

COMMUNION HANDOUT

Mark 14.12-26

Narrator. On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb is sacrificed, his disciples said to him,

Disciple. 'Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?'

Narrator. So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them,

Jesus. 'Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you; follow him, and wherever he enters, say to the owner of the house, "The Teacher asks, Where is my guest room where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?" He will show you a large room upstairs, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there.'

Narrator. So the disciples set out and went to the city, and found everything as he had told them; and they prepared the Passover meal.

When it was evening, he came with the twelve. And when they had taken their places and were eating, Jesus said,

Jesus. 'Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me, one who is eating with me.'

Narrator. They began to be distressed and to say to him one after another,

All. 'Surely, not I?'

Jesus. 'It is one of the twelve, one who is dipping bread into the bowl with me. For the Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that one by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that one not to have been born.'

Narrator. While they were eating, he took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to them, and said,

Jesus. 'Take; this is my body.'

Narrator. Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, and all of them drank from it.

Jesus. 'This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. Truly I tell you, I will never again drink of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God.'

Narrator. When they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

1 Corinthians 11.23-26

For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, 'This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.' For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.