



Year 4 Spring 2 RE- Christianity: Holy Communion



Holy Communion practice and customs

1. Bible Readings
The prayers and readings during Holy Communion remind people of Jesus' final meal with his disciples.
2. Preparation of the Table
Bread and wine are placed on the table at the front of the people gathered.
3. The Eucharistic Prayer
A special prayer is said by a vicar to remind the people at church about the importance of Holy Communion
4. The Breaking of the bread
Jesus said: "I am the bread of life." Bread is broken in remembrance of Him.
5. Receiving Communion
The people taking part drink a sip of wine (or grape juice) from a special metal cup and eat a small piece of bread/cracker.

Glossary

Holy Communion	A re-enactment of the Last Supper. On the night before he died Jesus shared bread and wine with his closest friends and followers. He told them the bread was his body and the wine was his blood.
symbol	A picture that represents something.
Eucharistic Prayer	A special prayer is said by a vicar to remind the people at church about the importance of Holy Communion
disciples	One of Jesus' followers.

What did the last supper represent?

The disciples and Jesus gathered together to celebrate the Jewish festival of Passover.

This was the last time they all gathered before Jesus was crucified on the cross on Good Friday.

This is important because Holy Communion represents when Jesus broke the bread and gave it to his disciples during the last supper.

What does each symbol represent for Holy Communion?

- Wine = Jesus' blood
- Bread = Jesus' body
- Cross = where Jesus was crucified
- Dove = peace
- Book = Holy Bible