

# Everyday **FAITH** Family Page

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## Law/Gospel

I sin when I deny the real presence of Christ in the Sacrament of the Altar. **Christ is truly present in the Sacrament through His body and blood in, with, and under the bread and wine.**

## Bible Words

[Jesus says,] “This is My body. . . . This is My blood . . . for the forgiveness of sins.” Matthew 26:26, 28

## Prayer

Dear Jesus, help us to remember that in the Lord’s Supper, You are truly present through Your body and blood in, with, and under the bread and wine. May we rejoice in the forgiveness of sins You won for us on the cross, promised to us in Your body and blood. In Your name we pray. Amen.

## The Emmaus Disciples See Jesus

Luke 24:13–35

It was the talk of the town. Jesus of Nazareth, the obscure carpenter’s son, had been arrested, condemned, and put to death on a Roman cross. Many people loved Jesus and looked to Him to usher in a new era for the Jews—freedom from the oppression and tyranny of Rome and then strength and prosperity for Israel. This Jewish leadership had other plans. In order to maintain their authority and position in society, the Pharisees, elders, and teachers of the law, among others, arranged to have Jesus arrested. Then they orchestrated His demise. In the midst of such exciting times, what else would two men on the road to Emmaus discuss?

Jesus cleverly brought together a number of events from the past to dramatically present Himself to Cleopas and his companion. Before His arrest and crucifixion, Jesus celebrated the Passover with His disciples and instituted the Lord’s Supper. This involved the breaking of the bread. On the road to Emmaus, our Lord taught them all things concerning Himself as had been presented in Moses and the prophets of the Old Testament. Then, sitting at table, Jesus broke bread, tying it all together.

All that was explained and predicted in the Old Testament was brought to fruition in Jesus on the cross. We truly receive Christ and the benefits of what He has done for us in the Sacrament of Holy Communion.