

Immanuel Lutheran Church
Altamont, Illinois

THE FAMILY ALTAR Year 1

**Bible Readings for the Year
Catechism, Bible Verses, and Hymns to Learn by Heart
For Home devotions, Parochial School,
Confirmation Students, & Home School**

2010-2011

The following Bible passages, hymns, and Catechism readings are the core of what every Christian ought to know. The head of each household should see that the children learn the Bible stories beginning in the early childhood years in preparation for Catechism class with the pastor. It is best to set a time each day to instruct your household in these basic truths.

The Bible readings are arranged thematically based on the Catechism lesson for the week and the Church seasons over a three year period in order to give a basis for understanding the flow of the Bible.

Daily Themes for Prayer

- Sunday: Pray for the joy of the resurrection amongst us: true and godly worship throughout the world; and the faithful preaching and hearing of God's Word.
- Monday: Pray for faith to live in the promises of Holy Baptism; your calling and daily work, for the unemployed; the salvation and well being of our neighbors, for government; and for peace.
- Tuesday: Pray for deliverance against temptation; the addicted and despairing; the tortured and oppressed; and those struggling with sin.
- Wednesday: Pray for marriage and family; living together under the grace of Christ and according to the Word of God; those adults who must raise their children alone; and godly schools, especially ALIS Lutheran School, our church schools, and seminaries.
- Thursday: Pray for the church and her pastors; for missionaries; fruitful and right use of the Lord's Supper.
- Friday: Pray for the preaching of the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ; its spread throughout the whole world and our community; the persecuted.
- Saturday: Pray for faithfulness to the end; the dying; the revival of those who are withering in the faith or have fallen away; receptive hearts for worship and study on the Lord's Day.

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Week 1

Beginning Sunday, September 5

PENTECOST 15

- ❖ Catechism: 1ST and 2ND Commandments, What does this mean?
- ❖ Memory: Deuteronomy 6:4-5 Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength.
- ❖ Hymn: 791 *All People That on Earth Do Dwell, Stanza 1*
- ❖ Psalm 138
- ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - Creation—The First Four Days—Genesis 1:1-19
 - Creation—Days Five and Six—Genesis 1:20-31
 - Creation—The Day of Rest—Genesis 2:1-7
 - Creation—Man and the Garden of Eden—Genesis 2:8-25

Week 2

Beginning Sunday, September 12

PENTECOST 16

- ❖ Catechism: 3RD and 4TH Commandments, What does this mean?
- ❖ Memory: Deuteronomy 6:6-7 These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.
- ❖ Hymn: 791 *All People That on Earth Do Dwell, stanza 2*
- ❖ Psalm 119:105-112
- ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - The Fall of Man into Sin—Genesis 3:1-8
 - the First Promise of Salvation—Genesis 3:8-15
 - The Curse of the Fall—Genesis 3:16-24

Week 3

Beginning Sunday, September 19

PENTECOST 17

- ❖ Catechism: 5TH and 6TH Commandments, What does this mean?
- ❖ Memory: Mark 10:6-8a At the beginning of creation God made them male and female. For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh.
- ❖ Hymn: 791 *All People That on Earth Do Dwell, Stanza 3*
- ❖ Psalm 119:113-120
- ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - Cain Murders His Brother Abel—Genesis 4:1-12
 - The Good Samaritan—Luke 10:25-37
 - Joseph Flees from Adultery—Genesis 39:1-21
 - Jesus Is Tempted by the Devil—Matthew 4:1-11

Week 4

Beginning Sunday, September 26

PENTECOST 18

- ❖ Catechism: 7TH and 8TH Commandments, What does this mean?
- ❖ Memory: Matthew 5:37 Simply let your 'Yes' be 'Yes,' and your 'No,' 'No'; anything beyond this comes from the evil one.
- ❖ Hymn: 791 *All People That on Earth Do Dwell, stanza 4*
- ❖ Psalm 103:1-13
- ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - Abram Gives Lot the Choice of the Land—Genesis 13:1-12
 - Jesus Comes to Zacchaeus' House—Luke 19:1-10
 - Bless Those Who Curse—Matthew 5:33-45
 - Jesus Prays for His Enemies—Luke 23:33-43

