

Introduction

- I. We consider the church as a body and her relationship to the other members.
- II. Our confession is that we believe the communion of the saints. What does this mean?

Communion in the Body

I. **The Amazing Communion**

- A. What unifies all the members of Christ's body? We are saints who have the same spiritual DNA.

- B. Those who are part of the communion of the one body of Christ show this on earth by being members of a church.

II. **The Beautiful Life**

- A. We are called to care for one another in the love of Jesus Christ (vs. 25).

- B. What does this communion of the saints look like in the church? It is serving by using our gifts for growth in sanctification. II Cor. 1:4; I Thess. 5:14

III. **The Heavenly Hope**

- A. The communion of the saints is a present blessing in the church although it is not perfect.

- B. Let us remember that one day this communion of the saints will be perfect when all sin is removed from us in heavenly glory.