

Catechism Memory Work

St. John Lutheran Church

Confirmation 2019-2020

PLEASE MEMORIZE THE FOLLOWING PARTS OF THE CATECHISM ACCORDING TO THIS TIME SCHEDULE.

HAND IN THE MEMORY TEST TO PASTOR JASON WHEN THEY ARE DUE.

STUDY THE FRONTSIDE WHICH HAS THE DEFINITIONS WITH EXPLANATIONS & THEN WRITE THE

MEMORY WORK ON THE BACKSIDE WITHOUT HELP [FILL IN THE MISSING WORDS/LINES].

END OF NOVEMBER

COMMANDMENTS 1-5

END OF DECEMBER

COMMANDMENTS 6-10

END OF JANUARY

EACH SECTION OF THE APOSTLES' CREED

END OF FEBRUARY

HOLY COMMUNION

END OF MARCH

HOLY BAPTISM

PASTOR JASON WILL CONTINUE WORKING WITH THE STUDENTS ALL THROUGHOUT THIS YEAR.

THE STUDENTS WILL BE ASKED TO DISPLAY THEIR KNOWLEDGE ON THIS WORK AS WELL.

From Luther's Small Catechism THE TEN COMMANDMENTS 1-5

The First Commandment You shall have no other gods.	<i>What is this? or What does this mean?</i> We are to fear, love, and trust God above all things.
The Second Commandment You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God.	<i>What is this? or What does this mean?</i> We are to fear and love God, so that we do not curse, swear, practice magic, lie, or deceive using God's name, but instead use that very name in every time of need to call on, pray to, praise, and give thanks to God.
The Third Commandment Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy.	<i>What is this? or What does this mean?</i> We are to fear and love God, so that we do not despise preaching or God's word, but instead keep that word holy and gladly hear and learn it.
The Fourth Commandment Honor your father and your mother.	<i>What is this? or What does this mean?</i> We are to fear and love God, so that we neither despise nor anger our parents and others in authority, but instead honor, serve, obey, love, and respect them.
The Fifth Commandment You shall not murder.	<i>What is this? or What does this mean?</i> We are to fear and love God, so that we neither endanger nor harm the lives of our neighbors, but instead help and support them in all of life's needs.

Choose two of these to memorize, and write them from Memory.

Copy the remaining three commandments

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1st Commandment _____

What does this mean for us?: We are to fear, _____, and _____

2nd Commandment _____

What does this mean for us?:

We are to _____ and love _____, so that we _____

but instead use that very name in _____

3rd Commandment _____

What does this mean for us?:

We are to fear and _____ God, so that we do not _____

_____ but instead _____

4th Commandment _____

What does this mean for us?:

We are to _____ and _____ God, so that we neither _____

_____ but instead _____

5th Commandment _____

What does this mean for us?:

We are to _____ and _____ God, so that we neither _____

_____ but instead _____

From Luther's Small Catechism THE TEN COMMANDMENTS 6-10

The Sixth Commandment You shall not commit adultery.	<i>What is this? or What does this mean?</i> We are to fear and love God, so that we lead pure and decent lives in word and deed, and each of us loves and honors his or her spouse.
The Seventh Commandment You shall not steal.	<i>What is this? or What does this mean?</i> We are to fear and love God, so that we neither take our neighbors' money or property nor acquire them by using shoddy merchandise or crooked deals, but instead help them to improve and protect their property and income.
The Eighth Commandment You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.	<i>What is this? or What does this mean?</i> We are to fear and love God, so that we do not tell lies about our neighbors, betray or slander them, or destroy their reputations. Instead we are to come to their defense, speak well of them, and interpret everything they do in the best possible light.
The Ninth Commandment You shall not covet your neighbor's house.	<i>What is this? or What does this mean?</i> We are to fear and love God, so that we do not try to trick our neighbors out of their inheritance or property or try to get it for ourselves by claiming to have a legal right to it and the like, but instead be of help and service to them in keeping what is theirs.
The Tenth Commandment You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.	<i>What is this? or What does this mean?</i> We are to fear and love God, so that we do not entice, force, or steal away from our neighbors their spouses, household workers, or livestock, but instead urge them to stay and fulfill their responsibilities to our neighbors.

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6st Commandment _____

What does this mean for us?:

We are to _____ and _____ God, so that we _____

_____.

7th Commandment _____

What does this mean for us?:

We are to _____ and _____ God, so that we neither _____
_____ but instead help them _____
_____.

8th Commandment _____

What does this mean for us?:

We are to _____ and _____ God, so that we do not _____. Instead we are to _____

_____.

9th Commandment _____

What does this mean for us?:

We are to _____ and _____ God, so that we do not _____

_____.

10th Commandment _____

What does this mean for us?:

We are to _____ and _____ God, so that we do not _____ but instead
_____ urge them to stay and fulfill their responsibilities to our neighbors. _____
_____.

From Luther's Small Catechism Explanations to the Apostles' Creed

The First Article: On Creation God, the Father I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.	<i>What is this? or What does this mean?</i> 1) I believe that God has created me together with all that exists. God has given me and still preserves my body and soul: eyes, ears, and all limbs and senses; reason and all mental faculties. 2) In addition, God daily and abundantly provides shoes and clothing, food and drink, house and farm, spouse and children, fields, livestock, and all property—along with all the necessities and nourishment for this body and life. God protects me against all danger and shields and preserves me from all evil. 3) And all this is done out of pure, fatherly, and divine goodness and mercy, without any merit or worthiness of mine at all! For all of this I owe it to God to thank and praise, serve and obey him. This is most certainly true.
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Memory Test
The First Article of the Apostles' Creed

What does this mean for us?

