

The Church Has Two Ordinances That We Celebrate

What is an ordinance?

An ordinance is something that Jesus commanded and that the early church celebrated.

Baptism

Why do we baptize?

Jesus was baptized (Matthew 3:13-16)

Jesus told us to baptize (Matthew 28:19-20)

When do we baptize?

Always after people become Christians. Baptism does not save you. It is a picture to others of what Christ has already done in your life.

Baptism is a picture.

It pictures what happens in our lives when we accept Jesus as Savior. Under the water: I have let Jesus bury my old way of living. Up out of the water: I have a new life because of what Jesus did for me.



Lord's Supper

What is the Lord's Supper?

A way of remembering Jesus' death until He returns by eating bread and drinking juice.

Who can take the Lord's Supper?

Baptized believers in Jesus

Why do we have the Lord's Supper?

Jesus commanded us to do it (! Corinthians 11:23-26)

What does the Lord's Supper do for us?

It reminds us that Jesus died for us.

Why do we use bread and juice?

Jesus observed the first Lord's Supper that way. The bread reminds us of his body that He gave on the cross.

The juice reminds us of the blood Jesus shed on the cross.