- Week 5 Beginning Sunday, October 3 PENTECOST 19
- ❖ Catechism: 9TH and 10TH Commandments, What does this mean?
 - ❖ Memory: Matthew 6:33-34 Seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.
 - ❖ Hymn: 656 *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*, stanza 1
 - ❖ Psalm 27:1-9
 - ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - Ahab Covets Naboth's Vineyard—1 Kings 21:1-16
 - The Fall of Man into Sin—Genesis 3:1-8
 - Confess Christ: Take Up Your Cross and Follow Him—Matthew 10:32-39
 - The Rich Young Ruler—Mark 10:17-31

- Week 6 Beginning Sunday, October 10 PENTECOST 20
- ❖ Catechism: The Close of the Commandments, What does this mean?
 - ❖ Memory: 1 Peter 2:10 Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.
 - ❖ Hymn: 656 *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*, stanza 2
 - ❖ Psalm 25:1-10
 - ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - God's Law Always Threatens and Accuses—Ex. 20:1-3, 18-21; 31:18
 - The Worship of the Golden Calf—Exodus 32:1-14
 - God's Wrath Is Poured Out upon Idol Worshippers—Exodus 32:15-35
 - Jesus Takes the Place of the Guilty—Luke 23:13-25

- Week 7 Beginning Sunday, October 17 PENTECOST 21
- ❖ Catechism: Apostles' Creed: First Article, What does this mean?
 - ❖ Memory: Psalm 33:6 By the word of the LORD were the heavens made, their starry host by the breath of his mouth.
 - ❖ Hymn: 656 *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*, stanza 3
 - ❖ Psalm 118:19-24
 - ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - The Rebellion of Absalom—2 Samuel 15-18 (selections)
 - Ruth and Her Kinsman Redeemer-The Book of Ruth (selections)

- Week 8 Beginning Sunday, October 24 PENTECOST 22
- ❖ Catechism: Apostles' Creed: First Article, What does this mean?
 - ❖ Memory: John 1:1-3 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made.
 - ❖ Hymn: 656 *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*, stanza 4
 - ❖ Psalm 23
 - ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - The Three Men in the Fiery Furnace—Daniel 3:1-28
 - Daniel and the Lion's Den—Daniel 6:1-23
 - Jesus Prays in the Garden of Gethsemane—Matthew 26:36-46

- Week 9 Beginning Sunday, October 31 REFORMATION
- ❖ Catechism: Apostles' Creed: Second Article, What does this mean?
 - ❖ Memory: John 1:14 The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.
 - ❖ Hymn: 556 *Dear Christians, One and All Rejoice* stanza 1
 - ❖ Psalm 46
 - ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - Cain Murders Abel and the Birth of Seth—Genesis 4:1-18, 25-26
 - The Flood—The Wickedness of Man and god's Judgment—Genesis 6:5-22
 - The Flood—The Rains Fall for Forty Days and Forty Nights—Genesis 7:1-24
 - The Flood—The Lord Remembers Noah—Genesis 8:1-22
- Week 10 Beginning Sunday, November 7 PENTECOST 24 (All Saints, Nov. 1)
- ❖ Catechism: Apostles' Creed: Second Article, What does this mean?
 - ❖ Memory: John 3:16 God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.
 - ❖ Hymn: 571 *God Loved the World so that He Gave*, stanza 1
 - ❖ Psalm 119:137-144
 - ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - The Flood—The Promise of the Rainbow—Genesis 9:1-17
 - The Tower of Babel—Genesis 11:1-9
 - The Call of Abram—Genesis 11:1-9
- Week 11 Beginning Sunday, November 14 PENTECOST 25
- ❖ Catechism: Apostles' Creed: Third Article, What does this mean?
 - ❖ Memory: John 6:63 The Spirit gives life; the flesh counts for nothing. The words I have spoken to you are spirit and they are life.
 - ❖ Hymn: 571 *God Loved the World so that He Gave*, stanza 2
 - ❖ Psalm 105:1-7
 - ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - Abram and Lot—Genesis 13:1-18
 - Abram Rescues Lot and Pays a Tithe to Melchizedek—Genesis 14:8-23
 - God's Covenant with Abram—The Promise of a Son—Genesis 15:1-6
- Week 12 Beginning Sunday, November 21 LAST SUNDAY IN CHURCH YEAR
(THANKSGIVING)
- ❖ Catechism: Apostles' Creed: Third Article, What does this mean?
 - ❖ Memory: Ephesians 2:5 Even when we were dead in our trespasses, God made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved.
 - ❖ Hymn: 571 *God Loved the World so that He Gave*, stanza 3
 - ❖ Psalm 130
 - ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - Hagar and Ishmael—Genesis 16:1-16
 - Circumcision—Sign of the Covenant; Abram's Name Change—Gen. 17:1-11
 - Sarai's Name is Changed to Sarah—Genesis 17:15-27
 - The Three Visitors—Genesis 18:1-15

