VISITOR - LORD'S SUPPER PARTICIPATION



To participate in the Lord's Supper, please read this card <u>carefully</u>, fill out the perforated card, tear it off, and place it in the box in front of you in the pew. We will share with your home church your participation in worship with us.

We love our Lord, and we love you. The Lord's Supper is not only a <u>personal</u> participation in Christ, it is a <u>communal</u> participation in Christ (1 Cor. 10:16-17). We hold several important beliefs about the Supper:

We believe baptism and the Lord's Supper are the only two sacraments and are means of grace (Heidelberg Catechism 66).

We believe that by eating and drinking the bread and wine, we are feeding on Christ's true body and true blood <u>spiritually by faith</u> (HC 79).

We believe that, by eating and drinking his Supper by faith, Jesus our Lord is <u>nourishing and</u> <u>refreshing our souls to everlasting</u> <u>life</u> with his crucified body and shed blood (HC 75).

We believe the Lord's Supper is only for believers who are members of local churches that have three marks:

- 1. The pure preaching of the gospel
- 2. The pure administration of the sacraments, and
- 3. The use of church discipline.

We believe that our elders have a God-given responsibility to serve the Supper as Christ commands (HC 82).

If you profess the affirmations on the attached tear off card, we welcome you to join us for communion in the spirit of unity in Christ.

If you do not profess these affirmations or do not know what they mean, please abstain from communion today. Our Elders welcome the opportunity to talk and pray with you. We are thankful for the universal church, the communion of saints, and that you are here today.

We do hope that you'll respect our practice to care for souls in obedience to God's Word (Acts 20:28; 1 Pet. 5:2; 1 Cor. 11:17-34).

PLEASE KEEP THIS PART OF THE CARD

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PLEASE FILL THIS CARD OUT, TEAR IT OFF, & PLACE IT IN THE BOX IN FRONT OF YOU IN THE PEW

- □ *I have made a public profession of faith* in a Protestant Christian church that bears the three necessary marks mentioned above, am an active member of it, am under the shepherding care of its elders, and am not under church discipline
- □ *I have been baptized* with water as an infant or adult in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
- □ *I confess* the gospel as summarized in the Apostles' Creed and trust that my sins are forgiven me in Christ
- □ *I believe* that I am justified before God because of Christ's righteousness granted to me by faith alone and not by works done by me
- □ *I am truly displeased* with myself because of my sins, am sorrowful over them, and desire my life to be more and more conformed to Christ by his Holy Spirit at work in me

I affirm that I understand the above points and that they are true of me, and I joyfully accept the invitation to come to the Lord's Table to feast upon Christ and receive his grace by faith alone.

Name:

Church:

Church City & State: