

St. Mary's Episcopal Church
Wayne, Pa. 19087
Adult Formation on Sunday, November 24, 2024
A Consideration of the EUCHARIST

1. Let's listen to Mary Dixon, as she describes how altar guild members prepare for the Eucharist each Sunday.
2. What items have special symbolic significance?
3. What aspects of the preparation are significant to you?
4. This is another example of the role of the laity in our church tradition. Which role inspires you most and why?
5. How do the vestments worn for the Eucharist contribute to the service? Hand washing?
6. What about incense? Can we say a few words about when and why it's used?
7. Let's consider Articles 28 and 29 in the BCP. Do you have further thoughts about the role of the BCP in worship? The 39 Articles?
8. Perhaps most importantly, what internal process do we undergo when we receive Communion?
9. Can the answer be different for each person? Why or why not?
10. Let's consider why the bread and wine are a stumbling block to unity among the Protestant denominations. Why do some sects reject Communion? Isn't it obligatory (?) or recommended for all Christians?
11. Can you envision a time when Roman Catholics and Orthodox branches of the faith unite with Protestant and Quietist branches? Why or why not? Is unity even desirable?