- Vacation Beginning Sunday, November 28 ADVENT 1
- ❖ Catechism: Lord's Prayer: Introduction and First Petition, What does this mean?
 - ❖ Memory: 1 John 3:2 Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when he appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.
 - ❖ Hymn: 571 *God Loved the World so that He Gave*, stanza 4
 - ❖ Psalm 50:1-15
 - ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - Abraham Prays for Sodom—Genesis 18:16-33
 - Sodom and Gomorrah Are Destroyed—Genesis 19:1, (2-11), 12-29
 - Abraham and Abimelech—Genesis 20:1-18

- Week 13 Beginning Sunday, December 5 ADVENT 2
- ❖ Catechism: Lord's Prayer: Second Petition, What does this mean?
 - ❖ Memory: 1 Peter 5:7-8 Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you. Be self-controlled and alert. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour.
 - ❖ Hymn: 343 *Prepare the Royal Highway*, stanza 1
 - ❖ Psalm 72:1-14
 - ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - Isaac is Born and Ishmael Is Cast Out—Genesis 21:1-21
 - The Sacrifice of Isaac—Abraham's Faith Is Revealed—Genesis 22:1-19

- Week 14 Beginning Sunday, December 12 ADVENT 3
- ❖ Catechism: Lord's Prayer: Third Petition
 - ❖ Memory: 1 Timothy 2:4 God wants all men to be saved and to come to knowledge of the truth.
 - ❖ Hymn: 343 *Prepare the Royal Highway*, stanza 2
 - ❖ Psalm 146
 - ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - Abraham Sends for a Bride for Isaac—Genesis 24:1-24
 - Rebecca—Genesis 24:29, (30-31), 32-38, (39-41), 42-49, (50-57), 58-67
 - Jacob and Esau—Esau Sells His Birthright—Genesis 25:19-34
 - Isaac Blesses Jacob—Genesis 27:1-29

- Vacation Beginning Sunday, December 19 ADVENT 4
- ❖ Catechism: Review: Commandments 1-5
 - ❖ Memory: Isaiah 9:6 For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.
 - ❖ Hymn: 387 *Joy to the World*
 - ❖ Psalm 24
 - ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - The Visitation—Luke 1:39-56
 - The Nativity of St. John the Baptist—Luke 1:57-80-
 - The Nativity of Our Lord—Luke 2:1-7
 - The Birth of Christ is Announced to Shepherds—Luke 2:8-14

Vacation Beginning Sunday, December 26 Christmas1 /St. Stephen

- ❖ Catechism: Review Commandments 6-10
- ❖ Memory: Luke 2:11-12 Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord. This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.
- ❖ Hymn: 387 *Joy to the World*
- ❖ Psalm 111
- ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - Gabriel Appears to Zechariah—Luke 1:5-25
 - The Annunciation—Luke 1:26-38
 - Christ Birth is Foretold to Joseph—Matthew 1:18-25

Week 15 Beginning Sunday, January 2, 2011 CHRISTMAS 2

- ❖ Catechism: Lord's Prayer: Fourth Petition
- ❖ Memory: 1 Timothy 6:8, 10a But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil.
- ❖ Hymn: 343 *Prepare the Royal Highway*, stanza 3
- ❖ Psalm 72:1-7
- ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - The Shepherds Visit Bethlehem—Luke 2:1-20
 - Circumcision, Purification of Mary, and Presentation—Luke 2:21-24
 - Simeon and Anna Receive the Christ Child-0-Luke 2:25-40
 - The Epiphany of Our Lord—Matthew 2:1-12

