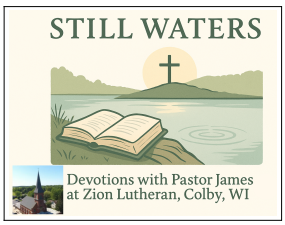
Date: June 14, 2026
Suggested Reading: 1 Corinthians 11:23–27
Text: 1 Corinthians 11:26
As often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord.



Where Is This Written?

Around the farm, the shop, or the kitchen, directions matter. A recipe, a repair manual, or a seed tag tells us what is actually there and how it is meant to be used. Guessing can make a mess. Guessing with holy things is far more dangerous.

We often want God's gifts to fit what we can understand. We may treat Holy Communion casually, come distracted, or assume our feelings decide what is happening. St. Paul's warning to Corinth reminds us the Lord's Supper is holy because Christ Himself is present. Our sin is serious. Our pride, carelessness, and cold hearts need more than a gentle reminder. We need mercy.

Jesus gives that mercy. He doesn't leave us guessing. He gives us His own words: "This is My Body." "This cup is the new testament in My Blood." The Small Catechism points us to those words and teaches us to trust: "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins."

So we come with repentance and faith. We come tired, guilty, weak, hungry, and needy. Christ comes with forgiveness, life, and salvation. At His Table, the Savior serves sinners.

Prayer:
Lord Jesus, keep us close to Your Word and promises. Lead us to receive Your Supper with repentance, faith, and joy. Amen.

Thought for the Day:
You do not have to guess what Jesus gives. His Word tells you, and His promise is for you.

Hymn: LSB 619 – Thy Body, Given for Me, O Savior

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