

TEXTS SHEET FOR CRAIGVILLE THEOLOGICAL COLLOQUY IV, 5-8 October 87*The Eucharist/Communion in the United Church of Christ*

Please carry this sheet with you to all sessions. It's the handiest way to get at the relevant NT texts, and it includes the text of the UCC "Statement of Mission" adopted at the most recent General Synod....So that the rest of our space may be given to the scriptures, here first is the "Statement of Mission" as printed in the Feb/87 UNITED CHURCH NEWS:

As people of the United Church of Christ, affirming our Statement of Faith, we seek within the Church Universal to participate in God's mission and to follow the way of the crucified and risen Christ.

*The Statement, though not formally on our agenda, provides (1) a reminder that the Colloquy seeks to serve our church's mission and (2) a verbal context for inter-relating our church's mission and the Colloquy's agenda.*

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| 1  | - to praise God, confess our sin, and joyfully accept God's forgiveness;   |
| 2  | - to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ in our suffering world;           |
| 3  | - to embody God's love for all people;                                     |
| 4  | - to hear and give voice to Creation's cry for justice and peace;          |
| 5  | - to name and confront the powers of evil within and among us;             |
| 6  | - to repent our silence and complicity with the forces of chaos and death; |
| 7  | - to preach and teach with the power of the Living Word;                   |
| 8  | - to join oppressed and trouble people in the struggle for liberation;     |
| 9  | - to work for justice, healing, and wholeness of life;                     |
| 10 | - to embrace the unity of Christ's church;                                 |
| 11 | - to discern and celebrate the present and coming reign of God.            |

Not to exceed a single sheet, the only relevant scriptures here printed in full are the four bearing (in NIV) the heading "The Lord's Supper" (our scriptures 1-4, over). These are printed (1) for easy reference & (2) so we can work with a single English rendering. On scriptures 2-4, some may want to use GOSPEL PARALLELS (Thos.Nelson)\* or the Greek original thereof, SYNOPSIS DER DREI ERSTEN EVANGELIEN (J.C.B.Mohr/81, the Greeven updating of Huck). (To catch all 4 Gospels, best is Kurt Aland, SYNOPSIS OF THE FOUR GOSPELS, United Bible Societies/86.)...\*Secs.234-238.

Finally, you may find it efficient to refer to the scriptures by number (again, 1-4 being p.2 of this sheet)....Here are the other numbers, with space for your identifying notes: (To print all would have taken 9 sheets!)

5. John 6:25-59 (especially 48-58)

6. 1 Corinthians 5:6-8

7. " 10:1 - 11:1 (+ through chap.15)

8. John 4:7-15 (+ 21:4-23)

9. " 6:1-24

10. " 13:1-35

11. Luke 24:13-53

12. Hebrews 2:9-18, 4:14-chap.10

### The Lord's Supper

<sup>17</sup>In the following directives I have no praise for you, for your meetings do more harm than good. <sup>18</sup>In the first place, I hear that when you come together as a church, there are divisions among you, and to some extent I believe it. <sup>19</sup>No doubt there have to be differences among you to show which of you have God's approval. <sup>20</sup>When you come together, it is not the Lord's Supper you eat, <sup>21</sup>for as you eat, each of you goes ahead without waiting for anybody else. One remains hungry, another gets drunk. <sup>22</sup>Don't you have homes to eat and drink in? Or do you despise the church of God and humiliate those who have nothing? What shall I say to you? Shall I praise you for this? Certainly not!

<sup>23</sup>For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, <sup>24</sup>and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." <sup>25</sup>In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me." <sup>26</sup>For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

<sup>27</sup>Therefore, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. <sup>28</sup>A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. <sup>29</sup>For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself. <sup>30</sup>That is why many among you are weak and sick, and a number of you have fallen asleep. <sup>31</sup>But if we judged ourselves, we would not come under judgment. <sup>32</sup>When we are judged by the Lord, we are being disciplined so that we will not be condemned with the world.

<sup>33</sup>So then, my brothers, when you come together to eat, wait for each other. <sup>34</sup>If anyone is hungry, he should eat at home, so that when you meet together it may not result in judgment.