Week 16 Beginning Sunday, January 9 EPIPHANY1/BAPTISM OF JESUS

- ❖ Catechism: Lord's Prayer: Fifth Petition
- ❖ Memory: Psalm 51:5 Surely I was a sinner at birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me.
- ❖ Hymn: 412 *The People That in Darkness Sat*, stanza 1
- ❖ Psalm 147:12-20
- ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - The Flight into Egypt—Matthew 2:13-15
 - The Slaughter of the Holy Innocents—Matthew 2:16-23

Week 17 Beginning Sunday, January 16 EPIPHANY 2

- ❖ Catechism: Lord's Prayer: Sixth Petition
- ❖ Memory: Matthew 7:7-8 Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened.
- ❖ Hymn: 412 *The People That in Darkness Sat*, stanza 2
- ❖ Psalm 45:7-9
- ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - The Boy Jesus in the Temple—Luke 2:41-52
 - John the Baptist Prepares the Way of the Lord—Matthew 3:1-12
 - The Baptism of Our Lord—Matthew 3:13-17

- Week 18 Beginning Sunday, January 23 EPIPHANY 3
- ❖ Catechism: Lord's Prayer: Seventh Petition and Conclusion
 - ❖ Memory: Luke 11:28 "Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it."
 - ❖ Hymn: 412 *The People That in Darkness Sat*, stanza 3
 - ❖ Psalm 92:1-5
 - ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - Esau Does Not Receive the Blessing—Genesis 27:30-45
 - Jacob searches for a Wife; Heaven Is Opened at Bethel—Gen. 27:46-28:22

- Week 19 Beginning Sunday, January 30 EPIPHANY 4
- ❖ Catechism: What is Baptism? Which is the Word of God? What Benefits does Baptism Give? Which are the Words and Promises of God?
 - ❖ Memory: Acts 2:38-39a Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise is for you and your children..."
 - ❖ Hymn: 412 *The People That in Darkness Sat*, stanza 4
 - ❖ Psalm 27:1-9
 - ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - Jacob Marries Leah and Rachel—Genesis 29:1-30
 - The Children of Jacob—Genesis 29:31-30:24
 - Laban Agrees to Divide the Livestock with Jacob—Genesis 30:25-43

- Week 20 Beginning Sunday, February 6 EPIPHANY 5
- ❖ Catechism: How Can Water do such Great Things?
 - ❖ Memory: 1 Peter 3:18 "For Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but made alive by the Spirit."
 - ❖ Hymn: 685 *Let us Ever Walk with Jesus*, stanza 1
 - ❖ Psalm 1
 - ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - Jacob Flees from Laban—Genesis 31:1-21
 - Laban Pursues Jacob—Genesis 31:22-42
 - Laban's Covenant with Jacob—Genesis 31:43-55

- Week 21 Beginning Sunday, February 13 EPIPHANY 6
- ❖ Catechism: What does such baptizing with water indicate? Where is this written?
 - ❖ Memory: Galatians 2:20 I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.
 - ❖ Hymn: 685 *Let us Ever Walk with Jesus*, stanza 2
 - ❖ Psalm 2:6-12
 - ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - Esau Comes to Meet Jacob—Genesis 32:1-21
 - Jacob Wrestles with God—Genesis 32:22-32
 - Jacob and Esau Meet—Genesis 33:1-11
 - Jacob Returns to Bethel—Genesis 35:1-15

