1. Record Nr. UNINA9910809192103321 Autore Tait Jennifer L. Woodruff **Titolo** The poisoned chalice: Eucharistic grape juice and common-sense realism in Victorian Methodism / / Jennifer L. Woodruff Tait Tuscaloosa,: University of Alabama Press, c2011 Pubbl/distr/stampa 0-8173-8490-1 **ISBN** Edizione [1st ed.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (208 p.) Religion and American culture Collana Disciplina 264/.07036097309034 Lord's Supper - Wine - History of doctrines - 19th century Soggetti Lord's Supper - Methodist Episcopal Church - History of doctrines -19th century Temperance and religion - United States - History - 19th century Grape juice - United States - History - 19th century United States Church history 19th century Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Based on the author's Ph. D. thesis (Duke University, 2005). Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di bibliografia Nota di contenuto What has grape juice to do with common sense? -- Alcohol and science -- Alcohol and the overthrow of reason -- Alcohol, the ideal worker, and the poisoned chalice -- Alcohol and the truth of the Gospel --Common sense and the common cup -- Juice and cups or wine and chalice?: concluding thoughts on symbolism and minor vices. Sommario/riassunto This work examines the introduction of grape juice into the celebration of Holy Communion in the late 19th century Methodist Episcopal Church and reveals how a 1,800-year-old practice of using fermented communion wine became theologically incomprehensible in a mere forty years. Through study of denominational publications, influential exegetical works, popular fiction and songs, and didactic moral literature, Jennifer Woodruff Tait charts the development of opposing symbolic associations for wine and grape juice. She argues that 19th century Methodists, steeped in Baconian models of