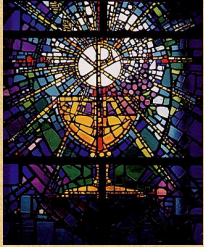


The Eucharist – Sign of Unity

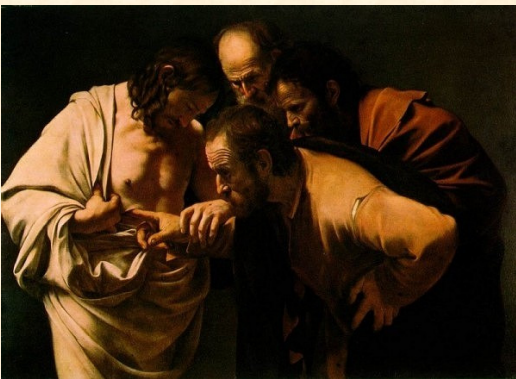


John 20: 24 - 28

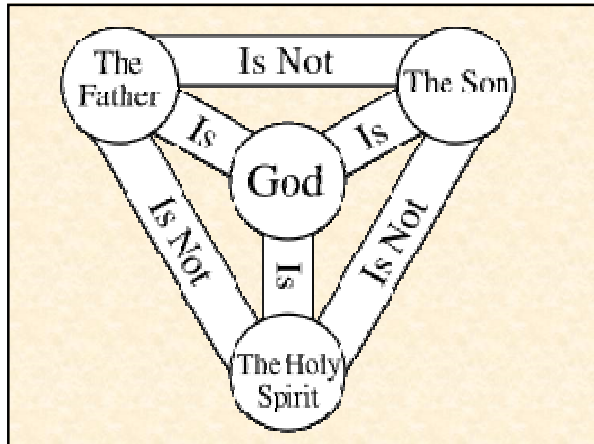


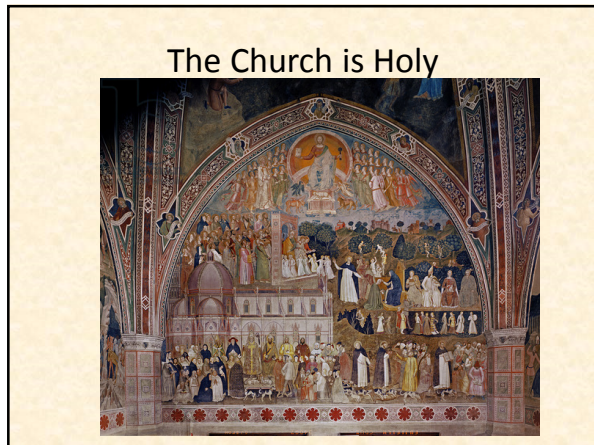
The Apostle Thomas by El Greco

“Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nail marks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe.”



“bring your hand and put it into my side”







St Paul to the Corinthians



- The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ?
- The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ?
- Because the loaf of bread is one, we, though many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf

St Paul to the Corinthians



- I hear that when you meet as a church there are divisions among you
- When you meet in one place, then, it is not to eat the Lord's supper, for in eating, each one goes ahead with his own supper, and one goes hungry while another gets drunk.



The Lord Jesus, on the night he was handed over, took bread, and, after he had given thanks, broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." 1 Cor 11:23-24

Do This in Remembrance

- Not a “mere” memorial
- Translation – clarity of language vs clarity of thought
- Hebrew - Greek – Latin – English
- zikaron – anamnesis – commemorationem - memory

Anamnesis



Christian liturgy not only recalls the events that saved us but actualizes them, makes them present. The Paschal mystery of Christ is celebrated, not repeated. In each celebration there is an outpouring of the Holy Spirit that makes the unique mystery present.

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Catechesis of the Good Shepherd



Offeratory – Take bread and wine



Eucharistic prayer – Give thanks



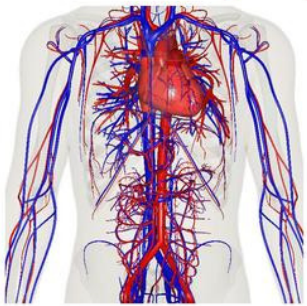
Fracture – Break the bread



Communion — Eat and drink



The Circulatory System



Jesus



Go, therefore and
make disciples
of all nations ...
And behold, I am
with you always.

Matthew 28: 19-20