- Week 22 Beginning Sunday, February 20 EPIPHANY 7
- ❖ Catechism: What is Confession? What sins should we confess? Which are these?
 - ❖ Memory: Psalm 51:17 The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.
 - ❖ Hymn: 685 *Let us Ever Walk with Jesus*, stanza 3
 - ❖ Psalm 130
 - ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - Jacob Returns to Isaac His Father—Genesis 35:16-20, 22b-29
 - Joseph's Dream—His Brothers Sell Him into Slavery—Genesis 37:1-36
 - Joseph is a Slave in Egypt—Genesis 39:1-23
 - Joseph Interprets Dreams in Prison—Genesis 40:1-23
- Week 23 Beginning Sunday, February 27 EPIPHANY 8
- ❖ Catechism: What is the Office of the Keys? Where is this written? What do you believe according to these Words?
 - ❖ Memory: Acts 2:41a, 42 Those who accepted his message were baptized... They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.
 - ❖ Hymn: 685 *Let us Ever Walk with Jesus*, stanza 4
 - ❖ Psalm 105:4-11
 - ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - Joseph Interprets Pharaoh's Dreams—Genesis 41:1-36
 - Joseph Becomes the Prince of Egypt—Genesis 41:37-57
 - Joseph's Brothers Journey to Egypt to Buy Food—Genesis 42:1-24
 - Joseph Feeds His Brothers and Sends Them to Their Father—Gen. 42:25-38
- Week 24 Beginning Sunday, March 6 TRANSFIGURATION/ASH WED.
- ❖ Catechism: What is the Sacrament of the Altar? Where is this written?
 - ❖ Memory: John 6:35 I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never go hungry, and he who believes in me will never be thirsty.
 - ❖ Hymn: 420 *Christ, the Life of All the Living*, stanza 1
 - ❖ Psalm 142
 - ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - Palm Sunday—Matthew 21:1-17
 - Jesus Is Anointed at Bethany—Matthew 26:2-16
 - Jesus Celebrates the Passover—Matthew 26:17-35
 - In the Garden of Gethsemane—Matthew 26:36-56
- Week 25 Beginning Sunday, March 13 LENT 1
- ❖ Catechism: What is the benefit of this eating and drinking? How can bodily eating and drinking do such great things?
 - ❖ Memory: 1 Corinthians 15:51-52 Listen, I tell you a mystery: We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed-- in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed.
 - ❖ Hymn: 420 *Christ, the Life of All the Living*, stanza 2
 - ❖ Psalm 138

- ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - Jesus Faces the Sanhedrin—Matthew 26:57-75
 - Judas Hangs Himself; Jesus Faces Pontius Pilate—Matthew 27:1-26
 - The King of the Jews is Mocked—Matthew 27:27-44
 - Jesus' Death and Burial—Matthew 27:45-66

Week 26 Beginning Sunday, March 20 LENT 2

- ❖ Catechism: Who receives this sacrament worthily?
- ❖ Memory: Psalm 119:105 Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.
- ❖ Hymn: 420 *Christ, the Life of All the Living*, stanza 3
- ❖ Psalm 116:1-9
- ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - Jesus Is Anointed at Bethany—John 12:1-11
 - Palm Sunday—John 12:12-26
 - Jesus Washes the Disciples' Feet—John 13:1-20
 - A New Commandment Is Given—John 13:21-38

Week 27 Beginning Sunday, March 27 LENT 3

- ❖ Catechism: Table of Duties: to Bishops, Pastors and Preachers
- ❖ Memory: 1 Corinthians 15:3-4 What I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures
- ❖ Hymn: 420 *Christ, the Life of All the Living*, stanza 4
- ❖ Psalm 92
- ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - Jesus' Betrayal and Arrest—John 18:1-27
 - Jesus Faces Pontius Pilate—John 18:28-40
 - Jesus Is Crucified—John 19:1-24
 - Jesus' Side is Pierced—John 19:25-42

Week 28 Beginning Sunday, April 3 LENT 4

- ❖ Catechism: What the Hearers owe their Pastors (first three readings)
- ❖ Memory: Psalm 119:105 Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.
- ❖ Hymn: 436 *Go to Dark Gethsemane*, stanza 1
- ❖ Psalm 118:1-2; 15-24
- ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - The Resurrection of Our Lord—Matthew 28:1-15
 - On the Road to Emmaus—Luke 24:13-35
 - Jesus Eats Broiled Fish—Luke 24:33-49
 - Jesus Ordains the Apostles—John 20:19-31

Week 29 Beginning Sunday, April 10 LENT 5

- ❖ Catechism: What the Hearers owe their Pastors (last two readings)
- ❖ Memory: Psalm 26:8 I love the house where you live, O LORD, the place where your glory dwells.
- ❖ Hymn: 436 *Go to Dark Gethsemane*, stanza 2
- ❖ Psalm 105:1-7

- ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - Benjamin Returns with His Brothers to Egypt—Genesis 43:1-34
 - Joseph's Cup Is Found in Benjamin's Sack—Genesis 44:1-17
 - Judah Intercedes for Benjamin before Joseph—Genesis 44:18—45:3
 - Joseph Forgives His Brothers—Genesis 45:4-28

Week 30 Beginning Sunday, April 17 PALM SUNDAY/HOLY WEEK

- ❖ Catechism: Of Civil Government
- ❖ Memory: Luke 10:2 He told them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.”
- ❖ Hymn: 436 *Go to Dark Gethsemane*, stanza 3
- ❖ Psalm 16
- ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - Jacob Journeys to Egypt to See Joseph—Genesis 46:1-27
 - Jacob Settles in the Land of Goshen—Genesis 46:28—47:12
 - Joseph's Vow to Jacob and Jacob Blesses Joseph's Sons—Genesis 47:27—48:21

Week 31 Beginning Sunday, April 24 EASTER

- ❖ Catechism: Of Citizens (first three readings)
- ❖ Memory: 2 Corinthians 12:9 My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me.
- ❖ Hymn: 436 *Go to Dark Gethsemane*, stanza 4
- ❖ Psalm 23
- ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - Jacob Blesses His Sons Before He Dies—Genesis 49:1, (2-27), 28-50:14
 - Joseph continues to Show Mercy to His Brothers—Genesis 50:15-26
 - The Birth of Moses—Exodus 1:1-2:10

Week 32 Beginning Sunday, May 1 EASTER 1

- ❖ Catechism: To Husbands
- ❖ Memory: Job 19:25-26
- ❖ Hymn: 633 *At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing*, stanza 1
- ❖ Psalm 146
- ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - Moses Flees to Midian—Exodus 2:11-25
 - I AM Appears in the Burning Bush—Exodus 3:1-17
 - The Lord Goes with Moses to Egypt—Exodus 4:1-31

Week 33 Beginning Sunday, May 8 EASTER 2

- ❖ Catechism: To Wives
- ❖ Memory: Matthew 10:32-33 “Whoever acknowledges me before men, I will also acknowledge him before my Father in heaven. But whoever disowns me before men, I will disown him before my Father in heaven.”
- ❖ Hymn: 633 *At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing*, stanza 2
- ❖ Psalm 98

- ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - Breakfast by the Sea of Tiberius—John 21:1-14
 - Jesus Restores Peter—John 21:15-25
 - The Great Commission—Matthew 28:16-20
 - The Ascension of Our Lord—Acts 1:1-14

Week 34 Beginning Sunday, May 15 EASTER 3

- ❖ Catechism: To Parents, To Children
- ❖ Memory: John 11:25-29 "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. "
- ❖ Hymn: 633 *At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing*, stanza 3
- ❖ Psalm 133
- ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - Matthias Is Chosen to Fill Judas' Office—Acts 1:12-26
 - The Feast of Pentecost—Acts 2:1-13
 - Peter's Sermon on the Prophet Joel—Acts 2:14-21

Week 35 Beginning Sunday, May 22 EASTER 4

- ❖ Catechism: To Workers of All Kinds
- ❖ Memory: Proverbs 3:11-12 Do not despise the Lord's discipline and do not resent his rebuke, because the LORD disciplines those he loves, as a father the son he delights in.
- ❖ Hymn: 633 *At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing*, stanza 4
- ❖ Psalm 143
- ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - Peter Calls the Church to Repentance—Acts 2:22-36
 - The Life of the Church—Acts 2:37-47

Week 36 Beginning Sunday, May 29 EASTER 5/ASCENSION

- ❖ Catechism: To Employers and Supervisors, To Youth
- ❖ Memory: Mark 10:45 The Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.
- ❖ Hymn: 633 *At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing*, stanza 5
- ❖ Psalm 135
- ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - Moses goes to Pharaoh—Exodus 5:1-23
 - The Lord Promises Deliverance—Exodus 6:1-13
 - The Lord Gives Signs—Exodus 6:28-7:24

Summer 1 Beginning Sunday, June 5 EASTER 6

- ❖ Catechism: To Widows; To Everyone
- ❖ Memory: Philippians 1:21 For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain.
- ❖ Psalm 4
- ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - The Plagues—Exodus 8:1-4, 13-25, 32; 9:1-4, 7-35; 10:3-6, 20-29
 - The Death of the Firstborn Is Announced—Exodus 11:1-10
 - The Passover is Instituted—Exodus 12:1-14