1) I believe that God has created

2) In addition, God daily and abundantly provides _____

—along with all the necessities and nourishment for _____

God protects me _____

3) And all this is done _____

without any _____

For all of this _____

This is _____

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The Second Article: On Redemption God, the Son I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead [<i>or, "he descended into hell," another translation of this text in widespread use</i>]. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.	<i>What is this? or What does this mean?</i> 1) I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father in eternity, and also a true human being, born of the virgin Mary, is my Lord. 2) He has redeemed me, a lost and condemned human being. He has purchased and freed me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil, not with gold or silver but with his holy, precious blood and with his innocent suffering and death. 3) He has done all this in order that I may belong to him, live under him in his kingdom, and serve him in eternal righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as he is risen from the dead and lives and rules eternally. This is most certainly true.
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Memory Test
The Second Article of the Apostles' Creed

1) I believe that Jesus Christ, _____

_____.

2) He has redeemed me, _____.
He has _____

_____, not with _____

_____.

3) He has done all this _____

_____.

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The Third Article: On Being Made Holy <i>God, the Holy Spirit</i> I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.	<i>What is this? or What does this mean?</i> 1) I believe that by my own understanding or strength I cannot believe in Jesus Christ my Lord or come to him, 2) but instead the Holy Spirit has called me through the gospel, enlightened me with his gifts, made me holy and kept me in the true faith, 3) just as he calls, gathers, enlightens, and makes holy the whole Christian church on earth and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one common, true faith. 4) Daily in this Christian church the Holy Spirit abundantly forgives all sins—mine and those of all believers. On the last day the Holy Spirit will raise me and all the dead and will give to me and all believers in Christ eternal life. This is most certainly true.
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Third Memory Test
The ~~S~~ Article of the Apostles' Creed

1) I believe that by _____

2) but instead the Holy Spirit has _____

3) just as he _____

_____ and keeps it _____

4) Daily in this Christian church the Holy Spirit _____

_____ and will give _____

This is _____

From Luther's Small Catechism The Sacrament of Holy Communion

THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR

What is the Sacrament of the Altar?

(1) It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine, instituted by Christ himself for us Christians to eat and to drink.

Where is this written?

The holy evangelists Matthew, Mark, and Luke, and St. Paul write thus:

"In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

What is the benefit of such eating and drinking?

(2) 1) The words "given for you" and "shed for you for the forgiveness of sin" show us that forgiveness of sin, life, and salvation are given to us in the sacrament through these words, 2) because where there is forgiveness of sin, there is also life and salvation.

How can bodily eating and drinking do such a great thing?

(3) Eating and drinking certainly do not do it, but rather the words that are recorded: "given for you" and "shed for you for the forgiveness of sin." 1) These words, when accompanied by the physical eating and drinking, are the essential thing in the sacrament, 2) and whoever believes these very words has what they declare and state, namely, "forgiveness of sin."

Who, then, receives this sacrament worthily?

(4) 1) Fasting and bodily preparation are in fact a fine external discipline, but a person who has faith in these words, "given for you" and "shed for you for the forgiveness of sin," is really worthy and well prepared. 2) However, a person who does not believe these words or doubts them is unworthy and unprepared, because the words 3) "for you" require truly believing hearts.

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Memory Test
The Sacrament of Holy Communion

(1) What Is Holy Communion?

It is the _____
instituted _____
_____.

(2) What Benefits Do We Receive from This Sacrament?

1) The words "given for you" and "shed for you for the forgiveness of sin" show us _____

2) because where _____
_____.

(3) How Can Eating and Drinking Do All This?

Eating and drinking certainly do not do it, _____

1) These words, when _____

2) and whoever _____
_____.

(4) When Is a Person Rightly Prepared to Receive This Sacrament?

1) Fasting and bodily _____, but a person
who has _____
is really _____ and _____.
2) However, a person who _____
_____, because the words
3) "for you" _____.

From Luther's Small Catechism The Sacrament of Holy Communion

THE SACRAMENT OF Holy Baptism

What is baptism?

Baptism is not simply plain water. Instead, it is water used according to God's command and connected with God's word.

What then is this word of God?

Where our Lord Christ says in Matthew 28, "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit."

What gifts or benefits does baptism grant?

1) It brings about forgiveness of sins,
2) redeems from death and the devil,
and 3) gives eternal salvation to all who believe it, as the words and promise of God declare.

What are these words and promise of God?

Where our Lord Christ says in Mark 16, "The one who believes and is baptized will be saved; but the one who does not believe will be condemned."

How can water do such great things?

1) Clearly the water does not do it, but the word of God, which is with and alongside the water, and faith, which trusts this word of God in the water. 2) For without the word of God the water is plain water and not a baptism, but with the word of God it is a baptism, that is, a grace-filled water of life and a "bath of the new birth in the Holy Spirit,"

as St. Paul says to Titus in chapter 3, "through the water of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit. This Spirit he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life. The saying is sure."

What then is the significance of such a baptism with water?

It signifies that the old person in us with all sins and evil desires is 1) to be drowned and die through daily sorrow for sin and through repentance, 2) and on the other hand that daily a new person is to come forth and rise up to live before God in righteousness and purity forever.

Where is this written? St. Paul says in Romans 6, "We were buried with Christ through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life."

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