### The Lord's Supper

<sup>17</sup>On the first day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread, the disciples came to Jesus and asked, "Where do you want us to make preparations for you to eat the Passover?"

<sup>18</sup>He replied, "Go into the city to a certain man and tell him, 'The Teacher says: My appointed time is near. I am going to celebrate the Passover with my disciples at your house.'"<sup>19</sup>So the disciples did as Jesus had directed them and prepared the Passover.

<sup>20</sup>When evening came, Jesus was reclining at the table with the Twelve. <sup>21</sup>And while they were eating, he said, "I tell you the truth, one of you will betray me."

<sup>22</sup>They were very sad and began to say to him one after the other, "Surely not I, Lord?"

<sup>23</sup>Jesus replied, "The one who has dipped his hand into the bowl with me will betray me. <sup>24</sup>The Son of Man will go just as it is written about him. But woe to that man who betrays the Son of Man! It would be better for him if he had not been born."

<sup>25</sup>Then Judas, the one who would betray him, said, "Surely not I, Rabbi?"

<sup>26</sup>Jesus answered, "Yes, it is you." <sup>27</sup>While they were eating, Jesus took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body."

<sup>28</sup>Then he took the cup, gave thanks and offered it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you. <sup>29</sup>This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. <sup>30</sup>I tell you, I will not drink of this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it anew with you in my Father's kingdom."

<sup>31</sup>When they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

### The Lord's Supper

<sup>12</sup>On the first day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread, when it was customary to sacrifice the Passover lamb, Jesus' disciples asked him, "Where do you want us to go and make preparations for you to eat the Passover?"

<sup>13</sup>So he sent two of his disciples, telling them, "Go into the city, and a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him. <sup>14</sup>Say to the owner of the house he enters, 'The Teacher asks: Where is my guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' <sup>15</sup>He will show you a large upper room, furnished and ready. Make preparations for us there."

<sup>16</sup>The disciples left, went into the city and found things just as Jesus had told them. So they prepared the Passover.

<sup>17</sup>When evening came, Jesus arrived with the Twelve. <sup>18</sup>While they were reclining at the table eating, he said, "I tell you the truth, one of you will betray me—one who is eating with me."

<sup>19</sup>They were saddened, and one by one they said to him, "Surely not I?"

<sup>20</sup>"It is one of the Twelve," he replied, "one who dips bread into the bowl with me. <sup>21</sup>The Son of Man will go just as it is written about him. But woe to that man who betrays the Son of Man! It would be better for him if he had not been born."

<sup>22</sup>While they were eating, Jesus took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take it; this is my body."

<sup>23</sup>Then he took the cup, gave thanks and offered it to them, and they all drank from it.

<sup>24</sup>"This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many," he said to them. <sup>25</sup>"I tell you the truth, I will not drink again of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it anew in the kingdom of God."

<sup>26</sup>When they had sung a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

### The Last Supper

<sup>7</sup>Then came the day of Unleavened Bread on which the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed. <sup>8</sup>Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, "Go and make preparations for us to eat the Passover."

<sup>9</sup>"Where do you want us to prepare for it?" they asked.

<sup>10</sup>He replied, "As you enter the city, a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him to the house that he enters, <sup>11</sup>and say to the owner of the house, 'The Teacher asks: Where is the guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' <sup>12</sup>He will show you a large upper room, all furnished. Make preparations there."

<sup>13</sup>They left and found things just as Jesus had told them. So they prepared the Passover.

<sup>14</sup>When the hour came, Jesus and his apostles reclined at the table. <sup>15</sup>And he said to them, "I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer."

<sup>16</sup>For I tell you, I will not eat it again until it finds fulfillment in the kingdom of God."

<sup>17</sup>After taking the cup, he gave thanks and said, "Take this and divide it among you. <sup>18</sup>For I tell you I will not drink again of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes."

<sup>19</sup>And he took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body given for you; do this in remembrance of me."

<sup>20</sup>In the same way, after the supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you. <sup>21</sup>But the hand of him who is going to betray me is with mine on the table. <sup>22</sup>The Son of Man will go as it has been decreed, but woe to that man who betrays him." <sup>23</sup>They began to question among themselves which of them it might be who would do this.