- Summer 2 Beginning Sunday, June 12 EASTER 7
- ❖ Catechism: Review: Apostle's Creed, First Article, What does this mean?
 - ❖ Memory: John 14:2-3 "In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am."
 - ❖ Psalm 119:65-72
 - ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - The Death of the Firstborn—Exodus 12:21-30
 - The Exodus--Exodus 12:31-42
 - Israel Journeys to the Red Sea—Exodus 13:17-14:9
- Summer 3 Beginning Sunday, June 19 PENTECOST
- ❖ Catechism: Review: Apostle's Creed, Second Article, What does this mean?
 - ❖ Memory: Mark 10:14-15 "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. I tell you the truth, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it."
 - ❖ Psalm 100
 - ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - The Lord Fights for Israel—Exodus 14:10-31
 - The Song of Moses—Exodus 15:1-19
 - The Bread from Heaven—Exodus 16:1-35
 - The Water From the Rock—Exodus 17:1-7
- Summer 4 Beginning Sunday, June 26 PENTECOST 5
- ❖ Catechism: Review: Apostle's Creed, Third Article, What does this mean?
 - ❖ Memory: Galatians 3:26-27 You are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus, for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.
 - ❖ Psalm 91
 - ❖ Bible Readings for the Week:
 - The Advice of Jethro, the Father-in-Law of Moses—Exodus 18:1-27
 - Israel Encamps at Mount Sinai—Exodus 19:1-25
 - The Lord Gives the Ten Commandments—Exodus 20:1-21
 - The Lord Makes His Covenant with Israel—Exodus 23:20-24:8
- Summer 5 Beginning Sunday, July 3 PENTECOST 6
- ❖ Catechism: Review: Lord's Prayer, Introduction
 - ❖ Memory: James 5:16 Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective.
 - ❖ Psalm 119:153-160
- Summer 6 Beginning Sunday, July 10 PENTECOST 7
- ❖ Catechism: Review: Lord's Prayer, First & Second Petition
 - ❖ Memory: Psalm 103:1-3 Praise the LORD, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name. Praise the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits- who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases.
 - ❖ Psalm 119: 137-144
- Summer 7 Beginning Sunday, July 17 PENTECOST 8
- ❖ Catechism: Review: Lord's Prayer, Third Petition

- ❖ Memory: Jeremiah 31:34b "For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more."
- ❖ Psalm 65

Summer 8 Beginning Sunday, July 24 PENTECOST 9

- ❖ Catechism: Review: Lord's Prayer, Fourth Petition
- ❖ Memory: 1 Corinthians 10:4 They drank the same spiritual drink; for they drank from the spiritual rock that accompanied them, and that rock was Christ.
- ❖ Psalm 119:57-64

Summer 9 Beginning Sunday, July 31 PENTECOST 10

- ❖ Catechism: Review: Lord's Prayer, Fifth and Sixth Petition
- ❖ Memory: John 6:54 Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day.
- ❖ Psalm 119:129-136

Summer 10 Beginning Sunday, August 7 PENTECOST 11

- ❖ Catechism: Review: Lord's Prayer, Seventh Petition and Conclusion
- ❖ Memory: Isaiah 55:11 So is my word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it.
- ❖ Psalm 136:1-9, 23-26

Summer 11 Beginning Sunday, August 14 PENTECOST 12

- ❖ Catechism: Review: Baptism Part 1
- ❖ Memory: Psalm 27:4 One thing I ask of the LORD, this is what I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to seek him in his temple.
- ❖ Psalm 28

Summer 12 Beginning Sunday August 21 PENTECOST 13

- ❖ Catechism: Review: Baptism Part 2
- ❖ Psalm 67
- ❖ Memory: Romans 8:18 I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us.

Summer 13 Beginning Sunday, August 28 PENTECOST 14

- ❖ Catechism: Review: Baptism Part 3
- ❖ Memory: Psalm 118:8 It is better to take refuge in the LORD than to trust in man.
- ❖ Psalm 138