesus Christ and desire to walk in repentance. It is not a reward for spiritual maturity or perfection, but a gracious invitation for imperfect people who are turning toward Christ in faith and humility. If you are still exploring faith, you are welcome to observe and reflect on what communion represents. (Romans 5:8; Matthew 11:28; 1 Corinthians 11:28)

Scripture calls believers to examine themselves as they come to the table. This self-examination is not about deciding whether we are worthy enough, but about coming honestly before God, remembering Christ's sacrifice, and responding with repentance and faith. The responsibility for this reflection rests with each individual before God, guided by the Holy Spirit. (1 Corinthians 11:27–29; Psalm 51:17; 1 John 1:7–9; Romans 14:4, 12; John 16:8)

We seek to teach the meaning of communion, the call to repentance, and the seriousness of the table clearly and consistently over time through Scripture, preaching, and the way the table is led. While leaders may emphasize these truths in different ways, our shared aim is to form a congregation that understands and responds faithfully to the gospel. (Acts 2:42; 2 Timothy 4:2; Ephesians 4:11–16)

We believe communion is serious and sacred, yet gracious and hope-filled. Our desire is to hold together both the seriousness of the table and the grace of the gospel as we follow Jesus together, trusting God to work in each person's heart. (1 Corinthians 10:16–17; Hebrews 4:16; Philippians 1:6)