

ORIENTATION FOR CATECHISM

- I. Welcome, Introductions, and Prayer.
- II. The importance of catechism--high priority.
 - A. Memory Work
 - B. Discussion
 - C. Participation
 - D. Meet in Youth Room
 - E. Workbook
- III. **Requirements** for confirmation: (Please note: **Confirmation is not automatic**)
 - A. Faithful worship attendance (at least twice a month).
 - B. Regular attendance at catechism classes.
 - C. Sermon Reports – 7 for 1st year, and 9 for the 2nd year (average of 1 per month)
 - D. Turn in workbook weekly, which is signed by parent.
 - E. Completion of memory work:
 1. The Ten Commandments and their explanations.
 2. The three Articles of the Apostles' Creed and their explanations.
 3. All the books of the Bible, and Genesis 1:1 and John 3:16.
 4. Catechism questions and their answers:
 - a) "What does God teach and do in the Gospel?" (question #8, p. 51);
 - b) "What are good works in God's sight?" (question #163, p. 150);
 - c) "What is a Sacrament?" (question #236, p. 197);
 - d) "What does Christ give us in this sacrament?" (question #387, p. 229);
 - e) Martin Luther Morning and Evening Prayers (p. 32 & 33)
 5. vi) 2nd Year Personal interview with the pastor. (Memory work, questions)
- IV. 4. Parents participation.
 - A. Pray for the students and me.
 - B. Show interest in Catechism.
 - C. Help with the memory work.
 - D. Sign the quizzes, assignments, mid-term, and final.
 - E. Be an example in worship and Bible study attendance. (If you're in worship and Bible study, so will your children be in worship and Bible class.)
 - F. Regularly Check student progress on Class Room Dojo.
- V. 5. Class Schedule
 - A. 4:00-4:15 Prayer and Memory Work Review
 - B. 4:15-4:30 Memory Work and possible Short Quiz.
 - C. 4:30-4:45 Bible Story
 - D. 4:45-5:00 Bible Reading
 - E. 5:15-5:30 Questions and Answers / Word Study
 - F. 5:30-5:50 Workbook
 - G. 5:50-6:00 Grade Workbook and dismissal

VI. Class rules.

- A. I expect the students attention and good behavior (no passing notes, no cell phones, no whispering and talking, etc.)
- B. No food, or gum. Unless supplied by the pastor.

VII. Confirmation Sunday will be late May to mid June (exact date to be announced January/February).

VIII. Fees: A modest fee due in the Spring to cover cost of altar flowers, corsages/boutonnieres, confirmation dinner, etc.. A coordinator with helpers will be requested (manual provided).

IX. Questions

X. Closing prayer