

# CONFESSING OUR FAITH

## westminster larger catechism

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**A** Under the new testament, when Christ the substance was exhibited, the same covenant of grace was and still is to be administered in the preaching of the Word,<sup>1</sup> and the administration of the sacraments of baptism<sup>2</sup> and the Lord's Supper;<sup>3</sup> in which grace and salvation are held forth in more fullness, evidence, and efficacy, to all nations.<sup>4</sup>

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