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THE LORD'S SUPPER → *Please Review this information:*

(1 Corinthians chapters 10 & 11 NIV)

- **Why Receive Often?** “For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.” (11:26)
- **What is Received?** “Is not the cup [wine] of thanksgiving for which we give thanks a participation in the blood of Christ? And is not the bread that we break a participation in the body of Christ?” (10:16) “This is my blood of the covenant...for the forgiveness of sins.”(Matt. 26:28)
- **Is Repentance Important?** ²⁷“...whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner [*unrepentant – without sorrow for sin and trust in Jesus*] will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord... ³⁰ That is why many among you are weak and sick, and a number of you have fallen asleep [*died*].”
- **Is Unity Important?** “I appeal to you, brothers, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree with one another so that there may be no divisions among you and that you may be perfectly united in mind and thought.” (1:10)
- **Who Should Receive?** → *Members of this church, other LCMS members, and those who have received permission from Pastor, who:*
 - Are sorry for their sins (2 Cor. 7:10-11).
 - Believe in Jesus and His words of institution.
 - Plan, *by the Spirit*, to turn from their sins.For others who desire to receive in the future, contact Pastor at 440-845-2230 or pastor@blc7500.com
- **Receive at Your Pew** → *Please notify an usher.*
- **Not Communing** → *All ages are welcome for a spoken blessing; please cross your arms.*
- **More Information** → *See these two brochures in the rack by our main entrance: “Holy Communion” and “The Lord’s Supper”*

LORD'S SUPPER DISTRIBUTION AND DISMISSAL INFORMATION:

- Center cups → *alcohol removed wine.*
- Before receiving → you may make the sign of the cross as a reminder of your baptism and the source of Jesus’ body and blood.
- After the dismissal → please say “Amen” to indicate your acceptance of the blessings offered in the words of the dismissal.
- Return with joy → your sins are forgiven!