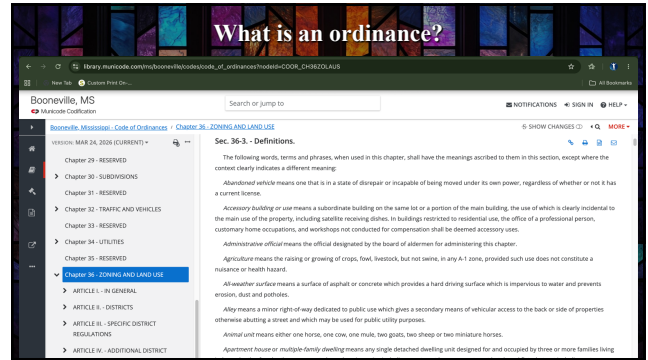
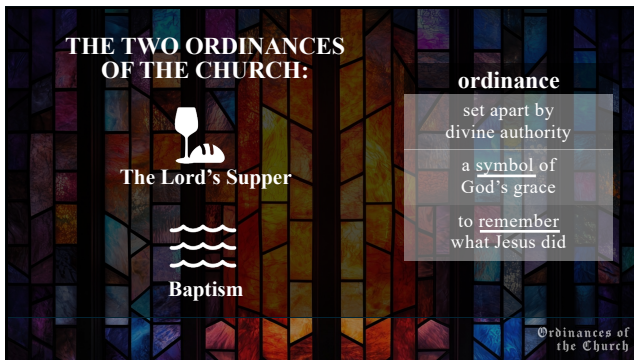




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Matthew 26:26-30

²⁶ As they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed and broke it, gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take and eat it; this is my body."²⁷ Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks, he gave it to them and said, "Drink from it, all of you."²⁸ For this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.²⁹ But I tell you, I will not drink from this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom."³⁰ After singing a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

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THE LORD'S SUPPER STIRS THANKFUL HEARTS**Matthew 26:26-27**

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With an attitude of thanksgiving; eucharist = Greek *eucharistia* = "thanksgiving" or "gratitude" (Matt. 26:27, Mark 14:22-23, Luke 22:17-19, 1 Cor. 11:23-26)

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THE LORD'S SUPPER CONTRASTS OLD & NEW**Matthew 26:28**

For this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Covenant = Testament

The Old Covenant	The New Covenant
Written on stone tablets (Ex. 20:1-17)	Written directly on human hearts by the Holy Spirit (Jer. 31:33, Rom. 2:15)
Required human priests to stand between God and the people (Lev. 16, Heb. 5:1)	Gives every believer direct and intimate access to God (Jer. 31:33, Heb. 10:19-22)
Brought judgement and death because people failed to keep it (Rom. 7:10-11)	Brings life, righteousness, and permanent spiritual freedom (2 Cor. 3:6-17)

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PREPARE FOR THE LORD'S SUPPER**1 Corinthians 11:26**

For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

- Spend time in 1 Corinthians 11:27-29 and in prayer.
- Examine yourself (confess & repent).
- Make peace in relationships (look around).
- Remember what Christ has done (look back).
- Anticipate the return of Christ (look ahead).
- **Lord's Supper is Sunday, September 6.**

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