

what we believe

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WE BELIEVE IN TWO BIBLE ORDINANCES

Matthew 28:19-20 – Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.

ORDINANCE A rule established by an AUTHORITY. A permanent rule of action or an established rite of ceremony.

The Two Ordinances are:

- 1st **WATER BAPTISM**
- 2nd **HOLY COMMUNION**

What is the Biblical METHOD of baptism?

Baptize means to dip or IMMERSE.

A/ Water is REQUIRED – Acts 8:36

B/ Much water is NEEDED – John 3:23

C/ Both the baptizer and the one being baptized go into the WATER – Acts 8:38

D/ In Baptism we are BURIED – Romans 6:4

Romans 6:4 – We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.

What is the Biblical FORMULA for water baptism?

Matthew 28:19 – Baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

Who can be baptized?

Sinners must first repent and believe – Mark 1:15 & Acts 2:38

When should baptism occur?

As soon after SALVATION as possible.

The 2nd **ORDINANCE** We at Trinity Church Embrace is - HOLY Communion.

1 Corinthians 11:24 – 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.*”

Communion means, the act of sharing, or holding in COMMON – in other words, participation.

Roman CATHOLICS believe in **TRANSUBSTANTIATION**.

LUTHERANS believe in **CONSUBSTANTIATION**.

We believe that HOLY Communion is about **REMEMBERING**.

We remember that there was NOTHING easy for Jesus and how we really got to this place of salvation.

We Believe that Holy Communion sustains US.

We believe that Holy Communion HELPS us to **EXAMINE OURSELVES**.

We believe that Holy Communion helps us to REMAIN **EXPECTING**.